

#### **OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING**

#### **15 FEBRUARY**

10AM -12PM

#### **Invited Attendees:**

- Chair: TBC
- Independent: Aaron Lawes (Deputy Chair), May Palmer
- DLEP: Lorna Carver (Director), Sara Uzzell (Board Member), Corrina Osborne (Head of Governance & Operations), Daniela Doncakova (Senior Programme Manager)
- BCP: Councillor Paul Hilliard, Councillor Lawrence Williams
- Dorset Council: Councillor Jon Andrews, Councillor Dave Bolwell

#### AGENDA

| Item | Subject/ Title   | Presenter       | Actions / Recommendations   | Documents / web resources  |
|------|--|-----------------|---|--|
| 1.   | Welcome<br>Apologies and Declarations<br>of Interest                     | Sara Uzzell     | Record Declarations of Interest   | -  |
| 2.   | Chair nomination   | Sara Uzzell     | To allocate a Chair.  |  |
| 3.   | Actions from last meeting  | Sara Uzzell     | Note the actions on the following page are<br>completed or will be by the conclusion of<br>the January meeting. | Minutes from September meeting   |
| 4.   | Overview of Governance &<br>Assurance Arrangements                       | Corrina Osborne | -   | <ul> <li>Overview of Governance</li> <li><u>Governance Structure</u></li> <li><u>Current Board membership</u></li> <li><u>Board member webpage</u></li> </ul>  |
| 5.   | Strategy: the impact of<br>COVID-19 on Dorset LEP<br>strategic direction | Corrina Osborne | -   | <ul> <li>Covid impact on strategy</li> <li>Local Industrial Strategy</li> <li>Dorset LEP Business Plan 2020/21</li> <li>Investment Prospectus</li> <li>COVID-19 Economic Impacts &amp;<br/>Recovery: Dorset</li> </ul> |



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|------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 6.   | Risk Management Framework | Corrina Osborne | -                                     | Risk Management Framework             |
|      |                           |                 |                                       | <u>Risk Management Framework</u>      |
| 7.   | Project Lifecycle         | Daniela         | -                                     | Decision Making & Due Diligence       |
|      |                           | Doncakova       |                                       | Policy                                |
|      |                           |                 |                                       | <u>Monitoring and Evaluation Plan</u> |
| 8.   | Future Work Programme     | Sara Uzzell     | To agree recommendations for areas of | Draft Work Programme document         |
|      | discussion                |                 | activity to review.                   |                                       |
| 9.   | Any other business        | All             | -                                     | -                                     |

Date of next meeting: 27 April 10am-12pm.



#### ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

| Action   | Status  |
|--|---|
| Action 1: SU to provide an overview of Board activity/ key changes at the beginning of future Overview & Scrutiny Committee meetings.  | Ongoing. This will occur in the meeting.  |
| Action 2: CO to circulate link to published Performance & Investment Committee papers and Audit, Finance & Corporate Risk Committee papers after each respective meeting.  | Completed.  |
| Action 3: CO to provide information for the Committee in advance of the January meeting related to risk management, the impact of Covid-19 on strategic direction and the governance of committees feeding into the Board and the evolution of Board membership to inform discussions. | Completed. Papers/ links included in pack for Committee<br>and presentation will take place within January meeting. |
| Action 4: CO to invite Martina Hanulova to the January meeting to provide an overview<br>and to circulate key policies on project decision making and governance.  | Completed. Papers included in pack for Committee and presentation will take place within January meeting.           |
| Action 5: Committee to send any questions from published papers in advance to CO.  |   |
| Action 6: It was agreed that work programmes beyond January would be determined at the next meeting and CO to add to the agenda.   | Completed.  |
| Action 7: CO to make a note of the suggestions for future work for discussion.   | Completed -added to future work programme document.   |
| Action 8: It was agreed that the January meeting should be extended to 2.5 hours.  | Completed.  |





#### DORSET LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (LEP) OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

#### 9 SEPTEMBER 2020 FROM 3-5pm

#### VIDEO CONFERENCING MEETING

#### MINUTES

#### Committee Attendees:

Phil Broadhead (PB) Aaron Lawes (AL) Jon Andrews (JA) Paul Hilliard (PH)

