

Bath & North East Somerset Council

MEETING:	Economic and Community Development Policy Development & Scrutiny
MEETING DATE:	24 January 2013
TITLE:	Bath Tourism Plus Ltd- Council Funding
WARD:	ALL

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1 THE ISSUE

This report is as a result of a request by the Committee to report on the Bath Tourism Plus Ltd funding by the Council.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Economic and Community Development Policy Development & Scrutiny Panel is asked to note the contents of this Report.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

4. THE REPORT

- 4.1 The Council entered into the current Service Level Agreement (SLA) with Bath Tourism Plus (BTP) Ltd in April 2012 for a period of 3 years.
- 4.2 The SLA is for the provision of services that develop, promote, support and protect Tourism in Bath and North East Somerset.
- 4.3 The SLA has two main financial elements firstly for the provision of services and the other for the use and occupancy of office premises at Abbey Chambers.
- 4.4 The Council review performance against an agreed annual business plan. BTP Ltd is a Local Authority Controlled Company.

4.5 BTP Ltd attracts annual funding of approximately £2.2m of which £655,090 (2012/13) is from the Council, the remainder is from Membership fees and commercial activities.

4.6 The Council and BTP have a joint continuous commitment to ensure improved service performance and reductions in costs.

5 RISK MANAGEMENT

5.1 NOT APPLICABLE

6 EQUALITIES

6.1 An EqIA has been not been completed.

7. CONSULTATION

7.1 NOT APPLICABLE

8. ISSUES TO CONSIDER IN REACHING THE DECISION

8.1 NOT APPLICABLE

9. ADVICE SOUGHT

9.1 The Council's Monitoring Officer (Divisional Director – Legal and Democratic Services) and section 151 Officer (Divisional Director - Finance) have had the opportunity to input to this report and have cleared it for publication.

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