

Preston, South Ribble and Lancashire City Deal Executive

Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Monday, 9th January, 2017 at 5.30 pm at the Cabinet Room 'D' - The Henry Bolingbroke Room, County Hall, Preston

Present

Jim Carter (Chair)

Malcolm McVicar County Councillor Jennifer Mein Councillor Peter Rankin

In Attendance

Danielle Gillespie - Homes and Community Agency
Jean Hunter - Interim Chief Executive, South Ribble Borough Council
Lorraine Norris - Chief Executive, Preston City Council
Jo Turton - Chief Executive, Lancashire County Council
Beckie Joyce - Head of Strategic Development, Lancashire County Council
Andy Milroy - Senior Democratic Services Officer, Lancashire County Council
Sarah Parry - Specialist Adviser, City Deal Programme, Lancashire County Council
Stuart Sage - Homes and Community Agency
Eddie Sutton - Director of Development and Corporate Services, Lancashire County
Council

Ginnette Unsworth - Head of Communications, Lancashire County Council

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting, apologies for absence were presented from Councillor Peter Mullineaux. It was noted that due to the absence of the South Ribble Borough Council Leader (or their nominee) that the meeting was inquorate. The Members present agreed to continue to hold an inquorate meeting with any decisions to be deferred to the next City Deal Executive and Stewardship Board meeting for approval.

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Any Other Business

A draft report was circulated under Any Other Business regarding Preston City Centre: Transport Plan Brief.

It was noted that Lancashire County Council, on behalf of the City Deal partners, were to seek consultancy support to prepare a City Centre Transport Plan. In addition it was reported that the consultant should be appointed in early 2017 and would have six to nine months to complete the work. It was also noted that work will need to be compliant with the Department for Transport's Early Assessment and Sifting Tool (EAST) framework.

It was noted that City Deal Executive and Stewardship Board Members will be kept updated on progress through regular updates provided to the Combined Executive and Stewardship Board meetings.

Resolved: That the update regarding the Preston City Centre Transport Plan Brief be noted and that regular updates will be provided to the Combined Executive and Stewardship Board meetings.

4. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next Combined City Deal Executive and Stewardship Board meeting was scheduled to be held on 22nd February 2017, 10am, in Cabinet Room 'C' – The Duke of Lancaster Room, County Hall, Preston.

Part II

At this point the City Deal Executive and the Stewardship Board agreed that the meeting move into Part II (Private and Confidential) in order to consider two remaining items of business 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.

5. Communications Update

Simon Turner, Freshfields, presented a report, in Part II, regarding a Communications Update in relation to marketing City Deal opportunities to investors, developers and influencers.

After consideration, it was agreed that further work be undertaken on the marketing strategy with further information to be circulated to City Deal Executive and Stewardship Board Members after the meeting.

Resolved: That the report be noted and that further work be undertaken on the marketing strategy, with further information be circulated to City deal Executive and Stewardship Board Members for approval, after the meeting.