#### Also Present:

Lorna Carver (LC) (Dorset LEP) Corrina Osborne (CO) (Dorset LEP) Sara Uzzell (SU) (Dorset LEP Board member)

#### Apologies

Dave Bolwell (DB)

| Item | Notes and Decisions   | Action |
|------|---|--------|
| 1.   | Apologies were noted.   |        |
|      | PB welcomed all to the meeting. He stated the purpose of this meeting is to scope the future work porgramme and to address any pressing matters.  |        |
|      | There were no declarations of interest and PB reminded the Committee to complete and return their Conflict of Interest forms.   |        |
| 2.   | Actions from last meeting   |        |
|      | <ul> <li>The Committee noted the following actions as completed:</li> <li>Action 1: Schedule Committee meeting three times per year.</li> <li>Action 2: Update terms of reference regarding casting vote of the Chair.</li> <li>Action 3: Circulate minutes, presentation and call for further ideas and establish a meeting for early September. Following this, meetings would be scheduled for 3 times per year.</li> <li>It was noted under Action 1 that the Committee agreed additional meetings can be added if needed.</li> <li>The minutes were agreed as an accurate reflection of the last meeting.</li> </ul> |        |
| 3.   | Euturo Work Programmo   |        |
| 3.   | Future Work Programme           The draft Future Work Programme document had been circulated to the   |        |
|      | Committee in advance of the meeting. CO explained that priority areas had<br>been suggested for the January meeting within the paper; these were the<br>overview of governance arrangements as this would provide wider context for<br>the Committee and the impact of covid-19 on strategy as this was timely.   |        |
|      | SU recommended that at the start of all future meetings, an overview of key<br>areas of Board activity and pertinent changes since the last meeting are<br>verbally highlighted for context and agreed to provide this at future meetings.<br>This will ensure the Committee are not just informed as to how decisions are<br>made but how activity is kept on track and how we work responsively to  |        |

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| constantly deliver. PB was supportive of this approach and stated that the<br>Committee should review matters retrospectively but must also undertake<br>forward facing work to ensure recommendations can be fed into future<br>decision making.<br>Action: SU to provide an overview of Board activity/ key changes at the<br>beginning of future Overview & Scrutiny Committee meetings.  | SU |
|--|----|
| SU gave an overview of Board activity since the last meeting and highlighted<br>that the Board papers capture all formal discussions. Key areas of activity<br>specified by SU included the matter of the end of the Growth Deal Funding<br>period and ensuring partners deliver on activity before the end of March 2021<br>to avoid any funds being returned to government.  |    |
| CO added that the Performance & Investment Committee is responsible for<br>the performance of projects which includes risk at an individual level and the<br>Audit, Finance & Corporate Risk Committee is responsible for considering any<br>corporate level risk. She recommended that the link to the published<br>Performance & Investment Committee papers and Audit, Finance &<br>Corporate Risk Committee papers are circulated each time they are published<br>to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and this was agreed.<br>Action: CO to circulate link to published Performance & Investment Committee<br>papers and Audit, Finance & Corporate Risk Committee papers after each<br>respective meeting. | со |
| SU stated another key area of Board activity currently is centred around<br>strategy and creating and Investment Prospectus based on the Local<br>Investment Strategy to demonstrate programmes of activity to accelerate the<br>Dorset ambition. Key to this is ensuring Local Authority strategies are<br>complementary and aligned.   |    |
| SU informed the Committee that the Board will also be considering the Board member recruitment process in September. PB thanked SU for the update.   |    |
| <ul> <li>PB reflected that three areas of activity should inform the January work programme for the committee: <ol> <li>Risk: an overview as to how this is managed.</li> <li>Strategy: the impact of covid-19 on Dorset LEP strategic direction.</li> </ol> </li> <li>II. Governance: how each of the committees feed into the Board and how the Board membership is evolving.</li> </ul>   |    |
| Action: CO to provide information for the Committee in advance of the January meeting related to all of the three areas to inform discussions.   | СО |
| JA asked whether any flexibility would be given by government for Growth<br>Deal Funding and LC confirmed there would not be. She highlighted that<br>many projects within this fund were due to complete in December 2019 and<br>therefore have three months flex to meet the March 2021 deadline, that the<br>projects are monitored closely with the delivery partners and that the Dorset<br>LEP is confident delivery will be on time. She also highlighted that there is a<br>pipeline of ready-to-go projects which meet Green Book Assessment should<br>any project look as though it cannot deliver and funds can be allocated to<br>these.   |    |
| PB asked how the Overview & Scrutiny Committee would gain oversight of the scrutiny of existing projects. CO recommended that Martina Hanulova be invited to give an overview presentation and key policies on decision making   |    |

