

**CITY CENTRE DEVELOPMENT
SUB-COMMITTEE**

15 May 2002
(4.00pm – 5.06pm)

PRESENT: Councillors C. Rosenstiel (Chair), Bradnack, Dixon, Knowles.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL

02/k/07 **MINUTES**

The Sub-Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 26 February 2002 as a correct record which were signed by the Chair.

02/k/08 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bagnall and Nimmo-Smith.

02/k/09 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Dixon declared a personal interest under the Code of Conduct for Councillors as he was a recipient of a pension from the Universities Superannuation Scheme.

02/k/10 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

No members of the public wished to address the Sub-Committee.

02/k/11 **GRAND ARCADE – UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS
COVERING CAR PARK CLOSURE, COMPULSORY
PURCHASE ORDER TIMETABLE AND BURLEIGH STREET
PLANNING APPLICATION**

Members were provided with an extract from the current draft of the Statement of Reasons which is interleaved with these minutes, summarising the current phasing arrangements. Members supported the recommendation that the developers request to extend the car park closure period should be resisted and requested that officers enquire of the developers the assumptions made for some of the periods of closure as detailed in paragraph 5.4. as follows:

- 1) Why the period from closing the car park to completion of demolition in readiness for the archaeological investigation is actually five months in the timetable given.
- 2) Why archaeology is expected to take three months.
- 3) Why the refurbishment of the Annexe Car Park will take eight months and why that refurbishment requires the whole of the Annexe Car Park to be closed.

- 4) What practical arrangements are in place to ensure that the package of mitigation measures proposed in the 106 agreement will actually be implemented, in particular in terms of enhanced bus services. This is of course an issue which JLP have also raised and is connected to the enhanced shuttle bus service to be provided as part of their relocation package.

Members were also concerned that the information on the closure, once agreed was effectively communicated and that users would be alerted to the alternatives car parks etc.

Resolved -

- 1) That subject to any decision taken by the Council at its meeting on 23 May, the decision making process outlined in paragraph 4.4 is confirmed as the most appropriate for considering whether or not the Council should exercise its CPO powers to facilitate the Grand Arcade development;
- 2) That officers resist the proposed car park closure periods set out in paragraph 5.4 and request that the periods currently set out in the draft Development Agreement remain unchanged.

02/k/12 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC**

The Sub-Committee agreed to exclude members of the press and public from the meeting on the grounds that if they were present there would be disclosure to them of information defined as exempt from publication by paragraph 12 of Part 1 Schedule 12 (a) of the Local Government Act 1972.

02/k/13 **GRAND ARCADE – ISSUES CONCERNING JOHN LEWIS PARTNERSHIP**

Members agreed that further consideration be given to making a contribution for upgrading Fitzroy and Burleigh Streets as detailed in the report.

Resolved

- 1) That either the Executive Councillor for Environment or the Leader be asked to consider whether monies should be allocated to the scheme for upgrading Fitzroy/Burleigh Streets in 2003/04 and/or 2004/05. The contribution to any scheme to be a maximum of £50,000 in total.
- 2) That a contribution be dependent on:
 - a) Establishment of a Project Board (similar to Bridge Street) comprising the main property owners, City and County Council officers and local councilors (and others as may be agreed).
 - b) A comprehensive consultation process being undertaken before any scheme is formally adopted.

02/k/14 **GRAND ARCADE – ISSUES CONCERNING THIRD PARTY
LEASE AGREEMENTS INCLUDING API AND THE CROWNE
PLAZA**

Resolved –

That officers approach USS/GDL and request formal proposals for any new lease structure to be submitted in time for members at the next meeting of the (Scrutiny) Committee.

The meeting ended at 5.04pm

CHAIR