



CITY DEAL

Preston, South Ribble & Lancashire

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Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 1st March, 2016 at 5.00 pm at the Cabinet Room 'B' - The Diamond Jubilee Room, County Hall, Preston

Present

Jim Carter (Chair)

County Councillor Jennifer Mein Councillor Margaret Smith
Councillor Peter Rankin

In Attendance

Jo Ainsworth, Specialist Advisor: Finance, Programme Office, Lancashire County Council
Beckie Joyce, Head of Strategic Development, Lancashire County Council
Andy Milroy, Company Services Officer, Lancashire County Council
Lorraine Norris, Chief Executive, Preston City Council
Mike Nuttall, Chief Executive, South Ribble Borough Council
Sarah Parry, Programme Manager City Deal, Lancashire County Council
Sue Procter, Director Programmes and Project Management, Lancashire County Council
Eddie Sutton, Director of Development and Corporate Services, Lancashire County Council

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

The Chair, Jim Carter, welcomed all to the meeting. Committee Member apologies for absence were presented from Malcolm McVicar. Observer apologies were presented from Deborah McLaughlin and Jo Turton with Eddie Sutton attending in place of Jo Turton.

2. Declarations of Interest

None

Part II

At this point the City Deal Executive approved that the meeting move into Part II, Private and Confidential to consider the remaining items which contained exempt information provided in confidence as defined in the Freedom of Information Act 2000. It was considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

3. Interim Findings on Potential Impact of Proposed Policy Changes on City Deal

Eddie Sutton, Director of Development and Corporate Services, presented a private and confidential report (circulated) regarding the interim findings on the potential impact of proposed policy changes in relation to the City Deal.

The City Deal Executive considered the report prepared by officers and the City Deal external consultants, Keppie Massie, which assessed the potential impact of proposed policy changes, specifically in relation to the Infrastructure Delivery Fund. It was noted that a response to the Government consultation on the proposed policy changes was to be provided by 10th March 2016.

Following a discussion of the potential impact, it was agreed that officers co-ordinate a collective City Deal response and submit to Government by the deadline of 10th March 2016. It was further agreed to hold an additional special meeting of the City Deal Executive and Stewardship Board mid to late April 2016 to consider any further developments with regard to the proposed policy changes or further responses to Government consultation.

Resolved:

The City Deal Executive:

- (i) Expressed their views regarding the potential impact of the policy changes.
- (ii) Authorised officers to prepare a collective City Deal response, in consultation with all City Deal Stakeholders, for submission to Government by the 10th March 2016 deadline, and;
- (iii) Noted that an additional special meeting would be arranged mid to late April 2016 to consider any further developments with regard to the proposed policy changes or further responses to Government consultation.

4. Any Other Business

Under Any Other Business, clarification was sought, and provided, regarding a recent housing planning application relating to the City Deal Masterplan.

5. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next scheduled Combined City Deal Executive and Stewardship Board meeting was to be held on Monday 21st March 2016, with an additional special meeting to be arranged for mid to late April 2016.