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| are shared with the group to provide an overview of the project lifecycle. CO<br>highlighted that any future funding that would 'replace' the Growth Deal<br>Funding would likely be managed in the same way and therefore the<br>Committee review of current arrangements has the potential to inform future  |           |
| practice.<br>Action: CO to invite Martina Hanulova to the January meeting to provide an<br>overview and also to circulate key policies on project decision making and<br>governance.   | со        |
| AL stated that there may be less value in looking closely at existing individual projects given how close January is to the end of the Growth Deal Funding period in March 2021. CO recommended that the Committee consider looking at the entire programme of the Growth Deal rather than projects as the Performance & investment Committee already monitor individual projects. AL agreed that reviewing the programme would be more valuable in terms of making recommendations for future funding. PB highlighted the role the Overview & Scrutiny Committee can play in reviewing at a high level the work of other Committees who may be too close to the detail. |           |
| <ul> <li>PB summarised that the structure of the January meeting should be as follows:</li> <li>Overview of Board activity since the last meeting from SU.</li> <li>Discussion on any items of interest within in Board papers.</li> <li>Work programme items.</li> </ul>  |           |
| Action: CO to circulate link to published Board papers after each Board  | СО        |
| meeting.<br>Committee to send any questions from published papers in advance to CO.  | Committee |
| It was agreed that work programmes beyond January would be determined<br>at the next meeting.<br>Action: CO to add to the agenda.  | со        |
| PB invited the Committee to make any suggestions for future work programme items.  |           |
| PH stated that best practice should be a future area of focus and could be an ongoing activity for future meetings. SU added detail that peer review occurs via the Annual Conversation held between the Dorset LEP and the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. SU also said more informal sharing of best practice occurs between LEPs such as an exercise undertaken recently with Yorkshire & Humber LEP and on specific topics for instance around Enterprise Zones.  |           |
| PH stated he would be interested in the review of the Dorset Innovation Park.  |           |
| SU stated another future agenda item should relate to energy and digital connectivity across Dorset as well as MP engagement and alignment with the strategy of the Dorset LEP.  |           |
| JA added that another item could be the funding allocations across Dorset.<br>Action: CO to make a note of the suggestions for future discussion.  | СО        |
| Any Other Business   |           |
| It was agreed that the January meeting should be extended to 2.5 hours.<br>Action: CO to extend the duration of the January meeting invitation.  | со        |



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| Meeting Date                | 15.02.21            |                             |                |
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| Security Level:             | Confidential 🗆      | Commercially<br>Sensitive 🗆 | Unclassified x |
| Paper Title                 | Overview of Governo | ance                        |                |
| Papers are<br>provided for: |                     |                             | Information x  |

#### 1. PURPOSE

This paper gives an overview of Dorset LEP governance.

#### 2. SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

#### 2.1 Overview of LEPs

LEPs were set up in 2011 as non-statutory partnerships between the public sector and the private sector.

There are 38 LEPs across England and they play a central role in determining local economic priorities and undertaking activities to drive economic growth and job creation, improve infrastructure and raise workforce skills within the local area. LEPs have responsibility for bidding for central government funding and influencing local funding streams and ensuring that these deliver against the locally agreed priorities. There is no single model of LEPs but all adhere to the same National Assurance Framework principles.

The Board is the governing body of the Dorset LEP and is tasked with developing localised strategies, setting priorities and supporting delivery teams. The Board is made up of public and private sector volunteers from across the Dorset area and from a wide range of industries and led by a business Chair. Dorset LEP is established as a company and Board members are company directors.

#### 2.2 National Governance

The government has entrusted LEPs with significant public funds and as such they have a responsibility to achieve their objectives. LEPs are expected to have clear systems, rules, practices and processes in place to ensure that decisions are made in a transparent manner, by the appropriate persons or groups and on merit.

