

# DECISIONS

## BLACK COUNTRY LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP

**21<sup>st</sup> March 2018**

<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Decision</b>
	Apologies	<b>Attendance -</b> Stewart Towe, Andy Cox, Simon Eastwood, Chris Handy, Ninder Johal and Professor Geoff Layer. Cllr. Ian Kettle – Dudley MBC; Cllr. Bill Gavan – Sandwell MBC; Cllr Sean Coughlan – Walsall MBC Leader Cllr John Reynolds – City of Wolverhampton (Cabinet Member for City Economy)  <b>Chief Exec</b> – None advised – additional meeting  <b>Apols</b> – Cllrs. Roger Lawrence, Lee Jeavons, Steve Eling, Paul Moore and Patrick Harley. Paul Brown, Tom Westley and Lowell Williams.
47/18	Declarations of Interests, etc.	None
48/18	To Receive the Public Minutes of the Meeting Held on 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	<b>Agreed</b> that the public minutes of the meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 be received and confirmed as a correct record.
49/18	Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF) Pipeline	<b>Agreed that the current position be noted.</b> To note current position.

50/18	LPIF – Goscote Lane Residential Scheme	<p><b>Agreed</b></p> <p>1) Approves the Accountable Body for the Land Fund (Wolverhampton City Council) to proceed to a Grant Agreement with St Francis Group (Goscote) Ltd to the value of £3,590,340 to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund funded elements of the Goscote Lane Residential Development Scheme project - with delivery to commence in the 2018/19 financial year.</p> <p>2) A tripartite agreement has been developed which confirms Homes England will commit to repay the whole of the grant on this project if it progresses a non-residential development scheme on the site.</p>
51/18	LPIF – Dudley MBC Brownfield Land Improvement Programme Phase 2	<p><b>Agreed</b> that the LEP Board approves for the Accountable Body for the Land Fund (Wolverhampton City Council) to proceed to a Grant Agreement with Dudley Council to the value of £2,711,111 to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund funded elements of Dudley Brownfield Land Phase 2 project - with delivery to commence in the 2018/19 financial year.</p>
52/18	LPIF – Parkrose Industrial Estate, Sandwell	<p><b>Agreed</b> that the LEP Board approves the Accountable Body for the Land Fund (Wolverhampton City Council) to proceed to a Grant Agreement with Mint Property Developments Ltd to the value of £757,839 to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund funded elements of Parkrose Industrial Estate project - with delivery to commence in the 2018/19 financial year.</p>

53/18	Minutes of Funding Sub-Board – 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	<p><b>Agreed</b> that the BC LEP Board: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) approve the minutes of the meeting of the Funding Sub-Group held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018, to include all the recommendations and associated conditions contained therein;</li> <li>2) Note the Spring statement announcement in respect of the Governments support to the WMCA of £350m including £100m for extending the brownfield land pot;</li> <li>3) Note that the BC Consortium's Economic Intelligence Unit had already mapped out the brownfield sites and a range of bids would be coming forward.</li> <li>4) Note the Brownfield Land Research Centre (BRIC) required a refreshed, robust business case to be submitted to the Funding Sub-Group in due course;</li> <li>5) That the LEP Board support an independent delivery board for BRIC, to be chaired by the private sector to ensure strong LEP leadership is linked into BRIC.</li> </ol>
54/18	<b>URGENT Business, subject to the agreement of the Chair.</b>	<p><b>Maximising Year End Spend</b></p> <p>Urgent decision required before the next scheduled meeting of the LEP Board – 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) that LEP Board that in addition to the measures approved previously, that permission to implement the table below be agreed, if required, to bring the LGF programme in on target.</li> <li>2) that the LEP Board note, if required, these will be implemented and reported back to the LEP Board and onto the June 2018 BC Executive Joint Committee meeting as part of the overall LGF programme change request approvals, to ensure that the payments can be made and the successful delivery of the programme subsequently reported to through to Government.</li> </ol>
55/18	<b>Dates of Future Meetings</b>	<p><b>Agreed</b> that the Board note the next meeting of the LEP Board would be held on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 – Conference 1, Dudley College, The Broadway, Dudley</p>

56/18	<p><b>Exclusion of the Press and Public: -</b>  ‘That the public and press be excluded from the rest of the meeting to avoid the possible disclosure of exempt information under Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 for the reasons stated on the agenda’.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Agenda</b> (Not Open to Public and Press)</p>	<p><b>Agreed</b> that the public and press be excluded from the rest of the meeting to avoid the possible disclosure of exempt information under Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 for the reasons stated on the agenda – Paragraph 3</p>
57/18	<p>To Receive the Private Minutes of the Meeting Held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018</p>	<p><b>Agreed</b> that the private minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018 be received and confirmed as a correct record.</p>

Finish 11.25am

**54/18**

LOCAL GROWTH FUNDED PROJECTS	Allocations	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	TOTAL
A4101 Pensnett Strategic Access Improvement Scheme	Original		2,348,432	551,568	700,000	200,000	<b>3,800,000</b>
	Additional			<b>900,000</b>	<b>(700,000)</b>	<b>(200,000)</b>	<b>0</b>
	Revised		<b>2,348,432</b>	<b>1,451,568</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,800,000</b>
Goscote Lane Corridor	Original	1,700,000	2,808,000	998,000	2,848,000	466,000	<b>8,820,000</b>
	Additional			<b>3,314,000</b>	<b>(2,848,000)</b>	<b>(466,000)</b>	<b>0</b>
	Revised	<b>1,700,000</b>	<b>2,808,000</b>	<b>4,312,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,820,000</b>
TOTAL	Original	1,700,000	5,156,432	1,549,568	3,548,000	666,000	<b>12,620,000</b>
	Additional			4,214,000	<b>(3,548,000)</b>	<b>(666,000)</b>	<b>0</b>
	Revised	<b>1,700,000</b>	<b>5,156,432</b>	<b>5,763,568</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,620,000</b>