

## DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
HEAD OF PROJECTS AND REGENERATION	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	21 MARCH 2023	7
<b>ST ANNES PROGRAMME BOARD – CLOSURE REPORT</b>			

### PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

### SUMMARY

The current term of office for the council will end in May 2023 with the Borough elections and the return of a new group of elected members. The Boundary Commission Review means that there will be a reduction in the number of elected members from 51 to 37 and the governance review undertaken in response to the reduced membership of the council will see the creation of an executive policy committee and scrutiny arrangements. The council from May 2023 will have new governance that will require different working arrangements. At the final meeting of each committee for the current term of office the working groups and boards that have been established and appointed by the committee will be formally closed and disbanded where appropriate to create the opportunity for the new council to review and determine the most appropriate arrangements under the new governance structure.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

That the committee disband the St Annes Programme Board and acknowledges the work of the members of the Board has undertaken to establish a long-term vision for the regeneration of St Annes.

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Finance and Democracy established the St Annes Programme Board by decision item in June 2021. The Programme Board superseded the previously established 'Island Regeneration Working Group'.

### CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Economy – To create a vibrant and healthy economy	✓
Environment – To deliver services customers expect	✓
Efficiency – By spending money in the most efficient way	✓
Tourism – To create a great place to live and visit	✓

### REPORT

- The St Annes Programme Board was established in June 2021 by this committee. The purpose of the group as referred to in the agreed terms of reference are:
  - Provide a strategic approach to the development of the St Anne's Town Centre and Island Masterplan.

- Ensure that a strategic approach is taken to the development of the Island site masterplan to incorporate the new hard sea defences in a sympathetic manner with regards to the wider landscaping and public realm, whilst maximising the opportunities the replacement sea defences present to the development of the site and facilities on offer.
  - Provide strategic direction to the St Anne's Seawall project board on key facilities e.g. lake, RNLI building, swimming pool, car park and additional facilities that will add to south promenade, for example shelters, kiosk, toilets, outdoor shower, etc.
2. Since June 2021, the Programme Board has been instrumental in sponsoring and steering the preparation of the St Annes Masterplan. This includes the successful application to Lancashire County Council for a £120,000 grant via the Lancashire Economic Recovery Grant scheme, to part fund the commission.
  3. The Programme Board has since provided vital input and strategic leadership through the consultation process, resulting in the completion of the Masterplan in June 2022, leading to a £14.6m application to Government for Round 2 Levelling Up Funding in Summer 2022. Although the bid was ultimately unsuccessful, the agreed Masterplan provides a key strategic document that is available to use as the basis for any available funding opportunities in the future.
  4. The St Annes Programme Board are thanked for their hard work, dedication, and contribution to the regeneration of St Annes. In summary it is recommended that the St Annes Programme Board is disbanded and that governance arrangements for the regeneration programme are considered and agreed under the new administration.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.
Legal	There are no legal implications
Community Safety	There are no community safety implications
Human Rights and Equalities	There are no human rights or equalities implications
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	There are no sustainability or environmental implications
Health & Safety and Risk Management	There are no health & safety or risk management implications

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Finance and Democracy Committees	Various dates / most meetings	<a href="http://www.fylde.gov.uk">www.fylde.gov.uk</a>