LEPs are accountable to government through their relationship with the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and their cross department Cities and Local Growth Unit. LEPs are subject to regular review by government in order to assure they are fit for purpose, acting within the governance policies and sufficiently well-resourced to deliver their objectives, particularly in relation to the industrial strategy.

The National Local Growth Assurance Framework is the primary document that sets out the government's operating guidance for LEPs to develop their own Local Assurance Frameworks. Members of the LEP Board, other LEP committees, advisory groups and LEP officers must work within these agreed governance structures and should at all times demonstrate the highest standards of conduct.

Several reviews of LEPs have been conducted:

- Ney Review of Local Enterprise Partnership Governance and Transparency (2017)
- Strengthened Local Enterprise Partnerships Review (2018)



• Local Enterprise Partnerships: An Update on Progress (2019).

#### 2.3 Local Governance

The Local Assurance Framework sets out how we take decisions, and the processes we go through for taking decisions involving public funding. It covers governance and decision making, transparency, accountability, strategic ambition and direction, roles and responsibilities, policies and procedures, decision making and ensuring value for money and effective programme delivery.

Committees and working groups are made up of Board members and industry professionals and the Dorset LEP Board is the ultimate decision-making function. The LEP Chair and Director establish and embedded culture of transparency and accountability through proactive leadership.



Fig 1. Governance structure



# **Board Decision Making**



Performance and Investment Committee has delegated powers regarding decision making over changes to projects within the programme:

Scope: agree changes to a scheme that achieve the original purpose (may arise from 'value for money' assessment or re-engineering a scheme).

- Time: agree phasing or completion by 2 quarters move
- Budget: agree a10% change of project value.

Re-profile: agree a 5% of project cost, across a financial year.

Any decision outside of the defined range must be in the form of a recommendation to the Dorset LEP Board

Fig 2. Board decision making

#### 2.4 Dorset LEP Board

The Dorset LEP Board is the ultimate decision-making function. Board members are Dorset LEP company directors and are bound by Articles of Association and they must complete adhere by policies such as Local Assurance Framework, Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest etc.

The Board is private sector led (80%) and the 20 current members can be found on our webpage <u>https://www.dorsetlep.co.uk/board-members</u>. There is a dedicated Equality and Diversity member of the Board and SME member of the Board.

Membership is 3 years with the option to extend for a further three and all roles other than that of Chair are not remunerated.

All members are recruited through an open and transparent process and the most recent recruitment round was November 2020 following which we now have a strong pipeline of members. All new Board members undergo an induction process.

#### 2.5 Accountable Body Function

Dorset LEP Board, and its supporting governance structure is the strategic body responsible for taking decisions on Dorset LEP business and Dorset LEP programme activity. The Accountable Body is responsible for overseeing the proper administration of financial affairs within the Dorset LEP when these affairs relate to public funds. Dorset LEP and the Accountable Body work together to agree an effective responsibility arrangement, including defining roles and responsibilities, and mutually supporting each other to provide good governance.

Dorset Council is the Accountable Body for Dorset LEP and it has 2 key functions: Finance: holding public funds paid by Government on behalf of the Dorset LEP and processing payments.



Oversight: ensuring public funds are handled in line with the relevant procedures and grant conditions and that funds are used with propriety, regularity and deliver value for money. This includes an oversight function of processes such as Dorset LEP governance and transparency arrangements, compliance with the Framework and agreement on scrutiny arrangements, to ensure that the checks and reporting requirements of the Section 151 Officer are met; this includes retaining appropriate documentation on decisions around funding.

#### 2.6 Section 151 Officer

Aidan Dunn is the Section 151 Officer and holds the role of Executive Director (Corporate Development) at the Accountable Body (Dorset Council).

The Section 151 Officer as financial and governance oversight of decisions made by Dorset LEP. This role ensures oversight of the proper administration of financial affairs with the Dorset LEP is carried out throughout the year and provides documentation to government to confirm this annually. The Section 151 Officer invited to all Board meetings but is not entitled to vote or otherwise make LEP decisions.

#### 3. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

None – for information only.



