

LEP – Warton Aviation EZ – Lead Programme Manager - Chris Dyson

BACKGROUND

In April 2012, the Government awarded Enterprise Zone status to the Lancashire Enterprise Zone, which included the Samlesbury Aerospace and Warton Aviation Enterprise Zone Sites.

The Warton Enterprise Zone has a masterplan and a ten-year Local Development Order in place for the site. Two companies, Accenture and Trescal, have been in occupation at the site since 2015, with additional occupation taken up by High Integrity Systems Limited and Dassault Systems UK Limited during 2019 who are using the office space as a hot desk facility.

Senior officers from the county council and BAE Systems are continuing to discuss opportunities at Warton to build and complement on the current high value activity at Samlesbury to support the development of Lancashire's growth ambitions and the levelling up agenda.

In this regard, initial strategic meetings have taken place between partners in 2021 and sectoral analysis is currently being conducted via the LEP to feedback to the County Council and BAE Systems in early 2022. This information will inform further debate in respect of the potential next stages.

PERFORMANCE

KPI Performance	Targets	Actuals (to Qtr. 3 21/22)	RAG
Commercial floor space created Sqm	Nil	0	N/A
Jobs created	Nil	7	N/A

Milestones

Milestones will be determined following further strategic discussions between LCC, the LEP and BAE.

RISKS

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