EX28. DENNY TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION UPDATE REPORT

The Executive considered a report by the Director of Development Services providing an update in regard to the regeneration of Denny Town Centre.

A public drop-in event had been held on 26 and 27 May in Denny Old Parish Hall to provide an update on the Council's proposal for Denny town centre. All attendees had been invited to complete a questionnaire which provided feedback on the proposals. These were summarised in an appendix to the report.

Details of the town centre site assembly process and proposals for the re-siting of the War Memorial had been considered at the Executive meeting on 29 April 2014 (ref EX10). It had been anticipated that the cost of temporarily relocating Boots would be approximately £120,000. However, following a tender exercise, this was now revised to £148,028 due to additional costs in regard to delivery and installation access requirements, more onerous foundation costs and longer connection distances for utilities companies.

A tender exercise had also been undertaken in regard to the resiting of the War Memorial. The cost of the project, which had been estimated at £95,437, would now be £64,194. It was proposed that a survey is carried out in early 2015 to inform the final decision on the final location of the permanent War Memorial.

Decision

The Executive agreed:-

- (1) to note the outcome and feedback from the two day drop-in consultation event;
- (2) the amended sum of £148,028, identified through the tendering for the provision of the temporary retail accommodation for Boots;
- (3) that a consultation exercise on the relocation of the Denny War Memorial is conducted early in 2015; and
- (4) that future reports are submitted on the delivery of the project including the construction of phase 1 and on the result of the consultation on the War Memorial.