

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE

TOWNS FUND BOARD

9 October 2020 MS Teams

PRESENT

Mary Stuart (Chair), University of Lincoln, Councillor Waltham MBE, North Lincolnshire Council Simon Green, Deputy Chief Executive North Lincolnshire Council, Holly Mumby-Croft MP (Chair), Lesley Potts, North Lincolnshire Council, Kishor Tailor, Humber LEP, Ruth Carver, Greater Lincolnshire LEP, Diana Taylor, Marketing Humber, Samantha Cook, Hampton by Hilton, Lisa Oakley, Nationwide Building Society, Sophie Day, British Steel, Jo Corney, Department of Work and Pensions (DWP).

Debbie Frary was also in attendance.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Dr Faisal Baig, North Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group (NLCCG), Denise Hyde, North Lincolnshire Council, Andrew Percy MP, Peter Campey, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, Jo Dixon, HBP Systems, David Atkin, British Steel, Duncan Willey, PPH Commercial,

The meeting was held as a Teleconference.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed all those present to the meeting and welcomed Ruth Carver, Chief Executive Greater Lincolnshire LEP to the Board.

48 NOTES AND ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Mary thanked Holly Mumby-Croft for chairing the meeting in her absence. All actions were covered in the meeting agenda. **Resolved** - That the minutes of the meetings of the North Lincolnshire Towns Fund Board, held on 18 September 2020, be approved as a correct record.

49 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND PERSONAL OR PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and personal or personal and prejudicial interests. A reminder was raised for any outstanding Pecuniary Interest forms to be returned as soon as possible.

50 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Lisa Oakley, Nationwide Building Society, updated the group on the work undertaken so far. The Task and Finish Group have met twice and the feedback so far has been that although projects have happened, involvement of the community has not always happened to ensure the projects are the right projects, therefore it was agreed engagement with the wider community is needed. There are 2 more Task and Finish Group meetings

arranged and the final meeting will bring the work to a close ready to present to the Board at the next meeting. It was noted that the Youth Hub Proposal has now been signed off which is a good example of how different sectors are working together. A framework is being looked at by the Task and finish Group and the Voluntary Sector are looking at community engagement principles that can be included.

Resolved – Work is progressing through the Task and Finish Group and this work will be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

51 TOWNS FUND VISION

A confidential discussion was held on this item. The report is considered to be exempt and not for circulation in the public domain on the ground that it contains the likely disclosure of commercial information of exempt nature as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

A draft vision statement was presented to the board for their comments and approval before circulation to the broader public. Feedback and comments were received as follows: It was agreed to include Digital Connectivity throughout the whole statement. It was agreed to use the term Leisure and Culture instead of just Leisure. To ensure the language used is right for the audience intended.

Resolved – The Board agreed the vision statement following the amendments agreed in the discussion. Lesley Potts, North Lincolnshire Council agreed to circulate the final statement to the board before submitting it for broader circulation to the public

52 PROJECT PRIORITISATION & UPDATE

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Simon Green, North Lincolnshire Council, thanked the Board for their time over the last 7 months and informed them that decisions needed to be made on the indicative list of projects at the meeting to enable the Investment Plan to be signed off at the next meeting. The document would then be finalised and circulated to the board prior to the next meeting. The board were asked to prioritise the projects using the following categories using the information currently held.

- 1- Yes
- 2- Probably
- 3- No

Resolved

60 Acre Business Park (£4M)	- 1 (unanimous)
Broadband (20%)	- 1 (unanimous)
Skills/Community Development (£2.5M)	- 1 (unanimous)
Green Private Wire	
District Heating Network only (£1.4M)	- 1 (unanimous)
New Hospital Land Assembly (£1M)	- 1
Museum (£7M)	- 1 (not unanimous and digital connectivity emphasis to be enhanced within the vision).

East to West Connectivity	- include in narrative but no funding required
Urban Park	- not for prioritisation. Further detail on the project to be brought back to the next meeting
Town land Assembly	- Project supported
Project Ark	- Awaiting further detail before a decision is made
Active Travel	- Project to be brought back to the next meeting with an Ask funding amount

53 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The board were informed that there is a challenge session with government on 21 October. Lesley Potts and Simon Green, North Lincolnshire Council will be attending the session but further Board Members were requested to attend in support.

Resolved – Cllr Rob Waltham and Cllr Holly Mumby-Croft offered their support. It was also agreed for Lesley Potts, North Lincolnshire Council to circulate the request to those board members not present at the meeting.

54 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The Chair confirmed the next meeting as Friday 13 November 2020, 2.00 - 4.00 pm via MS Teams and Friday 4th December 10.30am Invites confirmed in diaries.