

TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY (TVCA) CABINET

Cavendish House, Teesdale Business Park, Stockton-On-Tees at 10.00am on
Friday 31st January 2020

<u>ATTENDEES</u>	
Members	
Mayor Ben Houchen (Chair)	Tees Valley Mayor
Councillor Heather Scott OBE	Leader, Darlington Borough Council
Councillor Shane Moore	Leader, Hartlepool Borough Council
Mayor Andy Preston	Mayor of Middlesbrough
Councillor Mary Lanigan	Leader, Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council
Councillor Bob Cook	Leader, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Paul Booth	Chair, Tees Valley Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)
Associate Members	
David Soley	Vice Chair, Tees Valley LEP
Graham Robb	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Zoe Lewis	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Jerry Hopkinson	Member of Tees Valley LEP
James Ramsbotham	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Apologies for Absence	
Mike Matthews	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Brenda McLeish	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Mark South	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Angela Howey	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Professor Paul Croney	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Nigel Perry	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Officers and Others in Attendance	
Julie Danks	Chief Executive, Stockton Borough Council
Paul Wildsmith	Managing Director, Darlington Borough Council
John Sampson	Managing Director, Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council
Julie Gilhespie	Chief Executive, Tees Valley Combined Authority
Andrew Nixon	Monitoring Officer, TVCA
John Hart	Governance Manager, TVCA
Gary MacDonald	Director of Finance and Resources, TVCA
Chris Beck	Director of Business and Skills, TVCA
Linda Edworthy	Director of Strategy and Investment Planning, TVCA
Tom Bryant	Head of Transport and Infrastructure, TVCA
Councillor Norma Stephenson OBE	Chair of Tees Valley Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee/Stockton Borough Council

TVCA 51/19	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies for absence were submitted as detailed above.
TVCA 52/19	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Declarations of Interest where submitted by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Soley (Item 9) The Tees Valley Mayor, Graham Robb, Cllr Mary Lanigan and Mayor Andy Preston also placed on record their membership of the Board of the South Tees Development Corporation (Item 7).
TVCA 53/19	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING RESOLVED that: The minutes of the meeting held on December 20 th 2019 be confirmed and signed as a true record.
TVCA 54/19	MATTERS ARISING None.
TVCA 55/19	MAYOR'S UPDATE The Tees Valley Mayor introduced a report providing a general update on the key activities of the Mayor and Combined Authority since the last Cabinet meeting, highlighting the recently agreed government investment of £71m in the South Tees Development Corporation and personally thanking Chief Secretary to the Treasury Rishi Sunak MP for his support. The Tees Valley Mayor placed on record his disappointment at the decision not to award the contract for the construction of new trains for the Tyne & Wear Metro to a regionally-based firm, supported by cabinet members. The Tees Valley Mayor congratulated Councillor Moore on the approval of plans for the new Hartlepool Leisure Centre, a project supported by the Combined Authority Indigenous Growth Fund. RESOLVED that: Cabinet agreed to note the report.

<p>TVCA 56/19</p>	<p>GOVERNANCE AND APPOINTMENTS</p> <p>Cabinet was asked to note changes to the membership of the Tees Valley Combined Authority’s Transport Committee and that committee’s representation on the Transport for the North Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>Cabinet agreed the nominations as set out in the report.</p>
<p>TVCA 57/19</p>	<p>ADOPTION OF INVESTMENT PLAN, BUDGET 2021-21 AND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN</p> <p>Cabinet was presented with the proposed financial framework within which the Combined Authority intends to operate in the forthcoming financial year (2020-2021) and over the medium-term following a four-week public consultation. Cabinet also received details of the refreshed high-level financial allocations within the Investment Plan 2019-29 one year on from the agreement of the 10-year Investment Plan and an Investment Plan.</p> <p>The report also included an Investment Plan Quarterly Monitoring Report for Quarter 2 of 2019.</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>Cabinet agreed to approve the adoption of the refreshed Investment Plan, Budget 2021-21 and Medium-Term Financial Plan and note the Investment Plan Quarterly Monitoring Report.</p>
<p>TVCA 58/19</p>	<p>STRATEGIC TRANSPORT PLAN</p> <p>At the meeting of July 26th 2019 Cabinet approved to consult on a draft Strategic Transport Plan with the public and stakeholders.</p> <p>Cabinet was presented with a report outlining the feedback from the consultation, highlighting the proposed amendments to the plan as a result of this feedback and seeking approval of the final plan.</p> <p>Graham Robb commended the plan and drew members attention to a recent discussion of Electric Vehicle charging points at the Tees Valley LEP Board, thanking officers for a briefing note on the topic which had subsequently been circulated to members.</p> <p>Cllr Heather Scott, portfolio holder for Transport, thanked Tom Bryant, Head of Transport & Infrastructure for the Combined Authority, for his work on the Strategic Transport Plan.</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>Cabinet agreed to approve the Strategic Transport Plan.</p>
<p>TVCA 59/19</p>	<p>INTEGRATED TRANSPORT PROGRAMME</p>

	<p>Cabinet received a report recommending approval for indicative allocations for several local transport projects using remaining confirmed but previously unallocated funding totaling £39.411m.</p> <p>The Tees Valley Mayor highlighted allocations within the programme, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The development of Electric Vehicle Changing Point infrastructure. • Investment in an Urban Traffic Management System • Planned upgrades at Teesside International Airport railway station. <p>Councillors Moore and Cook highlighted funding allocations for improvements to the A689 corridor and thanked officers for their work.</p> <p>Councillors Scott and Langian highlighted the value of the Wheels to Work Programme, suggesting that efforts be made to greater publicise the scheme.</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>Cabinet approved the Integrated Transport Programme as detailed in the report.</p>
<p>TVCA 60/19</p>	<p>INNOVATION PROGRAMME</p> <p>Cabinet was recommended to approve a £18.98M Innovation Programme, designed to utilise funds allocated in the Combined Authority Investment Plan to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest in and create clusters aligned with regional innovation priorities which have the capacity to bid into national funding initiatives, and to; • Invest in activities which amplify the work of the region's research and innovation centres and focus their impacts in the Tees Valley. <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>Cabinet approved the Innovation Programme as detailed in the report.</p>
<p>TVCA 61/19</p>	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>Councillor Cook encouraged leaders to take steps to ensure that future meetings of the Tees Valley Combined Authority Overview & Scrutiny Committee are quorate, a proposal endorsed by all Cabinet members.</p>
<p>TVCA 62/19</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Friday March 13th 2020</p>