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Notes of the Board Friday 27th November at the White Water Centre

Attendees

Greg Clark	Chairman, LSCC		
Cllr Helen Coombs	LB Redbridge	Del Goddard	Vibrant Partnerships
Cllr Kevin Bentley	Essex CC	John Houston	Epping Forest DC
Cllr Linda Haysey	East Herts DC	Gavin Redman	LB Enfield
Cllr Katherine Chibah	LB Enfield	Greg MacDonald	Broxbourne BC
Cllr Susan Barker	Uttlesford DC	Stephen Wilkinson	Lee Valley RPA
Cllr Paul Osborn	Lee Valley RPA	Simon Payne	Cambridge CC
Cllr Jim Metcalfe	Broxbourne BC	Nick Harding	Peterborough CC
John Keddie	Harlow EZ	Chris Wiggan	Stansted Airport
Andrew Gould	Genr8/LSCC dep chair	Andrew Taylor	Uttlesford DC
Shaun Dawson	Lee Valley RPA	Joel John	Essex CC
Jan Hayes-Griffin	Herts CC		
Karen Spencer	Harlow College/FE Network		

Secretariat

John McGill	LSCC	Stephen King	LSCC
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Apologies

Cllr Joe Goldberg	LB Haringey
Cllr Alan Sitkin	LB Enfield
Cllr David Williams	Herts CC
Cllr Guy Nicholson	LB Hackney

1. Welcome and introductions

Cllr Jim Metcalfe welcomed the meeting to the Borough of Broxbourne.

2. Presentation by Cllr Paul Osborn, chair of the Lee Valley Regional Park Authority

Welcomed the board to the Lee Valley Whitewater Centre which is owned by the Park Authority, built for the London 2012 Olympics with £20 million investment from the Olympic Development Agency matched by £20 million from the Park Authority to ensure it has real legacy value. He said that the Park had secured £240 million investment of which 10% from the LVRPA's capital. The contribution from council taxpayers in London, Herts and Essex had reduced as a proportion from 70% to 50% of the revenue budget.

Paul also highlighted the Authority's approach to creating 'nodes' of activity which would rely on good transport links and the synergy with the LSCC's approach to supporting the livability agenda.

Presentation by Del Goddard, chair of Vibrant Partnerships

Set out the background to the creation of Vibrant Partnerships by the Authority and the challenges of managing a portfolio of facilities which are covering the range from international venues to some which have a much more local focus, although all have a local impact. Reinforcing the Authority's vision, Vibrant Partnerships will focus on creating destinations which have a broader appeal than the sporting focus of the specific facility.

Comments:

AG the importance of the livability agenda which needs to be at the core of the LSCC narrative;

JH referred to the City of London Corporation's Epping Forest visitor offer which, with the Lee Valley attracts 13 million visitors into the area.

Presentation by Cllr Jim Metcalfe, deputy leader Broxbourne Borough Council

Outlined the approach to Ambition Broxbourne to be more active in supporting businesses to start and grow within the borough; the borough's determination to protect employment land and to resist the change of use to residential; and the council's strong support for Crossrail 2 coming to the borough.

Comments

SW said that the LVRPA is prepared to discuss how it can play a stronger 'enabling' role with partners.

AG suggested that this discussion would be of great interest to the Consortium's investment and development group.

Harlow

John Keddie, chair of the Harlow Enterprise Zone updated the board on the progress in Harlow building on the announcement of relocation of Public Health England including £400 million investment to consolidate Porton Down and Collindale facilities. This will result in an additional 1,000 mainly technical level jobs.

LSCC Three Year Plan

Greg Clark introduced this report advising the board that he was seeking views on the overall approach and, if confirmed, will invite detailed comments prior to the March board meeting where a final version will be submitted for approval.

Comments:

SW asked for the livability elements within the work plan be strengthened

DG suggested that broadband be included under the infrastructure workstreams

West Anglia Taskforce

The board was advised on the recent work of the taskforce: its meeting with the prospective train operating companies; the growth plan (strategic case) for investment; and the joint approach (GLA, TfL, LSCC, LEP and local authorities) on communication.

Crossrail 2 Growth Commission

The board also heard about the work of the CR2 Commission which had been very active in arranging meetings with LSCC members to understand their appetite and support for the route. The board was also advised on the impact of this level of investment (£27 billion) on the whole corridor because of the additional frequencies, train capacity and connections via the proposed tunnel through central London.

Comments

ML advised the board on the importance of the interchange of Crossrail 2 with the original Crossrail at Tottenham Court Road

KB commended the LSCC role in joining up counties, LEPs, GLA

SP suggested that thought should be given to how rail and other public transport can be better integrated

DG advised on how surprisingly high the latest ONS population projections are

JH-G commented on the cumulative effect of projected population growth and, in the absence of regional planning, the importance of properly engaging with counties.

Strategic Highways Summit

Cllr Kevin Bentley introduced this report which was agreed but the board wished to stress that this proposal for a summit would be built on collaboration with counties and LEPs.

LSCC Growth Commission

The board received an update on the Commission, its initial internal meeting and forthcoming enquiry events during January, February, April and May. Board members were urged to attend and submit evidence where possible.

Inward Investment

Cllr Helen Coomb introduced the report which was agreed.

SB advised the board that changes to retention of business rates have raised the importance of business retention and location in each local authority area

GM advised the board of Hertfordshire's review of inward investment and suggested that Tim Burton at Herts LEP be contacted.

Communications Protocol

This report was agreed.

Growth Spaces

Andrew Gould introduced the paper stressing the importance of refining the corridor 'story' and to improve the penetration of the messaging with investors. The board noted the report and the need to seek further sponsorship.

Comments

LH suggested that some more radical thinking is needed to anticipate how people will live and work including travel in the coming decades

DG suggested that the narrative should be sharper and suggested that this would be part of the LSCC Growth Commission's role.

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