Minutes of The Oldway Mansion and Grounds Steering Group (Working Party)

12 June 2023

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Councillors Billings, Johns, Barbara Lewis, Maddison and Virdee

Invited External Advisors: Jacob Brandon, Iris Butler, Louise Gilson, Kathy Hughes, Mary Jenkins and Jo Jones

(Also in attendance: Councillor Chris Lewis, Councillor Swithin Long, Councillor Nigel Penny, Councillor David Thomas, Councillor Jacqueline Thomas and Councillor Alan Tyerman)

354. Election of Chairperson

Councillor Maddison was elected the Chairwoman for The Oldway Mansion and Grounds Steering Group (Working Party).

355. Welcome and Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Tim Eley.

356. Terms of Reference and Invited External Advisors

The Director of Pride in Place read out the Terms of Reference for the working party which had been agreed by Council on 25 June 2023. Members requested the Director of Pride in Place consider whether number 6 was still relevant.

357. Frequency of Meetings and Work Programme

The frequency of the meetings of The Oldway Mansion and Grounds Steering Group (Working Party) and work programme were noted.

358. Project Directors Report

The Director of Pride in Place presented the report compiled by the Project Director. The Director Pride in Place highlighted the significant costs that would be required to get Oldway to a point where the building could be used.

The Project Directors report stressed that the first phase of the formative consultation was intended to test the emerging vision and how it aligned with the public's priorities to inform the masterplan. The next stage would be to analyse the

consultation results. These results will inform the further development of the masterplan including recommendations for a phased approach to work over the next decade.

The Steering Group were informed that it was hoped that a detailed report on the opportunities for the rotunda, together with viability testing, funding opportunities as well as the development of a business plan would be available in August.

359. AOB

Contact with the Council – in response to a suggestion of there being a single point of contact within the Council, the Director of Pride in Place sought for queries to be raised with him in the first instance.

Chairman