

## SCR INFRASTRUCTURE AND HOUSING EXECUTIVE BOARD

## 11th DECEMBER 2017

## AMP TECHNOLOGY CENTRE, WAVERLEY, ROTHERHAM

No.	Item	Action
1	Welcome and Apologies	
	Present:	
	Board Members	
	Mayor Ros Jones (DMBC) – CHAIR	
	Cllr Tricia Gilby (CBC)	
	Martin McKervey (LEP)	
	Huw Bowen (CBC)	
	Neil Taylor (BaDC)	
	Also in Attendance	
	Joelle Davies (BaDC)	
	Phil Spurr (BMBC)	
	Rob Cogings (DDDC) Peter Dale (DMBC)	
	Simon Mann (EA)	
	Chris Scholey (LÉP)	
	Edward Highfield (SCC)	
	Mark Lynam (SCR Exec Team)	
	Michael Hellewell (SCR Exec Team) Chris Collins-McKeown (SCR Exec Team)	
	Colin Blackburn (SCR Exec Team)	
	Paul Bedwell (Spawforths)	
	Tony Stacey (SYHA)	
	Craig Tyler (Joint Authorities Governance Unit)	
	Apologies were received from Board Members John Mothersole	
	(SCC) and Owen Michaelson (LEP)	
2	Declarations of Interest	
	None noted.	
3	Board Arrangements	
	It was noted work has been undertaken by officers to help determine	
	the membership of the new combined Board; the starting point being	
	the amalgamated Housing Executive Board and Infrastructure	
	Executive Board memberships (as agreed at the previous meeting).	

	It was noted, however, that the 9 districts have been asked to each nominate a single substantive Senior Officer attendee.	
	It was noted there is scope (as agreed by the SCR Leaders) for the 4 Executive Boards to self-determine what attending memberships they need to ensure the delivery of the programmes for which they are responsible.	
4	Minutes of the Previous Meetings	
	The minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 <sup>th</sup> October were agreed to be an accurate record.	
5	<u>Urgent Items / Announcements</u>	
	None noted.	
6	SCR Infrastructure and Housing Priorities – Work Programme	
	The Board received a presentation providing a summary of the substantive areas of priority work currently being undertaken in respect of the Infrastructure and Housing priorities.	
	Action: Colin to circulate the presentation	СВ
	The Board considered where the priorities need to accord with and support local plans	
	Action: Colin to circulate further information setting out the current stage of each SCR district's local plan.	СВ
	It was explained that HS2) isn't referenced as a discrete Housing & Infrastructure Executive Board (HIEB) priority to avoid duplication with the main TEB-led HS2 workstream, It was acknowledged that HS2 cross-cuts and has the potential to support many of the HIEB priorities however.	
	It was clarified that the reference to 'blue infrastructure' pertains to flood defence sand mitigation works.	
	The Board determined the presentation to be a good summary of the priorities under HIEB oversight and supported the overall workstreams.	
7	Energy Strategy and Delivery Plan	
	A report was received to update the Board in respect of the approach being taken to develop an Energy Strategy and Delivery Plan for the Sheffield City Region.	
	It was noted a SCR project Steering Group for the strategy is in place involving Officers from the SCR Local Authority partners, Sheffield University and the Community Energy sector.	
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	The Board was informed the SCR Executive (in liaison with the Steering Group) has been working with BEIS regarding proposals for additional capacity funding to deliver the energy strategies. BEIS have allocated £1.29m for the Northern LEP areas (11 LEPs) and SCR is working closely with the LEPs across the North East, Yorkshire and Humber to provide a proposed approach to delivering this capacity support, utilising £704,000 of the proposed funding for Northern LEPs. It is proposed that an Energy Hub will be created (Tees Valley Combined Authority are willing to host) and each LEP will benefit from funding to finance a post to progress the energy agenda and the projects identified in the energy strategies.  RESOLVED, that the Board notes the progression with the SCR Energy Strategy and Delivery Plan and endorses the recommendation for SCR to work with the North East, Yorkshire and the Humber LEPs/Combined Authorities to secure BEIS capacity funding to deliver the outcomes of the SCR Energy	СВ
	Strategy and Delivery Plan.	
8	Investment Propositions	
	A report was received to update updating the Board with the progress being made in taking forward the Integrated Infrastructure Plan.  It was noted the most pertinent task is to identify the next Investable Propositions within the SCR Growth Areas; particularly within Urban Centres, acknowledging the overlap with the Trade and Investment Plan work and preparations for MIPIM 2018.  It was confirmed the districts' relevant Executive Directors have been readily involved in helping to steer the development work.  Regarding the geography of the logistics corridor, it was confirmed that the geography of the corridor does not have a distinct boundary' and as well as the iPort and National College for High Speed Rail, it incorporates a number of relevant development schemes across the SCR.	
	RESOLVED, that the Board notes the progress with the delivery of the Investable Propositions	
9	SCR Estate Transformation Strategy	
	A report was received to advise the Board with regard to the plan to develop an Estate Transformation Strategy (ETS) to cover the entire SCR.	
	The report set out what the ambition of the ETS and related activities and explained the nature of the work underway to develop this.	
	The report also introduced opportunities for the potential involvement of HIEB members.	

