
TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY CABINET

**Cavendish House, Teesdale Business Park, Stockton-on-Tees at 5.00pm on
Tuesday, 13th June, 2017**

ATTENDEES

Members

Mayor Ben Houchen (Chair)	Tees Valley Mayor
Mayor David Budd	Mayor of Middlesbrough
Councillor Christopher Akers- Belcher	Leader, Hartlepool Borough Council
Councillor Bob Cook	Leader, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Councillor Bill Dixon	Deputy Leader, Darlington Borough Council
Councillor Sue Jeffrey	Leader, Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council
Paul Booth	Chair, Tees Valley LEP

Associate Members

Professor Paul Croney	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Alistair Hudson	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Angela Howey	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Mike Matthews	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Graham Robb	Member of Tees Valley LEP
David Soley	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Siobhan McArdle	Member of Tees Valley LEP

Apologies for absence

Jerry Hopkinson	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Phil Cook	Member of Tees Valley LEP
James Ramsbotham	Observer, Tees Valley LEP

Officers

Ada Burns	Chief Executive, Darlington Borough Council
Denise Ogden	Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods, Hartlepool Borough Council
James Bromiley	Strategic Director of Finance and Governance
Jonathan Bretherton	Chief Executive, South Tees Development Corporation
Garry Cummings	Chief Finance Officer, Stockton Borough Council
Neil Schneider	Chief Executive of Stockton-On-Tees Borough Council
David Bond	Monitoring Officer, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Andrew Lewis	Managing Director, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Sarah Brackenborough	Governance Manager, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Amanda Skelton	Chief Executive, Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council
Andrew Nixon	Deputy Monitoring Officer, Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council

TVCA 7/17	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>Graham Robb declared an interest, as Senior Partner of Recognition PR, as a procured provider of publicity services to the Combined Authority. The Cabinet was made aware that Recognition PR would not be renewing the contract going forwards.</p>
TVCA 8/17	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 31st May 2017.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held on 31st May 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.</p>
TVCA 9/17	<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR</p> <p>The Chair confirmed that all matters were covered on the agenda.</p>
TVCA 10/17	<p>SOUTH TEES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION</p> <p>The Mayor left the meeting for a short period to receive a phone call from the Secretary of State. Councillor Bob Cook, Deputy Mayor, chaired this item.</p> <p>Consideration was given to a report formally proposing the designation of the South Tees area as a Mayoral Development Corporation. The Cabinet also considered the Constitution for the South Tees Development Corporation. It followed extensive consultation with statutory consultees. Stakeholders and the Combined Authority's Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>The Chair of the Shadow South Tees Development Corporation Board, Councillor Sue Jeffrey, thanked all those involved for the progress that had been made so far.</p> <p>It was noted that the Mayor would now formally notify the Secretary of State of the designation and legislation would be drafted with central Government, to establish the Corporation as legal entity in the summer. The process for appointing the Board would also be undertaken, with formal nominations for appointment to be confirmed by the Cabinet at its meeting in July.</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. the formal designation of the South Tees area be agreed, as defined by the boundary in the constitution, as a Mayoral Development Corporation (to be named the "South Tees Development Corporation (STDC)"); ii. the Mayor should formally propose the creation of the STDC to the Secretary of State, thereby initiating the next stage of the statutory process; iii. the STDC's Constitution be agreed; iv. the process to appoint Board members, and the independent chair of the STDC's Audit Committee, be initiated, on the basis set out in the constitution.

<p>TVCA 11/17</p>	<p>BUS SERVICES ACT</p> <p>Consideration was given to a report regarding the new Bus Services Act which was due to come into force on 27th June 2017.</p> <p>The Transport Committee had considered the implications of the Act at their meeting in March and recommended that the Combined Authority continues with a “twin track” approach to further investigation of delivery models for the future Tees Valley bus network; considering both franchising and partnership approaches. The Committee also recommended that the Combined Authority should develop a strategy to improve bus services, through consultation with partners and the wider public.</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. the powers available to the Combined Authority through the new legislation be noted; ii. a Bus Strategy be developed, as part of the statutory Strategic Transport Plan, informed by a workshop to be held in July; iii. £80k be allocated from the Combined Authority’s Development Fund, to support capacity to develop options as set out in the new legislation.
<p>TVCA 12/17</p>	<p>INVESTING IN OUR ROAD NETWORK</p> <p>Consideration was given to a report regarding plans for the Tees Valley Road network. The Cabinet was given detail on three areas of development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved East West Road connectivity along the A66 corridor from the A1(M) to Teesport – an overview of the work undertaken to date was given and approval for the strategic outline business case requested; • The National Productivity Investment Fund – detail was provided on the programme of investment for the £2.29 million allocation for 2017/18 and the approach being taken to develop a proposal for funding in 2018/19 and 2019/20; • Tees Valley Key Route Network (KRN) – detail was provided on the principles for the KRN and a proposal for an initial network for Tees Valley for approval. <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. the Strategic Outline Programme Case for the A66 East-West connections study and the associated Strategic Outline Business Case for the A66 Northern Bypass be approved, to allow progression to the next stage of work; ii. a Key Route Network for the Tees Valley Combined Authority area be agreed; iii. the proposed package of schemes to improve the Key Route Network be agreed, to be funded by the National Productivity Investment Fund, for the financial year 2017/18 iv. proposals be submitted to the National Productivity Investment Fund for the 2018-20 period; and responsibility for the submission be delegated to the Managing Director; in consultation with the Tees Valley Mayor, the Cabinet Member for Transport, and transport lead officers from the five councils.
<p>TVCA 13/17</p>	<p>COMBINED AUTHORITY BUDGET 2016/17 OUTTURN POSITION</p> <p>Consideration was given to a report detailing the first year’s financial performance</p>

	<p>of the Combined Authority for 2016/17.</p> <p>Cabinet requested a breakdown of the “Other Spend” column at paragraph 4 of the report and also requested that the Statement of Accounts be brought to the Cabinet for approval.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the outturn position and current level of General Balance reserve be noted.</p>
<p>TVCA 14/17</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The next meeting would be on Thursday 27th July.</p> <p>As there were currently no items of business scheduled for the meeting on the 25th August it was agreed that the meeting would be cancelled.</p>