

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Agenda

Date: Tuesday 10th January 2017 at 10.30am

Venue: Hartlepool College of Further Education, Stockton Street, Hartlepool,
TS24 7NT

Membership:

Councillor Phil Dennis - Chair (Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council)
Councillor Heather Scott – Vice Chair (Darlington Borough Council)
Councillor Ian Haszeldine (Darlington Borough Council)
Councillor Sonia Kane (Darlington Borough Council)
Councillor Stephen Akers-Belcher (Hartlepool Borough Council)
Councillor Marjorie James (Hartlepool Borough Council)
Councillor Kaylee Sirs (Hartlepool Borough Council)
Councillor Denise Rooney (Middlesbrough Council)
Councillor Jon Rathmell (Middlesbrough Council)
Councillor Jean Sharrocks (Middlesbrough Council)
Councillor Glyn Nightingale (Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council)
Councillor Bob Norton (Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council)
Councillor Philip Thomson (Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council)
Councillor Derrick Brown (Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council)
Councillor Norma Stephenson (Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council)

AGENDA

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Apologies for absence**
- 3. Declarations of interest**
- 4. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 24th November 2016 for confirmation and signature

- 5. Announcements from the Chair**

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6. Announcements from the Managing Director

7. Portfolio Briefing – Education, Employment & Skills

Presentation

8. Apprenticeships

Presentation

9. Forward Plan

Attached

10. Date of the next Meeting

23rd February 2017 at 10.30am – Redcar & Cleveland Leisure and
Community heart, Ridley Street, Redcar, TS10 1TD

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Where a Member regards him/herself as having a personal interest, as described in **paragraph 16** of the code, in any business of the TVCA he/she must then, **in accordance with paragraph 18** of the code, consider whether that interest is one which a member of the public, with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest and the business:-

- affects the Member's financial position or the financial position of a person or body described in **paragraph 17** of the code, or
- relates to the determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration in relation to the Member or any person described in **paragraph 17** of the code.

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Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

It is a criminal offence for a Member to participate in any discussion or vote on a matter in which he/she has a disclosable pecuniary interest (and where an appropriate dispensation has not been granted)(**paragraph 20** of the code).

Members are required to comply with any procedural rule adopted by the TVCA which requires a Member to leave the meeting room whilst the meeting is discussing a matter in which that Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest (**paragraph 21** of the code).

**TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY
OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Mandela Room, Town Hall, Albert Road, Middlesbrough, TS1 2QJ

Thursday 24th November 2016 at 10.30am

MEETING

ATTENDEES

Members

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| Councillor Phil Dennis (Chair) | Stockton on Tees Borough Council | SBC |
| Councillor Ian Haszeldine | Darlington Borough Council | DBC |
| Councillor Sonia Kane | Darlington Borough Council | DBC |
| Councillor Heather Scott | Darlington Borough Council | DBC |
| Councillor Stephen Akers-Belcher | Hartlepool Borough Council | MBC |
| Councillor Marjorie James | Hartlepool Borough Council | MBC |
| Councillor Bob Norton | Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council | R&CBC |
| Councillor Philip Thomson | Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council | R&CBC |
| Councillor Derrick Brown | Stockton on Tees Borough Council | SBC |
| Councillor Norma Stephenson | Stockton on Tees Borough Council | SBC |
| Councillor Glyn Nightingale | Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council | R&CBC |

Apologies for absence

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| Councillor Jean Sharrocks | Middlesbrough Borough Council | MBC |
| Councillor Kaylee Sirs | Hartlepool Borough Council | HBC |
| Councillor Jon Rathmell | Middlesbrough Borough Council | MBC |
| Councillor Denise Rooney | Middlesbrough Borough Council | MBC |

Officers

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| Andrew Lewis | Managing Director TVCA | TVCA |
| Garry Cummings | Chief Financial Officer | TVCA |
| David New | Senior Finance Officer | TVCA |
| Sarah Brackenborough | Governance Manager | TVCA |
| Sharon Jones | Scrutiny Officer | TVCA |
| Joan Stevens | Scrutiny Officer | HBC |

OSC **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

10/16

There were no interests declared.

OSC **MINUTES**

11/16

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 12th October 2016.

RESOLVED that the minutes be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

OSC **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**

12/16

The Chair announced that the suggested amendments to the draft constitution, including the proposal that the Committee be allowed to recommend their own Chair, have been accepted by the TVCA Board.

A discussion took place regarding the TVCA being able to create Mayoral Development Corporations, which already exists in shadow form for the South Tees area; including the former SSI site. Following government legislation being published it is proposed that this will become a more formal arrangement. Consultation will need to take place before any proposal is accepted and this includes consultation with Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

RESOLVED that:-

1. O&S will be fully consulted regarding any proposals for Mayoral Development Corporations
2. O&S are provided with documents showing the plans for the establishment of the South Tees Development Corporation-
3. Mayoral Development Corporation be added to the work programme

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR

OSC
13/16

The Managing Director gave an update regarding the Autumn Statement and areas of this which relate directly to TVCA and also an update regarding the Northern Powerhouse.