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| Meeting Date                | 15.02.21           |   |                |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---|----------------|--|--|--|
| Security Level:             | Confidential 🗆     | Commercially<br>Sensitive 🗆               | Unclassified X |  |  |  |
| Paper Title                 | Update on the impa | Update on the impact of Covid on Strategy |                |  |  |  |
| Papers are<br>provided for: |                    |   | Information X  |  |  |  |

#### 1. PURPOSE

This paper gives an overview of the impact of Covid on Dorset LEP strategy.

#### 2. SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

The following table outlines the development of strategy and the incorporation of Covid into this.

| Date   | Strategy   | Comments   |
|--|--|--|
| Date<br>December<br>2019<br>March<br>2020<br>July 2020 | Strategy         Dorset       Local         Industrial       Strategy (LIS)         Dorset       LEP         Delivery Plan       Covid         Covid       19         Economic       Impacts         Impacts       and         Recovery       Strategy | <ul> <li>A plan for the place, built on a robust evidence base.</li> <li>It was created in consultation with Dorset stakeholders over a 12-month process.</li> <li>Highlights from the LIS can be found here.</li> <li>February 28 Covid officially hits the UK.</li> <li>Delivery plan was published in March 2020 and therefore references this as an emerging topic.</li> <li>Commissioned research in order to test the LIS evidence base in light of Covid-19.</li> <li>Findings help develop understanding of the mechanisms by which the pandemic will affect the Dorset economy.</li> <li>Analysed risk and resilience factors that will drive local economic outcomes, and how these could play out in Dorset relative to pre-Covid baseline assumptions and comparator geographies.</li> <li>Helped us understand the medium and longer-term implications of the Covid crisis for key business sectors, clusters and sub-geographies – the challenges and the opportunities; to identify potential for local action and influence over outcomes.</li> <li>Confirmed existing strategic objectives and action plans did not need to be re-assessed nor the priority topics / questions revisited</li> </ul> |
| March<br>2021  | Dorset<br>Investment<br>Prospectus   | <ul> <li>with stakeholders.</li> <li>Plan for the place, building on LIS and incorporating Covid recovery.</li> <li>Created in consultation with Dorset stakeholders over a 9 month process.</li> <li>Anticipated publication March 2021.</li> </ul>   |

#### 3. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

None – for information only.



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|--|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--|
| Security Level:  | Confidential 🗆 | Commercially<br>Sensitive 🗆 | Unclassified x |  |
| Paper Title         Risk Management Framework Overview |                |                             |                |  |
| Papers are provided for:                               |                |                             | Information x  |  |

#### 1. PURPOSE

This paper gives an overview of the risk management framework.

#### 2. SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

The purpose of the <u>Risk Management Framework</u> is to ensure that key risks to Dorset LEP's delivery are identified, managed, monitored and escalated effectively across project, programme and corporate levels. It covers the approach to risk management and process and activities adopted for identifying and managing risk across corporate, programme and project level. It also identifies the roles and responsibilities for employees in active risk management.

Key principles of the Risk Management Framework are that

- risk management activity will:
  - be aligned to corporate and programme aims, objectives and priorities.
  - encompass all strategic and operational areas that may prevent Dorset LEP from fulfilling its strategic aims.
  - anticipate and take preventative action to avoid risk rather than managing the consequences
  - seek to realise opportunities that arise from the monitoring of risk
- a consistent approach for the identification, assessment and management of risk will be embedded throughout the organisation.
- risk control and mitigation strategies will be appropriate to the scale of risk.
- all employees are required to take responsibility for the effective management of risk throughout the organisation.
- the Dorset LEP Executive Team are responsible for implementing this policy and for the escalation of risks to the Corporate Risk Register as required.

To evaluate risk, each risk is clearly defined by stating the cause and consequence of it. Five key risk categories have been identified that have the potential to create a significant impact onto delivery if not managed effectively – finance, reputation, delivery, legal & governance and health & safety.

The following figures outline the risk management process, reporting, risk impact scoring, evaluation criteria and key responsibilities.





