**LEP - Sub Committee**

**LEP - Lancashire Innovation Board**

**Private and Confidential: No**

**Date:** Monday, 7 June 2021

**Membership and Terms of Reference**

(Appendix 'A' refers)

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| **Executive Summary** This report sets out the current membership and Terms of Reference of the Innovation Board. **Recommendation** That the membership and Terms of Reference of the Lancashire Innovation Board as set out in the report are noted. |

**Background and Advice**

On the 23rd June 2020 the Lancashire Enterprise Partnership Board agreed to establish an Innovation Board to hold to account the delivery of innovation activities within the LEP Innovation Plan and set future strategic innovation priorities.

At that meeting the initial membership for the Board was agreed together with the Terms of Reference, a copy of which is attached at **Appendix 'A'.** TheChair and Deputy Chair were subsequently appointed at the first meeting of the Innovation Board on the 24th July 2020.

**Appointment of Additional Board members**

On the 19th February 2021 the Innovation Board considered a proposal to appoint an additional 3 Board members which (if approved) would bring the membership up to the maximum 15 permitted under the Terms of Reference and give the Board an 8 to 7 female/male gender split, an 8 to 7 private/public sector split with a broad geographic spread across Lancashire. After considering the report the Board agreed to recommend the Lancashire Enterprise Partnership Board to approve the appointment of the following individuals.

* Mike Gibson, Managing Director, Miralis Data limited
* Judson Smythe, Technical Director, MGS Plastics Limited
* Melissa Conlon, Commercial Director, AMRC (NW)

The recommendation was reported to the LEP Board on the 23rd March 2021

(see [item 9 – Governance and Committees](https://council.lancashire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=938&MId=10278&Ver=4)) which subsequently approved all the appointments, making the current membership of the Board as set out below.

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| Graham Baldwin | Chair | UCLan |
| Claire Whelan | Deputy Chair | (Corporate & Finance) |
| Tony Attard OBE | Co-opted LEP Member | (Corporate & Manufacturing) |
| **Melissa Conlon** | **Skills & International Rep** | **AMRC NW** |
| Rick Holland | UK RI Rep | Innovate UK |
| Dion Williams | Universities Rep | Lancaster University |
| Natalie Jones | Research & Science Rep | Engineering & Physical  Sciences Council |
| Jane Binnion | Start-up, Micro & SME Rep | Growing Club Ltd |
| Jane Dalton | Strategy & Branding Rep | Groundswell Innovation Ltd |
| Lorna Green | Thematic - Health & Life  Sciences | Innovation Agency (AHSN) |
| Lindsay Roche | Thematic - Energy &  Environment | Westinghouse Ltd |
| Pete Lee | Thematic - Manufacturing &  Construction | Victrex Ltd |
| **Michael Gibson** | **Thematic – Digital and**  **Technology** | **Miralis Data Limited** |
| Gaynor Dykes | Thematic - Professional &  Services | Grant Thornton |
| **Judson Smythe** | **Thematic – Manufacturing**  **& Construction (additional)** | **MGS Plastics Limited** |

**Register of Interests**

All Board members will be asked to review their current declarations of interest and an updated Register of Interest will be made available to view on the LEP website in due course

**List of Background Papers**

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| Paper | Date | Contact/Tel |
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