

**TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY (TVCA)
LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (LEP) BOARD AND INFORMAL CABINET**

Cavendish House, Stockton-On-Tees, TS17 6QY

Monday March 2nd 2020 at 5pm

MEETING

ATTENDEES

Members

Paul Booth	Tees Valley LEP (Chair)
David Soley	Tees Valley LEP (Deputy Chair)
Ben Houchen	Tees Valley Mayor
Cllr Heather Scott	Darlington Borough Council
Cllr Bob Cook	Stockton Borough Council
Mayor Andy Preston	Middlesbrough Council
Cllr Shane Moore	Hartlepool Borough Council
Jerry Hopkinson	PD Ports
Siobhan McArdle	The Strategy House
Annabel Turpin	Stockton Arc
Vikki-Jackson Smith	J&B Recycling
Graham Robb	Recognition PR
Angela Howey	EE
Zoe Lewis	Middlesbrough College (representing Further Education Sector)

Officers

Julie Gilhespie	Chief Executive	TVCA
Chris Beck	Director of Business and Skills	TVCA
Gary Macdonald	Director of Finance and Resources	TVCA
Linda Edworthy	Director of Strategy and Investment Planning	TVCA
Neal Smith	Head of Communications	TVCA
Geraldine Brown	Strategy, Intelligence and Policy Manager	
John Hart	Governance Manager	TVCA
Jonathan Bailes	Investment Planning Manager	TVCA
Paul Wildsmith	Managing Director	Darlington Borough Council
Julie Danks	Chief Executive	Stockton Borough Council

Others

Eddie Halstead
Catherine Saxon
Sir Paul Ennals

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<p>LEP 63/19</p>	<p>CHAIRS WELCOME & APOLOGIES</p> <p>Apologies were received from Nigel Perry (CPI), Mark South (Double 11) Brenda McLeish (Learning Curve) Professor Paul Croney (Teesside University) and Cllr Mary Lanigan (Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council).</p>	
<p>LEP 64/19</p>	<p>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING & ACTION TRACKER</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting of January 13th 2020 were agreed and signed as a true record.</p> <p>The Governance Manager reported that all items on the Action Tracker were up-to-date.</p>	
<p>LEP 65/19</p>	<p>PRESENTATION FROM THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY</p> <p>Eddie Halstead from the Environment Agency gave a presentation to members detailing recent and planned flood prevention investment in the Tees Estuary.</p>	
<p>LEP 66/19</p>	<p>SOUTH TEES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION UPDATE</p> <p>The Chair invited the Tees Valley Mayor to update members on recent developments at the South Tees Development Corporation (STDC)</p> <p>The Tees Valley Mayor reported that Negotiations with SSI over the ownership of land at the Development Corporation site, including the site of the former Redcar Steelworks, had reached a successful conclusion allowing the land to revert to local ownership and development of the site to commence.</p>	
<p>LEP 67/19</p>	<p>ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT CABINET</p> <p>Consideration was given to reports to be presented to Tees Valley Cabinet on March 13th 2020.</p> <p>Treasury Management Strategies 2020/21</p> <p>Gary Macdonald briefed members on the Combined Authority's approach to borrowing, investments and cash flows, banking, money market and capital market transactions and the effective control of the risks associated with those activities.</p> <p>RESOLVED THAT: Members noted the paper and recommended that it be approved by Cabinet.</p> <p>Annual Audit Letter</p>	

	<p>Gary Macdonald briefed members on the contents of a report presenting the findings of the external audit of on the final Statement of Group Accounts for Tees Valley Combined Authority and Group completed by Mazars LLP for the financial year ended March 31st 2019.</p> <p>RESOLVED THAT: Members noted the paper and recommended that it be approved by Cabinet.</p> <p>Investment Plan Update Q3</p> <p>Jonathan Bailes briefed members on a report updating Cabinet on delivery of the Combined Authority ten-year investment programme in the period October-December 2019.</p> <p>RESOLVED THAT: Members noted the paper and recommended that it be approved by Cabinet.</p> <p>Assurance Framework Update</p> <p>Jonathan Bailes briefed members on changes proposed to the Combined Authority’s approach to the administration and decision-making of the Tees Valley Investment Plan.</p> <p>RESOLVED THAT: Members noted the paper and recommended that it be approved by Cabinet.</p> <p>Compulsory Purchase Order and Joint Venture Partnership for the South Tees Development Corporation (STDC)</p> <p>Gary Macdonald briefed members on the need for the Combined Authority to delegate certain powers to the South Tees Development Corporation to allow completion of the transaction detailed earlier in the meeting.</p> <p>Julie Danks requested that the report be amended to give greater detail as to why these delegations were necessary.</p> <p>RESOLVED THAT: Members noted the paper and recommended that it be approved by Cabinet, subject to the above alteration.</p>	
<p>LEP 68/19</p>	<p>NORTH EAST CLIMATE CHANGE COALITION</p> <p>Sir Paul Ennals delivered a presentation to members on the work of the North East Climate Change Coalition.</p> <p>RESOLVED THAT: Members agreed to send a letter to the Coalition stating that the Tees Valley LEP is supportive of its aims and prepared to assist with specific projects developed by it, in particular through NP11.</p>	
<p>69/19</p>	<p>ROUNDTABLE OF UPDATES FROM MEMBERS</p>	

	<p>David Soley updated members on activities at Teesside International Airport, including the introduction of new routes, investment in passenger experience and the commencement of work on the South Side development.</p> <p>Geraldine Brown updated members on the process of recruitment of new LEP members.</p>	
<p>LEP 70/19</p>	<p>DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Tuesday April 14th 2020, 5pm</p>	