



St Helens - Town Deal Board

26th June 2020

2pm via Microsoft Teams.

Minutes/Meeting Notes.

Present -

CHAIR -John Tabern – Local businessman and Ambassador

Mick Allen -Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

Alex Dawson – Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

Marie Rimmer MP CBE

Sophie Bevan – LCR Combined Authority Investment Manager

Julia Callaghan - St Helens College

Cameron Sheeran – Principal Cowley International College

Superintendent Tami Garvey-Jones. Merseyside Police

Glenys Chalk - Headteacher Rivington Primary

Philip Fell - Associate Pastor St Helens CLC

Justin Hill - YMCA – Chief Executive

John Hodgkinson – 2K Supplies

Councillor David Baines – Council Leader

Andy Lock – Coalfields Regeneration

Tracy Mawson – St Helens Chamber Deputy CE

Councillor Richard McCauley – Cabinet Member Economic Regeneration and Housing

Chris O’Dea – OD’s

Stephen Palfrey – Palfrey Greer

Dyan Clegg St Helens & Knowsley Health Trust

Steve Coffey – Torus

Emma Howarth – MITE

Lance Flor – Local business

Stephen Lingard – SL Consultancy

Stephen Palfrey – Palfrey Greer

Lead Council Representation

Roy Benyon, Head of Place and Delivery - Towns Fund Lead

Kath O Dwyer Chief Executive

Lisa Harris – Executive Director Place Services

Steve Littler – Senior Assistant Director

Gary Maddock – Town Centre Manager

ECF/CBRE Representation

Phil Mayall ECF

1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

John Tabern Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from,. Sharon Bridge – Sabroso Restaurant Owner, Howard Lawrenson – Lawrenson Associates, Geoffrey Appleton – CCG, Conor McGinn MP, Richard Aylett – Local Business, Chris Jones - Developer, Ron Helsby - World of Glass, Fay Lamb – Citadel Arts, Patrick Fox - Heart of Glass, Steve Roberts – Communication Plus, Andrew Darron - Groundwork Trust

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

No Declarations of Interest from those present were made.

4 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 21st April 2020 were agreed as a correct record.

5. ACTIONS ARISING – See working group reports

6 PROGRAMME – SUB WORKING GROUP FEEDBACK

As agreed at previous Board, members were divided into the following four areas and Lead persons were agreed:

- Skills and business; Lead Tracy Mawson St Helens Chamber

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- Heritage and Culture; Lead John Hodkinson Local Business
- Transport and Connectivity (physical and digital); Lead Justin Hill CEO YMCA
- Regeneration and Land Use. Lead John Tabern Local business

Each Group Lead following a number of sub group meetings since last Board each gave a full verbal presentation of sub group feedback to the Board and copies will be attached to the issue of these minutes.

7.PRESENTATION OF NEW TOWNS FUND GUIDANCE LISA HARRIS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PLACE SERVICES ST HELENS COUNCIL

Lisa presented to the Board on the New Towns Fund Guidance announced 15th June 2020.

8. BOARD COMMISSIONING ACTIVITY

Lisa welcomed the sub group reports and put to the Board the need for commissioning a number of appointments and actions

The Board agreed to ACTION -

	ACTIONS	Target	Responsible
1.	To agree date for submission of Town Investment Plan. October 2020 or Jan 2021.	Decision needed before 12 th July. Board agreed in principle to target October 20 on understanding that option for Jan 20 would be more likely	Council
2.	Arrange link with MHCLG Delivery Partner ARUP	8 th July	Council
3.	To appoint a multi-disciplinary consultant team to produce our Town Investment Plan including business case	End of July	Council
4	Complete and agree Visioning	End of July	Council /Board
5	Commission Evidence Base Gathering Form a Task and Finish Group	Group to be formulated before end of July	Council Torus Chamber

6	Appoint Skills Commission -Strategy	To be agreed	Council /CA
7	Commission specialists – for TIP inclusion and business case including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change – Clean growth projects • Digital projects • Connectivity Transport projects 	July 2020	Council/Board
8.	Produce Programme plan to include Governance approvals for Board and Lead Council	10 th July	Council

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 19th September 2020 at 2.30pm via Microsoft Teams.

NOTE POST MEETING ACTION - Board members are reminded to submit a Code of Conduct form sent out by Democratic Services. Further copies to be added to these minutes for completion and return.