

Infrastructure Sub-Board

DRAFT Minutes of the Board Meeting held
on Friday 28th October 2022 - 10 am
ERGO Business Centre, Bridgehead Business Park, Meadow Road, Hessle

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Attendance

Board Members

Stephen Parnaby OBE (Chair)
Mark Barrett
Andrew Horncastle
Claire Hoskins
David Garness
Cllr Ieronimo
Tony Kirby

Secretariat

Andrew Hewitt, HEY LEP
Karen Philipson, HEY LEP

Guests

Kirsti Lord – Bishop Burton College
Simon Brown, National Highways
Cameron Farrell, National Highways

1. Welcome & Introductions

Kirsti Lord, Simon Brown and Cameron Farrell were welcomed to the meeting by the Chair and Board Members.

2. Apologies

Eman Allam-Forster
Richard Beal
Dominic Gibbons
Mark Jones
Linda Martin
Alan Menzies
Tim Rix

3. Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Board members they should make clear any Declarations of Interest to the Board either at the beginning of the meetings or as discussions arose.

The following Declarations were received:

Andrew Horncastle – Investment Zone sites

4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 26th August 2022 & Matters Arising**

All Agreed - and there were no matters arising.

5. **Chair's Update**

The Chair updated on the following: -

- New government changes
- Local Government Spending Settlement delayed for LAs
- HEYLEP – no decision yet on funding and at what level
- Investment Zones – how does that fit with Freeports – are they the same thing and what is the new government's appetite to deliver this scheme.
- Freeports – work is ongoing on Full Business Case document which will be submitted to government when complete.
- Combined Authorities – Discussions currently ongoing between Local Authorities and Government.

Graham Stuart MP, Climate Minister, be invited to the next Board meeting - Agreed

6. **Infrastructure Workforce Skills Discussion**

Kirsti Lord, Bishop Burton College presented to the Board Group following on from a discussion at the Board meeting in August. The following points were covered:

- How the curriculum is set
- Funding Streams
- 16-18 Study Programmes
- Apprenticeships

- Adult Education Budget
- Higher Education
- Challenges to College delivery (workforce/ funding)

Slides are attached for information and reference purposes

7. Investment Zones

As part of the mini budget of the 23rd of September the government announced their Investment Zone policy aimed at attracting new investment and new jobs to successful zones. Investment Zones are intended accelerate housing and investment site infrastructure building on the experience of Enterprise Zones. Streamlined planning and tax incentives are provided to investors who locate on these sites when allocated.

These can provide Planning, tax incentives and infrastructure benefits for areas where allocated.

Conversations have been undertaken with 38 Local Authorities in England and these areas have been invited to submit EOIs for allocation as Investment Zones which closed on the 14th of October. Both East Riding and Hull CC have been invited to submit EOIs for Investment Zone status.

Claire Hoskins confirmed East Riding of Yorkshire Council had submitted bids for various sites in their area.

Cllr Ieronimo confirmed there was a bid in from Hull City Council also for various sites identified for investment.

The update was noted by the Board

8. National Highways Update

Simon Brown from National Highways attended to provide an update on National Highways projects in the area:

- Ouse Bridge - The installation of a new set of bridging plates over two of the EB joints commences in mid-November with a planned completion in early December. These plates will enable the works to replace the two joints to commence immediately after the Christmas break.

- A63 Castle Street - The scheme is still progressing through construction of the underpass including tension piling and diaphragm wall construction, this will continue into late 2023. The overall Castle Street Scheme is planned to complete in Spring 2025.

RIS3 - The main reports that will start off the public RIS3 planning are expected to get published over the next months:

- National Highways Strategic Road Network Initial Report – published autumn 2022
- DfT Public Consultation on SRNIR – published autumn 2022
- National Highways: route strategy initial overview reports; and Connecting the Country (SRN masterplan) – published autumn 2022
- Draft RIS (DfT) – published spring 2023
- Summary of responses to DfT public consultation – published spring 2023.

National Highways would welcome specific feedback in the consultation over particular improvement schemes that the area would like to see progressed, or specific challenges that you would like to see studied with a view to future schemes being commissioned.

9. **Hull Transport Strategy Update**

Cllr Ieronimo updated.

- Residents Survey by HCC – high levels of engagement
- Transport Summit- key stakeholders

Cllr Ieronimo to report back in further detail at the Board Meeting on 16th December 2022

10. **Any Other Business**

There was no other business

11. **Date and time of next meeting**

Friday 16th December 2022, 10.00 am at the ERGO Business Centre

Signed:

Stephen Parnaby OBE
Chair

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