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6.1 REVIEW OF CORE STRATEGY POLICIES, TO ENABLE NEW OFFICE DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

A copy of the report is attached. Also attached is the signed record of the City Mayor's recommendation to Full Council.

The Council is recommended to agree the City Mayor's recommendation, that the proposed Core Strategy Policy changes, regarding new office development and employment and training opportunities shown in Appendix 1 to the report to Council, can be incorporated to form the final 'submission' documents, to be sent to the Planning Inspector to make a decision, after a further statutory 6 week 'Submission Consultation'.

A minute extract of Economic Development, Transport and Tourism meeting held on 4 September 2013 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

6.2 BID FOR UK CITY OF CULTURE 2017

A copy of the report is attached.

The Council is recommended to:

- (i) endorse Leicester's bid to be UK City of Culture 2017 recognising the cultural, economic and social benefits to the city.
- (ii) confirm the revenue and capital commitments made by the Council in support of the programme as detailed in section 3.1 of the report, which will be factored in to the Council's medium term financial strategy and future years' revenue budget and capital programme
- (iii) note that the Council takes responsibility for the delivery of the programme, including underwriting key events and associated activities to ensure their successful delivery
- (iv) note the work to put in place robust delivery and governance mechanisms as detailed in section 4.6 of the report; and
- (v) note the emerging legacy proposals set out in the benefits section 4.4 of the report.

A minute extract of the Heritage, Leisure and Sport meeting held on 10 September 2013 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

Sir Peter Soulsby City Mayor