**LEP – Samlesbury Aerospace EZ – Lead Programme Manager - Chris Dyson**

**Background**

In April 2012, the Government awarded Enterprise Zone status to the Lancashire Enterprise Zone Samlesbury Aerospace (SAEZ) and Warton Aerospace Enterprise Zone Sites.The SAEZ has benefitted from circa £54.994m public and private sector investment to date, enabling the developments as detailed in the table below.

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| **Development / Works** | **£m** | **Funding Body** | **Completed** |
| Spine Road | £11m | LCC PWLB / Business Rates | Completed2018 |
| BAE Facilities (ASK, Wincanton Defence & Logistics Centre, AMF) | £42m | BAE | Completed 2020 |
| AMRC Facility | £20m | LEP – Growth Deal | Summer 2021 |
| Side wide infrastructure works, including AMRC plot development. | £16.75m | LEP Growth Deal, LCC PWLB / Business Rates | Summer 2022 |
| Private Sector investment (utility) | £7m | ENW | Summer 2022 |

**Performance**

AMRC Development - As part of the site wide infrastructure works as detailed above, the County Council has completed the plot and access road works, and the University of Sheffield's main contractor, Robertson, is progressing the construction of the AMRC Building, with the majority of the steel works being complete and cladding works have recently commenced. The AMRC NW is due to open Summer 2021.

BAE Development - In November 2020, BAE completed the development of a circa £12m, 15,794sqm Asset Management Facility (AMF), in addition to the Ask Facility and Wincanton Defence Logistics Centre already completed.

Site Wide Infrastructure Works - Three claims have been made to date to draw down Growth Deal funding to the value of £1.42m, as part of the £6.725m allocation to deliver the site wide infrastructure provision. In addition, orders have been placed for site-wide utilities. ENWL has commenced its major programme to deliver the cabling to the site for the new primary substation. The gas governor is connected, and the final connection will be made in February 2021. The Telecoms infrastructure routing is being co-ordinated. The County Council’s Drainage & Earthworks Strategy for the next programme of works activity has now been prepared and a tender has been placed for the major earth works. Works are to commence in April 2021.

Commercial Development Framework – this has now been completed and is being utilised to inform enquiries and the site development strategy.

Enquiries - A range of major enquiries are currently being pro-actively handled, and interest in the site remains strong despite market disruption caused by Covid-19. Adverse weather conditions remain challenging on site.

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| **KPI Performance** | **Targets**(to 2029/30)  | **Actuals** (Qtr.2 20/21) | **RAG** |
| New commercial floor space | 125,352 sqm  | 22,400 sqm  |  |
| New jobs created | 2,528 | 200\* |  |
| Utility construction project complete  | 5 | 0 |  |
| Public Sector Investment (site-wide infrastructure) | £28.8m | £12.994m\*\* |  |
| Private Sector Investment -BAE £42m & Utility £7m | £49m | £42m |  |

\* Additional to Growth Deal target

\*\* Includes Prudential borrowing for initial costs of new road and infrastructure

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| **Milestone** | **Target Dates** | **Achieved Date**  |
| Primary sub-station design | May 2020  | COMPLETE |
| Primary sub-station planning approval | July 2020  | COMPLETE |
| Gas main construction commenced | August 2020  | IN PROCESS |
| Commercial Development Framework Commissioned | August 2020  | COMPLETE |
| Drainage & Earthworks Strategy commissioned | August 2020  | IN PROCESS |
| LCC AMRC Plot Works complete | September 2020  | PLOT COMPLETE |
| Utilities orders placed | September 2020  | COMPLETE |
| AMRC Construction (Robertson) | October 2020  | COMMENCED |
| Updated Marketing Strategy & progression of Enquiries | December 2020  | Enquiry handling ongoing |
| AMF Completion | November 2020  | COMPLETE |
| Earthworks & Drainage site works complete(Due to the impacts of Covid-19, subsequent delays & compounded impact of working through winter, this is likely to slip to Q1 2021/22)  | Feb 21 |  |
| Research and Development Plots full serviced (excluding power) (As above) | Feb 21 |  |
| Primary sub-station connection  | September 2022 |  |
| Site wide utility infrastructure operational  | September 2022 |  |
| Delivery of enquiries (conducted in parallel to infrastructure delivery) | February 2021 onwards |  |

**Risks**

A Single Portfolio Risk Register for the combined programmes is attached to the main report.