(c) That the proposed responses to the consultation exercises at appendices 3, 4 and 5 to the report be recommended to Council as its response to matters raised in consultation.

(The matters referred to in this minute, being decisions reserved to Council, were not eligible for Call In)

145 Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement 2005/06

The Director of Corporate Services submitted a report on the provisional Local Authority Revenue Finance Settlement for 2005/06 which was announced on 2nd December 2004.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted and that a further report be brought to the Board after the announcement of the final settlement, expected at the end of January 2005.

DEVELOPMENT

146 Wellington Road, Armley - Proposed Bus Lane

The Directors of Development and City Services submitted a joint report on the proposed implementation of a scheme to introduce a bus and cycle only lane on the B6154 Wellington Road, Armley from Sutherland Street to its junction with Armley Gyratory.

RESOLVED – That the Wellington Road Bus Lane proposal as shown on drawing number TF34/265/2a be approved and authority be given to incur expenditure of £651,950 on the scheme.

147 St Ann's Mills and Abbey Mills

The Director of Development submitted a report on proposals regarding the refurbishment / remodelling of Council property at Abbey Mills and St Ann's Mills, Kirkstall, so as to assist in the regeneration of the Kirkstall Valley.

The report examined the options of retention and refurbishment of both buildings, disposal of both or the disposal of one with reinvestment of the capital receipt in the other and concluded in favour of disposal of Abbey Mills and refurbishment of St Ann's Mills.

An appendix to the report on specific issues relating to one of the tenants of St Ann's Mills was designated as exempt under Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(9) and this was considered after the exclusion of the public (minute 161 refers).

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the following basis for the refurbishment/remodelling of the Abbey Mills and St Ann's Mills sites, be agreed:
 - (i) The retention of small industrial units in the Kirkstall Valley at the St Ann's Mills site.
 - (ii) The opening of formal negotiations with the tenants of Abbey Mills regarding relocation to St Ann's Mills.
 - (iii) The marketing and disposal of Abbey Mills.
 - (iv) The ring-fencing of the Council's element of the Abbey Mills capital receipt to the refurbishment of St Ann's Mills.

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- (v) Negotiations with the NW ALMO regarding the entitlement of the ALMO to a share of the capital receipt from the Abbey Mills site.
- (vi) Consultation with the Kirkstall community regarding the preferred form of public realm works at the site of Abbey Mills and St Ann's Mills...
- (vii) The injection into the Capital Programme of a sum of £100,000 for feasibility and design work on the preferred option.
- (viii) The seeking of expressions of interest in a partnership for the redevelopment of the St Ann's Mills site.

subject to a report being brought back to the Board on the wider planning and highways considerations bearing upon the proposals and the significance of other potential developments in the area, prior to the marketing of the Abbey Mills site.

- (b) That the demolition of 649 Kirkstall Road be authorised with a view to the re-use of the materials in the new developments
- (c) That subject to (a) above, officers further develop the proposals contained in the report and bring back a more detailed report when designs have been prepared and costed to RIBA stage D and the results of the marketing of the Abbey Mills site are known; such report to deal with the proposed treatment of Abbey Villas, recognising their proximity to Kirkstall Abbey.

148 The Strategic Design Alliance for Leeds City Council's Architecture and Building Professional Design Services

The Director of Development submitted a report on proposals to establish a Strategic Design Alliance between one or more Private Sector Organisations and the Council's in-house Professional Design Services providers.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the proposals as supported by Council Departments and Education Leeds be noted and that officers seek the commitment of ALMOs to the use of the Alliance.
- (b) That approval be given to the implementation of the Strategic Design Alliance as proposed in the report.

149 Former School Playing Field Adjoining Former Northways School, Clifford

The Director of Development submitted a report seeking approval to the provisionally agreed terms for a lease of land at the above location on a concessionary rental basis to Clifford Parish Council.

The report examined the options of the Council taking no action, freehold disposal on the open market or the grant of the lease as proposed.

RESOLVED – That the lease be granted on the terms provisionally agreed and detailed in the report.

150 Land at Wetherby High School

The Director of Development submitted a report on the proposed disposal of a parcel of land at Wetherby High School currently used for informal school parking, to Morrisons Supermarkets Plc for use as a car park in connection with the adjoining supermarket and then use the receipt for the reprovision of

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