

**BLACK COUNTRY LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP
MEETING OF THE PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

Monday 21st September 2020

PUBLIC DECISION NOTICE

Minute No	Item	Outcome
	Apologies and welcome	<p>Chair</p> <p>Present Tom Westley (Chair), Paul Brown, Cllr. Maria Crompton, Kevin Davis, Rachel Eade, Simon Eastwood, Cherry Elliott, Lindsey Flynn, Chris Handy, Prof Nazira Karodia, Prof Geoff Layer, Jatinder Sharma, Amanda Tomlinson and Cllr. David Vickers</p> <p>Apologies – Cllrs. Mike Bird, Adrian Andrew, Ian Brookfield and Patrick Harley and Paul Brown Sarah Middleton – BCC Ltd Katherine Birch– BCC Ltd Dan Carins – BCC Ltd Delma Dwight – BCC Ltd Jaspal Sohal – BCC Ltd Stuart Everton – BC Director of Transport Kevin O’Keefe – Dudley MBC Richard Lawrence – Sandwell MBC Kelly Valente – Walsall AB Mark Lavender – Walsall AB Michelle Nutt - BEIS</p>
145/20	<p>Declarations of Interests (relating to this meeting and notification of any changes that require the Declaration of Interest form to be revised.)</p> <p>Gift Register - to notify the Company Secretary of any gifts or hospitality with an estimated</p>	Agreed that it be noted that no declarations were made in respect of items on the Agenda.
146/20	Public Minutes of the LEP Board held on 20 th August 2020	Agreed that the minutes of the meeting of the LEP Board, held on 20 th August 2020 be confirmed and approved.

147/20	<p>Policy Update</p> <p>a) BEIS – Mid-Year Review</p> <p>b) LEP Network –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recovery Plan • Chancellor Statement • UK Collaboratorium Research on Infrastructure and Cities <p>EIU</p> <p>a) Economic Intelligence Unit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Impact Dashboard • Covid Impact on BC Towns 	<p>Agreed that the LEP Board receive and note the Policy Updates and EIU updates.</p>
148/20	<p>Growth Hub Peer Networks Programme Approval</p>	<p>Agreed</p> <p>That the LEP Board approves the Accountable Body (Walsall Council) to enter into a grant agreement with the Black Country Consortium Ltd to deliver the Growth Hub Peer Networks programme.</p>
149/20	<p>Local Growth Deal - Accessing Growth Springfield Interchange Change Request</p>	<p>Agreed</p> <p>That the LEP Board:</p> <p>Approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council, to deliver the Local Growth Deal Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Accessing Growth Springfield Interchange project with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.</p>
150/20	<p>PR and Communications Report (Information)</p>	<p>Agreed that the LEP Board receive and note the update.</p>

151/20	<p>Exclusion of the Press and Public: - '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'. Agenda (Not Open to Public and Press) Exempt Information Paragraph 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding</p>	<p>Agreed 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 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).</p>
152/20	Private Minutes of the LEP Board held on 20 th August 2020	Agreed that the private minutes of the meeting of the LEP Board, held on 20 th August 2020 be confirmed and approved.
153/20	Minutes of the Funding Sub-Group held on 2 nd September 2020	Agreed that the private minutes of the meeting held on 2 nd September 2020 be confirmed and approved.
154/20	Policy Update – Midlands Connect Charter (Collaboration Agreement) Autumn 2020	Agreed The BC LEP strongly supporting the approach being undertaken by Midlands Connect in the development of the Midlands Connect Charter (Collaboration Agreement).
155/20	Comprehensive Spending Review - update	Agreed That the LEP Board note the region's approach to the Comprehensive Spending Review and support the inclusion of the BC LEP priorities.
156/20	BC Sector Plans update – Sector Insights	Agreed That the LEP Board note the sector insight and approve the emerging actions to support sector development.
157/20	Risk Register – Covid19 Programme Risk update	Agreed that the contents of the Risk Register be received and noted.

158/20	<p>Local Programmes – Dashboards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growth deal - In Flight Current Financial Year • Growth Deal - Future Years • Black Country Pipeline (PowerBi) • Land and Property Investment Fund • Growing Places Fund • Black Country Enterprise Zones 	<p>Agreed that the contents of the Risk Register be received and noted.</p>
159/20	<p>Project Management Office (PMO) and Single Accountable Body (SAB) - Management funding proposal</p>	<p>Agreed</p> <p>That the Black Country LEP Board approves</p> <p>a) The approval of capital allocations from the identified Growth deal over programming (formerly the Growing Places Fund) detailed in the private report.</p> <p>b) Endorses that the administrative costs of supporting effective programme delivery and ongoing monitoring of schemes continue and are funded through the Growth Deal over programming as set out in Table 3 of the report.</p>
160/20	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p>	<p>Agreed that the LEP Board note the next meeting would take place on 19th October 2020.</p>