Fig 1. Risk management process



Fig 2. Risk management reporting



| Consequence     | 1: Minimal   | 2: Minor   | 3: Significant  | 4: Major  | 5: Critical   |
|-----------------|--|--|---|---|---|
| Financial       | Minimal delay in the provision of funding.   | Minor delay in the provision of funding.   | Significant delay in the provision of   | Major delay in the provision of fundina.  | Critical delay in the provision of funding.   |
| Legal &         | All constitutional   | There is potential for   | funding.<br>Discretionary opinion   | Discretionary opinion   | Failure to comply with  |
| Governance      | and legislative<br>requirements have<br>been met and<br>Dorset LEP is acting<br>within its statutory<br>powers.        | legal action but<br>measures to<br>mitigate against any<br>action can be<br>demonstrated and<br>no legislation has<br>been breached.<br>Litigation, claims or<br>fines up to £10K. | on the interpretation<br>of legislation or<br>contractual terms is<br>applied to confirm<br>Dorset LEP's ability to<br>proceed with<br>activities. Litigation,<br>claims or fines up to<br>£25K | is not followed and<br>action taken<br>contrary to advice of<br>legal colleagues.<br>Litigation, claims or<br>fines up to £50k. | legislation and<br>contractual<br>obligations leading to<br>the possibility of a<br>litigation, arbitration or<br>adjudication claim<br>being brought.<br>Litigation, claims or<br>fines up to £100K. |
| Delivery        | Threat could have a<br>minimal impact on<br>the quality of, or<br>delivery delays of <b>up</b><br><b>to 3 months</b> . | Threat could have a<br>minor impact on the<br>quality of, or delivery<br>delays of between <b>3</b><br>and <b>6</b> months.  | Threat could have a significant impact on the quality of, or delivery delays of between 6 and 9 months.   | Threat could have a<br>significant impact<br>on the quality of, or<br>delivery delays of<br>between 9 and 12<br>months.         | Threat could have a<br>critical impact on<br>the quality of, non-<br>delivery, or delivery<br>delays of greater<br>than 12 months.  |
| Health & Safety | Known H&S<br>threats<br>effectively<br>managed<br>through<br>appropriate<br>control<br>measures.                       | Potential for <b>minor</b><br><b>injury</b> to occur that<br>can be satisfactorily<br>managed through<br>Safety Management<br>Systems.   | Potential for<br>moderate injury or<br>dangerous<br>occurrence to be<br>sustained, possible<br>reporting to the<br>Regulatory body.   | Potential for a<br>breach in H&S rules<br>resulting in likely<br>intervention by the<br>Regulatory body.                        | Severe injury or<br>fatality likely to occur.<br>Regulatory body<br>intervention<br>probable with<br>threat of statutory<br>enforcement or<br>prosecution.  |

Fig 3. Risk impact scoring criteria

| 5: Very high<br>Highly likely to occur        | 5          |   | 10                                   | 15                | 20       | 25          |
|---|------------|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|-------------|
| 4: High<br>More likely to occur than ↑<br>not | 4          |   | 8                                    | 12                | 16       | 20          |
| 3: Medium<br>Could occur at some point        | e point 3  |   | 6                                    | 9                 | 12       | 15          |
| 2: Low<br>More likely not to occur            | 2          |   | 4                                    | 6                 | 8        | 10          |
| 1: Very Low<br>Very unlikely to occur         | 1          |   | 2                                    | 3                 | 4        | 5           |
| Probability Impact                            | g          |   | lor                                  | 3:<br>Significant | jor      | a           |
|   | l: Minimal |   | 2: Minor                             | Signif            | 4: Major | 5: Critical |
| Key for interventions:                        |            | Urgent action required to ensure delivery can be achieved |                                      |                   |          |             |
| Medi<br>Ris                                   |            | Significant impact on delivery –<br>intervention required |                                      |                   |          |             |
| Low   | lick D     |   | edial action sho<br>idered if approp |                   |          |             |



| 4         |   |  |
|-----------|---|--|
| Treat     | Take direct action to reduce the level of risk to an<br>acceptable level. Actions must be SMART (specific,<br>measurable, agreed, realistic, timely) and allocated to<br>individuals. |  |
| Tolerate  | No additional actions taken.  |  |
| Transfer  | Transfer the risk to another organisation or partner to resolve.  |  |
| Terminate | ne risk may be so serious that withdrawal from the activity nould be considered.  |  |