RESOLVED that the update be noted

COMBINED AUTHORITY FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND MANAGEMENT

OSC
14/16

Consideration was given to a report on TVCA financial resources and management.

The report outlined the budget process and financial management arrangements for the TVCA and detailed the expected funding coming into the Combined Authority for the period 2016-2021.

It was highlighted to the Committee that Combined Authorities are now to be granted borrowing powers along the same lines of Local Authorities and that further information will be provided with regard to how this process will work.

It was also highlighted that budget setting for 2016/2017 is currently being worked on and will be considered by TVCA Board in their December meeting

Members were given the opportunity to ask questions or make comment around the report. Discussion took place around the following topics:-

- Breakdown of transport funding
- TVCA borrowing powers
- Enterprise Zones – How the estimated income figures were reached
- Difference between European funding and Local growth fund and how the European funding has been allocated
- Resource available to TVCA for financial management and audit arrangements

Resolved that:-

1. O&S be provided with the further information on the financial framework for Enterprise Zones
2. O&S be provided with a copy of the European Structural Investment Fund strategy
3. A glossary of terms be added to future papers

STATUTORY FRAMEWORK FOR COMBINED AUTHORITY SCRUTINY

**OSC
15/16**

The Committee was asked to note the emerging statutory framework for Overview and Scrutiny and consider how these arrangements should be applied within the Tees Valley. It is expected that the new arrangements will come into force on 8th May 2017 subject to approval by Parliament.

Members were given the opportunity to ask questions or make comment around the report. Discussion took place around the following topics:-

- The process that the Committee will use to initiate call in
- The case for and against establishing an independent budget for O&S Committee
- Training for O&S Committee

Resolved that:-

1. O&S be provided with information as to how the 5 constituent authorities implement call in with a view to agreeing their own process
2. Training for O&S begins with the first session on 8th December, further training will follow.

FORWARD PLAN

OSC Consideration was given to the O&S forward plan
16/16
RESOLVED – that the O&S forward plan be noted

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

OSC The date of the next meeting to be held in Hartlepool on 10th January
17/16 was noted

Tees Valley Combined Authority Overview & Scrutiny

Forward Plan 2016/17

Standing Items

Minutes from the Previous Meeting
 Announcements from the Chair
 Forward Plan
 Date and Venue of the Next Meeting

| Date | Venue | Item / Responsible Officer |
|--|---|---|
| 1 st August 2016 at 2.00pm Informal Meeting | Meeting Room 1, Cavendish House, Teesdale Business Park, Stockton-on-Tees, TS17 6QY | Proposed Overview & Scrutiny Committee work programme 2016/2017 to include possible priorities – Margaret Waggott. |
| 9 th September 2016 at 10.00am Inaugural Meeting | Meeting Room 1, Cavendish House, Teesdale Business Park, Stockton-on-Tees, TS17 6QY | Presentation – Introduction to the Tees Valley Combined Authority – Andrew Lewis & David Budd Overview & Scrutiny Work Programme 2016/2017 – Judith Trainer |
| 12 th October 2016 at 10.30am | Meeting Room 1, Cavendish House, Teesdale Business Park, Stockton-on-Tees, TS17 6QY | Creation of additional jobs Keith Wilson – Economic strategy & intelligence manager TVCA Overview & Scrutiny Forward Plan Sharon Jones, Scrutiny Officer TVCA |
| 24 th November 2016 at 10.30am | Mandela Room Town Hall Albert Road Middlesbrough TS1 2QJ | Budget process and financial management Andrew Lewis – Managing director TVCA Statutory framework for Combined Authority scrutiny – Andrew Lewis Site Visit – Middlesbrough College and Middlehaven. |

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| 10 th January 2017 at 10.30am | Hartlepool College of Further Education Stockton Street Hartlepool TS24 7NT | Portfolio Briefing – Education, Employment & Skills - Christopher Akers-Belcher Apprenticeships Sue Hannan – Employment & Skills Manager TVCA Site Visit – Hartlepool college of Further Education |
| 23rd February 2017 at 10.30am | Redcar & Cleveland Leisure and Community Heart, Ridley Street Redcar TS10 1TD | Mayoral Development Corporations – Andrew Lewis Call in powers for O&S Committee – Sharon Jones Site Visit – TBC |
| 4 th April 2017 at 10.30am | Darlington Committee Room 2 Town Hall Darlington DL1 5QT | Progress report - Creation of additional jobs – Keith Wilson Alignment with the Northern Powerhouse – TBC Transport - TBC Portfolio Briefing – Transport – Councillor Bill Dixon Site Visit - TBC |
| May - TBC | Cavendish House | Housing – TBC Portfolio Briefing – TBC Site Visit - TBC |

Items to be scheduled:

Response to the Heseltine Report – TBC

Culture – to include Portfolio briefing from David Budd – TBC

Business Growth – TBC

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