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UPDATE ON LANDSCAPING PROPOSAL ON LEADON WAY ROUNDABOUT

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to ask Members of the Economic Development & Planning Committee to reconsider their decision in respect of the of the roundabout along Leadon Way.

Detailed Information

Members will recall that at a meeting of the Economic Development & Planning Committee held on 12 March 2020 they were requested to give consideration to an application to take over the "Licence to Cultivate" on the newly installed roundabout along Leadon Way. At the same time Members were advised of a request from the Strômstad Twinning Group asking that the roundabout be planted with Blue and Yellow flowers in line with the colours of the Swedish Flag in readiness for a visit by their Mayor later in the year.

"It was resolved that an enquiry be made to BBLP whether it would be possible for the Strômstad Twinning Group to plant the newly erected roundabout along Leadon Way with plants that reflect the colours of the Swedish flag as an interim measure and that the request from Barratts for the Licence to Cultivate be referred back to the committee for consideration in the future."

Following the meeting the Deputy Clerk was asked to contact BBLP to enquire whether the above request could be met. However, due to Covid issues and sickness absence this request does not appear to have been made and as we are now in September the planting season has passed and it would not be practical to plant out the roundabout as requested by the Strômstad Twinning Group.

Following the meeting Barratt Homes were informed of the decision taken by the committee. However, on 26 August a further email was received from Barratt Homes Ltd asking for an update as they are still keen to take on the licence to cultivate the roundabout.

A proposed design in respect of the roundabout is attached for Members consideration.

Recommendation

That Members give further consideration to the request from Barratt Homes Ltd in respect of the roundabout at Leadon Way, noting that the previous decision to allow the roundabout to be planted out with Swedish Colours as requested by the Strômstad Twinning Group was not forwarded to BBLP and that the 2020 planting season has now ended.



