

To the Chair and Members of the Regeneration and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Stadium Management Company (SMC)

Relevant Cabinet Member(s)	Relevant Overview & Scrutiny Panel	Wards Affected	Key Decision
Mayor, Peter Davies	Regeneration & Environment Overview & Scrutiny Panel	All	Yes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The report sets out a range of options and recommends a preferred option for the future management of the Keepmoat Stadium. It proposes a revised legal relationship between the Council and the main users of the Stadium, in particular Doncaster Rovers and seeks, by agreement, to bring to and end all existing agreements. If the report is agreed by the Cabinet the proposals outlined in it will form the basis on which the Council will seek to finalise revised management arrangements with the Rovers

EXEMPT REPORT

2. This report notifies the Panel that this issue is scheduled to be discussed and does not contain exempt information. The Panel will receive a copy of the Cabinet report, which will be circulated the same day as it is sent out to the Cabinet. Although the report contains information that could be classed as exempt under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 - financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information the content is commercially sensitive), the Rovers and the Council have agreed in the interests of transparency to make the whole report non exempt.

RECOMMENDATIONS

3. Members of the Regeneration and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel are asked to consider and comment on the options for the Keepmoat Stadium.

BACKGROUND

4. A report outlining the background information about the SMC's situation, explaining some of the history and indicating possible ways forward, was presented to the Regeneration and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel on the 27th March 2012. Further to that meeting, Members requested that a further report on the options for the stadium be considered by the Panel prior to being presented at Cabinet.

5. The Panel are advised that full report and details of the options for the stadium will not be available for Members until the agenda for the Cabinet meeting on the 23rd May 2012 is dispatched. Copies of this report and any necessary papers will be made available to Members of the Regeneration and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel at this time. This action has been taken to ensure Members receive the most up-to-date information prior to consideration by Cabinet.
6. The key issues that will be addressed in the report include: -
 - a) the financial position of the Stadium Management Company
 - b) a range of options for the future management of the stadium
 - c) a preferred option involving concession agreements with Doncaster Rovers
7. Members are asked to receive and consider the update report and provide any comments and views as appropriate.

OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8. There are no specific options associated with this report. The report to be circulated to the Panel prior to the meeting will identify options for consideration by the Executive in progressing this issue.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

9. There are no specific recommendations associated with this report.

IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY OBJECTIVES

10. The success of the S.M.C. and the Stadium has a key impact on the Council's priorities as follows:

Priority Theme	Mayor's Priorities for 2011/12	Implications of this initiative
1. Creating a strong, connected and inclusive economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drive forward the Doncaster economy • Get the balance of public and private transport right • Promote Doncaster as a tourist destination • Regenerate Doncaster's town centres 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regeneration via the employment and leisure offer of the borough; • Healthier lifestyles, by improving the quality of leisure and fitness provision and ensuring accessibility to all sectors of the community; • Educational opportunity, by providing first class sports facilities and development to younger people
2. Developing stronger communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage community harmony and cohesion. Treat people as individuals, not by reference to labels and artificial groupings 	
3. Increasing and improving housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise housing standards 	

4. Protecting and improving all our children's lives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to improve education and skills • Build on a strengthening Children's Service 	borough
5. Improving health and support for independent lives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage attitudes of self-reliance, self-improvement and mutual respect within Doncaster communities 	
6. Tackling crime and anti-social behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce crime and all forms of anti-social behaviour 	
7. Creating a cleaner and better environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to protect the environment from developers, decay and architectural vandalism 	
8. Internal Transformation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure local people get value for money from council services 	

RISKS & ASSUMPTIONS

11. None directly associated with this report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

12. None directly associated with this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

13. None directly associated with this report.

CONSULTATION

14. Not Applicable

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Background Papers:

Regeneration and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Report dated 27th March 2012.

Keepmoat Stadium Update

Cabinet Report dated 26th October 2011. Stadium Management Company (S.M.C.)

Financial Update October 2011

Cabinet Report dated 22nd June 2011. Stadium Management Company (S.M.C.) Financial Update June 2011.

Cabinet Report dated 2nd March 2011. Update on the Financial Position of the Stadium Management Company (S.M.C.).

Cabinet Report dated 3rd March 2010. Update on the Financial Position of the Stadium Management Company (S.M.C.).

Cabinet Report dated 4th February 2009. Update on the Financial Position of the Stadium Management Company (S.M.C.).

Cabinet Report dated 5th November 2008. Options for the Future Management of Leisure and Cultural Facilities in Doncaster.

Cabinet Report dated 5th March, 2008.

Cabinet Report dated 8th October, 2007.

Cabinet Report 10th December, 2008.

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