

BOARD AGENDA AND BOARD PAPERS

DATE AND TIME: 17th January 2017, 15.00 – 17.00

VENUE: THE CLUB BUILDING, ALCONBURY WEALD ENTERPRISE CAMPUS,
ALCONBURY, CAMBS PE28 4WX

Item	Brief description	Time
1. Welcome and Declarations of Interest	From Chairman, Mark Reeve Board Members are asked to confirm any personal interest in the items set out in this agenda	15.00 5 mins
2. Heartlands Update	Presentation by Neil Gibson and Martin Tugwell, Bucks CC	15.05 25 mins
3. Chief Executive Update	Verbal update Update by Neil Darwin	15.30 10 mins
4. Progress on the Strategic Economic Plan	Presentation on emerging work by Rob Shaw, Director, LDA Design	15.40 20 mins
5. Growth Deal Update i) Growth Deal 3 Outcomes ii) Ely North Junction iii) GPF Project	DEFERRED UNTIL NEXT MEETING	16.00 15 mins
6. Modelling Land Use and Transport Scenarios	Proposal to support Cambridge Ahead's Modelling Development Presentation by Dr Ying Jin and Matthew Bullock, UoC in attendance	16.15 15 mins
7. Strengthening Inward Investment & Innovation support across GCGP	DEFERRED UNTIL NEXT MEETING	16.30 10 mins
8. Agri-Tech Extension Approval and Support Initiative	DEFERRED UNTIL NEXT MEETING	16.40 10 mins
9. Minutes from Board Meeting held on 13 December 2016	To agree Minutes	16.50 5 mins
10. AOB		16.55 5 mins

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 15:00 on Tuesday 7 March 2017

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Item 9: Minutes from Board Meeting held on 13 December 2016

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GREATER CAMBRIDGE GREATER PETERBOROUGH
ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD IN ELY
ON TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2016**

Present: Mark Reeve (Chairman)
John Bridge
Trevor Ellis
Steve Elsom
David Gill
Claire Higgins
Cllr John Holdich
Cllr Robin Howe
Cllr Terry King
Prof Iain Martin
Mark Read
Cllr James Waters

In attendance: Neil Darwin – Chief Executive GCGP
Laura Welham-Halstead – GCGP
Michael Tolond – Company Secretary
Adrian Cannard - GCGP
Michael Barnes – GCGP (for Minute No 2016/76)
Jonathan Vorss-Millins – European Partnership (for Minute No 2016/76)
Ben Smith – Forest Heath and St Edmundsbury DC (for Minute No 2016/77)
Cllr Aidan Van der Weyer – South Cambs DC (for Minute No 2016/78)
Mick Lazarus - BEIS
Graham Hughes – Cambs County Council

MINUTE NO.		ACTION
2016/74	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies for absence were received from Peter Abel, Steve Bowyer, Cllr Steve Count, Terry Elphick, Prof Nigel Slater, Cllr Lewis Herbert and Pete Northover.</p>	
2016/75	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST David Gill declared an interested in respect of Minute No 2016/82 - Sir John Bradfield centre discussions.</p>	

2016/76	<p>EUROPEAN UPDATE</p> <p>Jonathan Vorss-Millins of the East of England European Partnership Brussels office presented an update on Brexit, the political implications in the UK and within the European Community in respect of Article 50 being activated and the effect on membership of the Single Market and the European Customs Union.</p> <p>The Partnership was continuing to work with representations from other countries and would also work to represent the interests of the East of England businesses, academic institutions and other organisations during the transition processes.</p> <p>It was agreed that a briefing on European matters and their effect on businesses within the LEP area would be prepared for circulation. This would also include likely opportunities for businesses within the region.</p>	ND
2016/77	<p>RAF MILDENHALL</p> <p>Ben Smith of Forest Heath and St Edmundsbury District Council presented an update on the RAF Mildenhall Vision and prospectus. Following the withdrawal of all operations from RAF Mildenhall starting in 2019 for completion by around 2023 there would be a significant impact on the local economy. The District Council had issued a prospectus which stated that the site would be used to create a legacy for jobs and industry in Mildenhall as well as 2000 dwellings. The requests to be made from Government and the next steps during the forthcoming 18 months including the development of an effective governance model were outlined.</p> <p>The Board confirmed that their support for the prospectus and comparative data from similar sites elsewhere in the country would be sought to support a common submission to Government for funding.</p>	ND
2016/78	<p>CAMBRIDGE AND ROYSTON CORRIDOR</p> <p>Cllr Aidan Van der Weyer of South Cambs District Council presented an update on the A10 Cycle Project in the Cambridge & Royston Corridor. This was included in the Cambridge and Cambridgeshire Transport Strategy and supported by the Greater Cambridge City Deal. A feasibility study had indicated an estimated cost of £2.5million and there was significant support from local businesses for the project.</p> <p>The Board agreed that the Executive would work with local stakeholders to explore funding mechanisms, including contributions from the private sector businesses that would benefit from the cycle link.</p>	
2016/79	<p>CHIEF EXECUTIVE UPDATE</p> <p>Neil Darwin reported on the recent articles in the Daily Mail relating to LEPs and the developments since the publication in relation to governance issues.</p> <p>Mark Reeve stated that the LEP would need to consider its own approach to matters such as the publication of a register of interests and Board minutes, particularly as GCGP was constituted as a private company limited by guarantee. However, this approach would be proportionate and would need to recognise the formal structure of the company.</p>	
2016/80	<p>GCGP GOVERNANCE</p>	

