

DORSET LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP: BUSINESS GROWTH AND INWARD INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
04 March 2021 - 09.30 AM TO 11.00 AM
Via Microsoft Teams
ACTION & DECISION LOG

PRESENT: John Sutcliffe – Chair (JS), John Beesley (JB), Cecilia Buffon (CB), Jayne Codling (JC), Dan Cox (DC), Rob Emony (RE), Mike Gould (MG), Julian Grazebrook (JG), Glyn Hughes (GH), Ian Jones (IJ), Finn Morgan (FM) Geoff Sagar (GS), Jacqui Timms (JT), David Walsh (DW),

IN ATTENDANCE: Sergi Martorell (SM), Glass ai, Simon Hooton (SH), Hatch Associates, George Harrington (GH), Hatch Associates, Amy Spreadbury (AS), Lucy Green (LG), David Mutton (DM), Rebecca Davies (RD)

APOLOGIES: Adrian Trevett (AT), Ian Girling (IG), Sophia Storey (SS), Arabella Lewis-Smith, Nick Gaines (NG),

Item	Subject/Title	Item ref.	Action/Decision	Owner	Deadline	Progress
1.	Action and Decision log	1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dorset Ambassadors: Details of the next Dorset Ambassadors virtual business forum would be sent to the committee members. FM explained that a schedule of regular engagements were being developed. Dorset Ambassadors would be invited to provide their input to help develop programme. 	FM and AS	-	In progress
2.	Purpose and People Membership Update	2.1.	<p>Committee Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JS welcomed Julian Grazebrook and Cllr Mike Gould as new members of the Committee. FM would circulate copies of Dorset's Local Industrial Strategy to both new members. 	FM	-	Complete
3.	Strategy Supply Chain Resilience Study	3.1.	<p>Hatch Associates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> George Harrington (Hatch Associates) and Sergi Martorell (glass ai) presented a summary of the supply chain study project they had been commissioned to deliver. This included a preview of the draft Power BI dashboard. FM would circulate a link to the final Power BI dashboard when it was completed. The final report to accompany the dashboard would be made available ahead of the next committee meeting in May. 	FM	27/05/21	On agenda

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FM would liaise with DW and AT from both councils to review the data and report findings. 	FM, DW and AT	27/05/201	On agenda
	Dorset Business Support	3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RD presented and overview of Dorset LEP's core business support and the broader business support landscape across the county. RD advised the committee members of the requirements on the LEP to focus on key themes such as business recovery, R&D active business support and high-growth SMEs. - It was agreed that FM would speak with JC about better linking into Innovate UK EDGE as an extension of existing business innovation support. 	FM	27/05/21	Update to be provided
	International Trade	3.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RE explained that the DIT Director for the Southern England Region had met with Dorset LEP Director in February to discuss the DIT priority sectors with Dorset. It was agreed that any alignment of priority sectors between DIT and Dorset would allow Dorset to benefit from DIT's activities. Three areas were identified where priority sectors for FDI promotion matched and it is proposed that these areas would be prioritised for funded marketing support as part of the core funding from the Dorset Gateway's budget over the next 12 months. These areas were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Defence and Security o Digital Health and MedTech o Clean Growth - These areas were deemed to have significant, medium to long-term economic importance at a national and local level in terms of attracting further and new investment. However, these will be reviewed annually by the Business Growth and Inward Investment Committee with future recommendations being presented back to the Board. 	FM	26/08/2021	In progress

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4.	Forward Plan	4.1	- JT would circulate dates for committee meetings covering 2021/22 to committee members	JT	11/03/21	Completed
5.	Any Other Business	5.1	- Nothing raised	-	-	-