

DORSET LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP BOARD

22 MARCH 2018

10.00 AM TO 12.30 PM AT KINGSTON MAURWARD COLLEGE

MINUTES

Board Attendees:

Emma Hunt (EH)
Ian Girling (IG)
Jim Andrews (JA)
Jim Stewart (JS) - Chair
Cllr John Beesley (JB)
Luke Rake (LR)
Cllr Mohan Iyengar (MI) - Borough of Poole (representing Cllr Janet Walton)
Cllr Rebecca Knox (RK)
Sara Uzzell (SU)

Also Present:

Catherine Bonnett (CB) - Dorset LEP
Chris Shephard (CS) - Bournemouth Borough Council
Heather Lappin (HL) - Dorset County Council
Kate Ryan (KR) - Borough of Poole
Kathryn Hill (KH) - Dorset LEP
Professor Keith Phalp (KP) - Bournemouth University
Lorna Carver (LC) - Dorset LEP
Mike Harries (MH) - Dorset County Council
Rob Dunford (RD) - Dorset LEP
Tony Bray (TB) - BEIS

Apologies:

Alison Moore (AM)
Andrew Wickham (AW)
Cllr Gary Suttle (GS)
Cllr Janet Walton (JW)
John Sutcliffe (JSu)
Kim Slowe (KS)
Nigel Evans (NE)
Richard Smith (RS)

Item	Notes and Decisions	Action
1.	<p>Apologies were received for: Alison Moore, Andrew Wickham, Cllr Gary Suttle, Cllr Janet Walton, John Sutcliffe, Kim Slowe, Nigel Evans and Richard Smith.</p> <p>JA declared an interest in Agenda Item 4.3</p>	
2.	<p>The Minutes were agreed as an accurate reflection of the last meeting. There were no matters arising.</p>	
3.	Strategy	
3.1	<p>Strategy Paper</p> <p>JS introduced the agenda item and LC went through the paper. A discussion took place around Dorset’s priority sectors and the options were discussed.</p> <p>A discussion took place on continuing with cross LEP working and the Board expressed ambition</p> <p>The Board agreed the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To update the SEP • To do more work on specificity • JB/JA/EH volunteered to work with the Solent LEP. A meeting will be set up and more information will follow. • LR/RK volunteered to work with the Great South West <p>ACTION: If any other Board Members would like to volunteer for either the Great South West or working with the Solent LEP to contact LC.</p>	All
3.2	<p>Great South West Update</p> <p>TB gave an update on the Great South West.</p> <p>RD gave an update on the Great South West. IG informed that he was trying to get all the accredited Chambers in the South West to speak as one voice and a meeting was being held next week on this.</p> <p>The Board agreed the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board notes the activity in developing the Great South West work to “back the South West”. • The Board acknowledges the additional resource being put into the programme of work. • The Board is asked to engage in communications activity around Great South West moving forward, positively promoting the brand in relevant discussions wherever appropriate. • LR/RK volunteered to join the Great South West Steering Group. 	

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3.	Strategy Cont'd	
3.3	<p>Housing Update</p> <p>CB explained housing was now identified as one of Government's key priorities. RK said that she Chairs the Dorset Joint Committee and discussions were going to take place about how to merge 6 planning authorities into one. She mentioned there was an opportunity for closer working relationships with the LEP going forward.</p> <p>LR asked if the Board was happy to share this paper with the Rural Enterprise Group. The Board confirmed they were.</p> <p>Action: JS to speak to JB regarding the LEP making representation to Government.</p> <p>The Board approved the refreshed Dorset Local Enterprise Partnerships strategic housing goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To work with local authority partners in developing a strategic approach to the delivery of new housing in Dorset. • To work with partners to take a strategic approach to attract housing funding and investment to Dorset. • To support the house building and construction sector to deliver the housing growth required in Dorset. • To promote the importance of housing development to support economic growth and improve productivity • To promote and enable greater links between the public and private sector to facilitate an acceleration in house building. 	JS
3.4	<p>2018/19 Budget (Commercial in Confidence)</p> <p>LC ran through the budget paper and the budget was discussed.</p>	
4.	Delivery	
4.1	<p>Delivery Update (Commercial in Confidence)</p> <p>RD ran through the paper and gave an update on the projects.</p>	
4.2	<p>Dorset Growth Hub (Commercial in Confidence)</p> <p>LC ran through the paper and a discussion took place.</p>	

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4.	Delivery Cont'd	
4.3	<p>Growth Deal 2 Updated Proposal (Commercial in Confidence)</p> <p>JA declared an interest in this item. Professor Keith Phalp of Bournemouth University joined the meeting and explained the concept of the project.</p> <p>JA and Professor Phalp left the room while the Board discussed the proposal.</p> <p>RK left the meeting at 12.30 pm</p>	
5.	Governance	
5.1	<p>Annual Conversation Update</p> <p>LC explained that the LEP team were working towards meeting every requirement of the Mary New review and that we need to make sure we are in full compliance.</p> <p>JA left the meeting at 12.42 pm</p>	
6.	Papers for Information	
6.1	<p>Sub Group Updates</p> <p>The Board noted the contents of the Sub Group Update papers.</p> <p>Rural Enterprise Group - LK gave a brief update on the Rural Enterprise Group and mentioned that Kingston Maurward are hosting the Enabling Rural Productivity Conference on Friday 23 March.</p>	
6.2.1	<p>Communications Update</p> <p>The Board noted the contents of the paper.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board to highlight future stakeholder engagement activity (visits, meetings etc.) • Suggestions for inclusion in the newsletter please let Charlotte Knight know. <p>ACTION: Can Board Member organisation’s communications colleagues publicise the work of Dorset LEP as appropriate.</p>	All
6.2.2	<p>Dorset LEP Achievement And Delivery (Commercial in Confidence)</p> <p>The Board noted the contents of the paper, the Dorset LEP delivery to date and to promote where possible.</p>	

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7.	Any Other Business	
	RD mentioned that Exeter University were hosting a roundtable with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on Monday 26 March. The roundtable will be with senior representatives from across the area and will be an opportunity to discuss key international topics that impact the local area. Action: If anyone is interested in attending please contact RD.	All

Note: Date of Next Meeting - 22 May 2018 at Bournemouth University

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