Fig 4. Risk evaluation criteria and management

| Role                           | Responsibility for Risk Management                   |  |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Dorset LEP Board               | Oversee effective delivery of the Dorset LEP's       |  |
|                                | objectives and management of risk                    |  |
| Dorset LEP Finance, Audit      | Provide independent assurance of the risk            |  |
| and Corporate Risk             | management framework                                 |  |
| Committee                      |  |  |
| Dorset LEP Overview & Scrutiny | Increase transparency of decisions made by Dorset    |  |
| Committee                      | LEP, explore and interrogate rationale for decisions |  |
|                                | and make recommendations for improvements of         |  |
|                                | future decision making.                              |  |
| Dorset LEP Executive Director  | Review progress towards delivery of the business     |  |
|                                | plan   |  |
| Dorset LEP Programme Leads     | Advise on specific delivery risks                    |  |
| Dorset LEP Senior Executive    | Accountability for delivery of the business plan     |  |
| Team                           | and management of the risks affecting its delivery.  |  |
|                                | Ownership of Corporate Risk Register and             |  |
|                                | departmental risk registers                          |  |
| Programme Leads                | Ensure the risk management process is promoted,      |  |
|                                | managed and implemented effectively in the           |  |
|                                | organization. Manage departmental risks              |  |
| Programme and                  | Own programme and project risk registers,            |  |
| Project Boards                 | escalating risks to the Dorset LEP                   |  |
|                                | Programme Leads/ Executive Director as               |  |
|                                | appropriate  |  |
| Employees                      | Identify and manage risk effectively in their jobs,  |  |
|                                | liaising with their managers to identify new or      |  |
|                                | changing risks                                       |  |
| Internal Audit                 | Review the risk management process and provide       |  |
|                                | assurance to officers and members on the             |  |
|                                | effectiveness of controls                            |  |

Fig 5. Risk responsibilities



#### 3. RECOMMENDATIONS

None – for information only.



### Overview and Scrutiny Committee Draft Work Programme 2020/21

### January 2021

| Subject    | Details  |  |
|------------|--|--|
| Risk       | An overview of how this is managed   |  |
| Strategy   | The impact of Covid-19 on Dorset LEP strategic Direction                                       |  |
| Governance | Overall assurance arrangements, committees and reporting into Board and constitution of Board. |  |

## Suggestions from first two meetings – to be discussed.

| Subject       | Details   | Origin of Item                                 | Comments   |
|---------------|---|--|--|
| Engagement    | Review how Dorset LEP engages with the business community<br>and how this could be strengthened, including potential funding<br>applications.   | -  | Presentation on the current s<br>along with key data as requ<br>engagement.                |
|               | Review of public engagement and promotion activity to identify opportunities to maximise this.  | -  | Presentation on the current s<br>along with key data as requi<br>engagement.               |
| Transparency  | Review and advise the Dorset LEP Board on matters of<br>transparency, ensuring that the LEP is meeting the highest<br>standards of transparency and, in particular, the required<br>standards as set down by the Central Government.  | Terms of Reference                             | Presentation on the requirem<br>National Assurance Framewo<br>being fulfilled.             |
|               | Funding allocation process  |  |  |
| Best Practice | To liaise with other LEP's over the development and dissemination of best practice.<br>Best practice sharing via BEIS.  | Strengthened Local Enterprise<br>Partnerships. | Paper on the Peer Review of<br>Humber LEP and key docum                                    |
| Delivery      | Review how entire programmes of activity are evaluated and<br>how assurance of its delivery can be best provided.   | -  | Review of requirements of de<br>Dorset Growth Deal and Dor                                 |
|               | Review barriers to on-time project delivery to ascertain if<br>controllable measures can be implemented by the Dorset LEP to<br>reduce this.  | -  | Presentation of barriers as pr<br>partners and overview of ma<br>project management and re |
|               | Arrangements for delivery of Enterprise Zones   |  |  |
| Strategy      | Review end-to-end processes regarding opportunities for<br>funding in terms of transparency. Advise on any measures to be<br>implemented in the future where Dorset LEP may wish to issue<br>calls for specific strategic projects linked to the Local Industrial<br>Strategy objectives. | -  | Presentation on the end-to-e<br>paperwork and potential stro<br>funding calls.             |
|               | Review of activity around energy and digital connectivity   |  |  |
|               | MP engagement and alignment with Dorset LEP strategy.   |  |  |

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