	<p>Michael Tolond presented the updated GCGP Memorandum and Articles of Association which were based on an original document approved by the Board in 2012 but not filed at Companies House. The updated version also included recent resolutions approved by the Board relating to changes in quorum, the provision of alternate Directors and the minimum number of Directors.</p> <p>A track change document would be provided for Directors to highlight the changes from the previously filed document.</p> <p>The Board approved the updated Articles of Association for filing at Companies House.</p>	MT
2016/81	<p>CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH DEVOLUTION UPDATE</p> <p>Neil Darwin reported that creation of the Combined Authority for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough had been agreed with Government with Mayoral Elections scheduled for May 4th 2017.</p> <p>The Shadow Combined authority would meet for the first time on December 19th with activity taking place across various economic, financial and commercial areas. The LEP was also working on the Strategic Economic Plan (SEP) to support the whole devolution process in particular relating to new house building in the region. The SEP will be the key economic strategy for the area in the eyes of Government. Work is underway to capture the evidence and data available with focus on consultation after Christmas. The SEP will form a strong evidence base from which investment decisions can be taken both GCGP and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority.</p> <p>The Government will provide the first tranche of £20m from the Devolution Deal in February 2017 with the second tranche of £20million in April.</p> <p>The Board agreed that GCGP would continue to focus on devolution issues at Board meetings with the Chair asking for written papers in future.</p>	ND
2016/82	<p>GROWTH DEAL UPDATE</p> <p>Adrian Cannard presented the Growth Deal update and reported on expenditure in the current year and the likely underspend. The Board agreed to carry forward expenditure at the end of the current financial year 2016/17 to 2017/18 and to request the Department for Communities and Local Government to move the funding reserved for Ely Southern Bypass forward from 2018/19 to 2017/18. Neil Darwin confirmed that the spend profile on the iMet project remained on track.</p> <p>The outcome of Growth Deal round 3 which included an offer on the table of £37.6m to the LEP would be published on Monday 19th December. As this was below the £75m that had been applied for the LEP's programmes would need to be reshaped accordingly.</p> <p>Adrian Cannard presented the revised outline proposal for the John Bradfield Centre and the intended project outcomes.</p> <p>Robin Howe stated that if the LEP was investing in the Centre then the LEP should participate in the revenue stream to the extent of its investment and this would be investigated before committing any funds to the project.</p>	

	<p>The Board noted the outcomes of the Local Transport Panel meeting held on 15 November 2016 and the various action points.</p> <p>John Bridge reported that as the Highways Agency was assessing projects up to 2040 the Board would need to consider longer term projects in its strategy. He added that the LEP had been requested to review the Skills Agenda for infrastructure projects in the region and it was agreed that this matter would be included in future Board agendas. The Board would also continue to focus on the proposed Cambridge/Oxford road/rail corridor and the funding for the feasibility study.</p>	ND
2016/83	<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 1st November 2016 were approved. A paper would be prepared relating to the Ely North Junction discussion at the January Board meeting. The issues relating to the delivery of the iMet project were continuing to be reviewed.</p>	ND
2016/84	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>There was none</p>	
2016/85	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The date of the next meeting was fixed for Tuesday 17th January 2017 at Alconbury at 3pm.</p>	