It was noted further reports would be received as it is progressed to provide more information in relation to the assessment and modelling tools required to inform the ETS. It was confirmed the ETS would cover all public sector assets, One Public Estate and not just Local Authority assets. It was noted the Environment Agency are keen to engage with the ETS and where appropriate align both their investment spatial plans and their ambitions for land transformation. It was noted a high level outcome of the Strategy development work is to identify the constraints and opportunities in the SCR's identified spatial priority growth areas. The Strategy will also provide a clearer framework for engagement with Government Departments and Agencies on significant strategic opportunities (e.g. Government disposals and acquisitions, engagement with HS2 Ltd on acquisitions and disposal linked to the development of the HS2 network) and inform future investment decisions by SCR and its partners. **RESOLVED**, that the Board: 1. Endorses the proposals as presented regarding the scope of the Estate Transformation Strategy work, as well as the initial ideas on who should be consulted as it is developed. 2. Notes that this work is central to ensuring that the land and property assets of all public sector partners (local and national) are used in the most efficient and effective way maximising, identifying and driving forward economic and housing growth opportunities. 10 **Autumn Budget Statement** Members were presented with a report summarising announcements in the recent Autumn Budget Statement of relevance to HIEB-led activities, which was noted. 11 Joint Assets Board The Board was presented with the minutes of the JAB meeting which took place in 26th October 2017. It was noted Sharon Kemp (RMBC CEX and JAB Chair) has expressed interest in attending a HIEB meeting to discuss the JAB in more detail. This will be factored into the Forward Plan. Action: Sharon Kemp to be invited to a future meeting of the MH Board to discuss the Estate Transformation Strategy and the wider work of the Joint Assets Board. 12 **SCRIF Pipeline** 

	Matters were addressed as part of the presentation at item 6 and the other substantive items.	
13	National Funding Bid Updates	
	The Board was presented with a copy of the OPE Round 6 and Land Release Fund Bid (submitted 3 <sup>rd</sup> November), submitted by the Head of Paid Service under delegated authority, as approved by the Combined Authority on 30 <sup>th</sup> October.	
	Action: Michael to ascertain whether details of the individual schemes can be shared with the Board.	МН
	It was noted an announcement on whether the bid had been successful was expected on 8th December but is still awaited.	
14	SCR Housing Fund	
	It was reported that by the 15 <sup>th</sup> November deadline 20 applications totalling £25.6m have been received in relation to the SCR's Housing Fund (£8.1m budget).	
	Work is now underway to assess Expressions of Interest, with selected schemes invited to submit Full Business Cases.	
	It was confirmed the criteria for identifying which schemes can be taken forward has been locally determined.	
	It was noted the applications are from both public and private sources and concern a range of grant and loan enquiries.	
	It was confirmed appropriate synergies are being made in relation to national funding opportunities	
	It was noted a Housing Fund Governance Board (name to be agreed), based on the SCR Business Investment Fund (BIF) Board will be convened to take decisions (under delegated approval from the CA) on projects with a value of less than £2m. It is expected that this Board will have synergies with the membership of HIEB.	
	It was confirmed performance reports will be received by the HIEB.	
15	More New Homes	
	The Board was provided with a verbal update covering all aspects of the More New Homes (MNH) initiative.	
	It was noted that despite earlier optimism, the SCR is operating under that same programme conditions as those in place in other City Regions.	
	The Board was provided with information in respect of current new homes completion rates, how these compare to SEP-required trajectories over time and what sub-projects are under way to redress	

the deficit (such as identifying sites with institutional investment potential) and mitigate issues reported through previous Board meetings (land viability, planning matters etc.). The Board was provided with an update on the Shared Ownership and Affordable New Homes Programme. This generated debate around the definition of 'affordable' for which it was noted there is a Government definition which is applied locally based on factors such as market rents, house prices and incomes. It was agreed that future performance reports should identify the proportion of affordable homes being delivered as well as numbers. There needs to be a clear understanding of how affordable housing is contributing to the overall SCR housing 'target'. It was noted efforts should continue to seek further national funding when made available. Action: Chris to circulate the MNH submission for information. CCM **Any Other Business** i) SCR Seminar on Housebuilding The Board was provided with information regarding matters considered at the SCR Seminar on Housebuilding held on 24th November. This generated debate around the SCR's future engagement with 'modern methods of construction' and off-site manufacturing. The Board agreed the SCR needs to be exploring the potential for how such initiatives could help the SCR achieve its new build ambitions. Future notes from SCR Seminars on Housebuilding to be shared with the Board. CB/MH Action: Colin / Executive Team to add the presentation of a paper on modern methods of construction to the Forward Plan for a future HIEB meeting. ii) Business Relocations The Board considered whether a proactive programme of business relocations could help drive up demand and viability for new housing

sites in specific locations. It was acknowledged business relocation is a complicated and expensive process.

Action: SCR Executive Team to have off-line internal discussions (with other colleagues where appropriate) to assess whether this should be considered a potential HIEB line of enquiry.

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## iii) Board Endorsements

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The Board was informed that J37 Phase 1 scheme full business case was not ready for circulate to the HIEB prior to the meeting, but there

	was an intention to present the proposal for decision at the Combined Authority meeting on the 29th January. As a result, it was proposed to circulate by email in early January the Appraisal Panel's recommendations for HIEBs consideration and written endorsement – to inform the CA report.  The Board agreed this proposal.  The Chair reminded officers that all requirements for the Board to endorse a decision on a scheme ahead of its progression to the CA for decision ratification should ideally be considered at Board meetings to facilitate proper debate on matters ahead of any decision being taken, but where this is not possible due to time constraints, Board members should be given sufficient time to consider proposals before being recommended to the CA.	
16	Date of the Next Meeting	
	10.00am, 9 <sup>th</sup> February, 2018, Broad Street West, Sheffield	