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**TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY
LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (LEP) BOARD**

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

Monday 9th September 2019 at 5pm

MEETING

ATTENDEES

Members

Paul Booth (Chair)	Tees Valley LEP
Annabel Turpin	Stockton Arc
Nigel Perry	Centre for Process Innovation
Angela Howey	EE
James Ramsbotham	North East Chamber of Commerce (representing Business Representation Organisations)
Siobhan McArdle	South Tees NHS Trust
Mark South	Double 11
Zoe Lewis	Middlesbrough College (representing FE Colleges)
Paul Croney	Teesside University
Cllr Bob Cook	Stockton Borough Council
Cllr Heather Scott	Darlington Borough Council
Cllr Shane Moore	Hartlepool Borough Council
Mayor Andy Preston	Middlesbrough Borough Council

Officers

John Hart	Policy Officer (Private Sector)	TVCA
Julie Gilhespie	Chief Executive	TVCA
Geraldine Brown	Strategy, Policy & Intelligence Manager	TVCA
Neal Smith	Head of Communications	TVCA
Mark Lewis	Technology & Innovation Manager	TVCA
Shona Duncan	Head of Education, Employment and Skills	TVCA
Chris Beck	Director of Business & Skills	TVCA
Gary MacDonald	Director of Finance & Resources	TVCA

Others

Paula McMahon	Engineering Together
Dominic Murphy	Geek Talent

<p>LEP 32/19</p>	<p>CHAIRS WELCOME & APOLOGIES</p> <p>Introductions were given, with the Chair welcoming Chris Beck (TVCA Director of Business & Skills) and Gary MacDonald (TVCA Director of Finance & Resources) to their first LEP Board meeting.</p> <p>The Chair reported that since the previous meeting he had received the resignation of Board Member Albie Pattinson, and asked members to note this.</p> <p>RESOLVED: The resignation of Albie Pattinson was noted by members.</p> <p>The Chair then proposed to members that TVCA Informal Cabinet Meetings in future take place alongside LEP Board meetings on a quarterly basis, allowing members to discuss items due for consideration at TVCA Cabinet. He reported that the proposal would necessitate LEP Board meetings moving forward one week to bring the meetings in line with the TVCA decision-making cycle.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Members agreed to support the proposal.</p>	
<p>LEP 33/19</p>	<p>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING & ACTION TRACKER</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting of August 12th 2019 were agreed and signed as a true record.</p> <p>Consideration was then given to the Action Tracker, with John Hart, Policy Officer (Private Sector), reporting that all outstanding requests made by members would be dealt with either within this meeting or at October's Board Meeting.</p>	
<p>LEP 34/19</p>	<p>ENGINEERING TOGETHER</p> <p>Paula McMahon gave a presentation to members introducing Engineering Together, a new body designed to allow regional engineering organisations to better co-ordinate and communicate their outreach activities.</p>	
<p>LEP 35/19</p>	<p>DIGITAL SKILLS ANALYSIS</p> <p>Mark South, LEP thematic lead for the digital sector introduced a presentation into an analysis of regional digital skills commissioned by TVCA as part of the evidence base for the draft Local Industrial Strategy - requested by members at the August Board meeting – by report author Dominic Murphy of Geek Talent.</p> <p>Dominic Murphy reported that whilst the digital sector in the Tees Valley contributes £700m of GVA to the local economy and supports 7000 jobs there was previously not enough intelligence available as to the nature of these jobs.</p> <p>He reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A need for greater digital intensity across economic sectors. • Tees Valley specialisms in games design and animation, 	

	<p>telecommunications, smart public sector services and advanced web development.</p> <p>RESOLVED: LEP Thematic Lead for Digital to meet with Director of Business & Skills and Head of Education, Employment and Skills to develop ask to government relating to digital careers.</p>	
LEP 36/19	<p>NORTHERN POWERHOUSE ENERGY AND CLEAN GROWTH</p> <p>Mark Lewis, TVCA Technology & Innovation Manager, updated members on the Combined Authority's role as a lead area for the Energy agenda within the NP11 area.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Members noted the report.</p>	
LEP 37/19	<p>POLICY PRIORITIES FOR THE HIGHER AND FURTHER EDUCATION SECTORS</p> <p>Professor Paul Croney, LEP Higher Education Representative, made a presentation to members on policy priorities for the Higher Education Sector, outlining Teesside University's intention to align its strategic priorities with those detailed in the Tees Valley's Strategic Economic Plan and draft Local Industrial Strategy and to develop strategic partnerships with Local Authorities and the local Further Education Sector.</p> <p>Members discussed the possibility of a future LEP Board meeting taking place at the National Horizons Centre.</p> <p>Zoe Lewis, LEP Further Education Representative, introduced a policy paper requested by members at August's LEP Board meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Members noted the reports.</p>	
LEP 38/19	<p>UPDATE FROM THEMATIC LEAD FOR HEALTH</p> <p>Siobhan McArdle, LEP Health Lead, made a presentation to members on health challenges facing the Tees Valley and outlined ongoing discussions with Nigel Perry, LEP lead for Research, Development and Innovation as to what projects and resources could be developed and deployed using regional research strengths and innovation assets to tackle the challenges.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Thematic leads for Health and Research, Development & Innovation to present recommendations at future board meeting</p>	
LEP 39/19	<p>ROUND TABLE UPDATES</p> <p>Julie Gilhespie, TVCA Chief Executive, reported the outcome of the Tees Valley LEP's recent mid-year review with government, which has seen the Tees Valley rise to 19 out of the 38 LEPs (from 37 out</p>	

	of 38 last year) and 3 out of 7 Mayoral Combined Authorities for Local Growth Fund performance.	
LEP 40/19	DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING Monday 7 th October 2019 at 5pm	