

SCR HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE EXECUTIVE BOARD

29th JUNE 2018

BROAD STREET WEST, SHEFFIELD

No.	Item	Action
1	<p><u>Welcome and Apologies</u></p> <p>Present:</p> <p><u>Board Members</u> Mayor Ros Jones (DMBC) – CHAIR Cllr Tricia Gilby (CBC) Martin McKervey (LEP) Neil Taylor (BaDC)</p> <p><u>Also in Attendance</u> Chris Scholey (LEP – Co-opted) Richard Burnham (BMBC) Tony Stacey (SYHA) Scott Cardwell (DMBC) Janet Sharpe (SCC) Rob Pearson (Homes England) James Mead (Environment Agency) Damien Wilson (RMBC) Sharon Kemp (RMBC) – for item 5 Laraine Manley (SCC) Mark Lynam (SCR Exec Team) Colin Blackburn (SCR Exec Team) Michael Hellewell (SCR Exec Team) Chris Collins-McKeown (SCR Exec Team) Nick Rousseau (SCR Exec Team) Laurie Thomas (SCR Exec Team) Craig Tyler (Joint Authorities Governance Unit)</p> <p>Apologies were received from Board Members John Mothersole (SCC), Owen Michaelson (LEP) and Huw Bowen (CBC) + Simon Carr (LEP – Co-opted), Paul Bedwell (Spawforths), Jolyon Harrison (MJ Gleeson), Simon Mann (Environment Agency), Peter Dale (DMBC) and Matt Gladstone (BMBC),</p>	
2	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>None noted.</p>	

3	<p><u>Minutes of the Previous Meetings</u></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th May were agreed to be an accurate record.</p> <p>The following matter was noted as arising:</p> <p>The Board was informed the expression of interest had been submitted to the government's 5G Urban Connected Communities project and officers have started work on the development of the wider South Yorkshire / SCR Local Full Fibre Network bid.</p> <p>The following action was carried over:</p> <p>Action: Colin to present an update on the Housing Programme to the next meeting</p>	CB
4	<p><u>Urgent Items / Announcements</u></p> <p>None noted.</p>	
5	<p><u>SCR Estates Transformation Strategy</u></p> <p>Sharon, in her capacity as Chair of the SCR Joint Assets Board, provided a report and presentation on the SCR Estates Transformation Strategy (ETS).</p> <p>The presentation covered a summary of work undertaken to date in respect of ETS and related initiatives and the planned next steps as captured in the ETS Implementation Plan.</p> <p>Noting examples cited in relation to Homes England activities, the Board discussed the additional small scale and large scale approaches that could be taken by the various partner organisations to achieve the same objectives as the ETS.</p> <p>The Board noted the plans in development for a forthcoming ETS stakeholder workshop and requested invites be extended to Board members.</p> <p>Action: Sharon to invite Board members to the forthcoming ETS stakeholder workshop</p> <p>The Board agreed to support greater collaboration on public land and assets across public sector organisations in the Sheffield City Region.</p>	SK/ CB
6	<p><u>Pilot Housing Fund: Initial Lessons Learnt</u></p> <p>A presentation was received to provide the Board with an update on current progress with the Housing Fund (HF), to review current performance and to consider some initial lessons learnt.</p> <p>In addition, the Board was invited to endorse the development of a Full Business Case to seek additional funds (a further 'top up') of the</p>	

	<p>Housing Fund and asked to provide input to help shape the options analysis which will form the basis of the Full Business Case (subject to endorsement of the approach by the HIEB and subsequent funding approval by the CA).</p> <p>Members were provided with a reminder of the background to HF, its operating principles and the schemes progressed to date.</p> <p>The Chair requested that any reports to the CA seeking a further ‘top up’ of the HF (from SCR LEP Local Growth Funds) should be set in the wider context of ‘trade-offs’ and the impact on the wider capital programme. It was agreed that this information will be included in future/ relevant reports to the Combined Authority to ensure Leaders have a full contextual awareness of what the HF is, what it seeks to achieve and how any decisions in relation to the HF impact on the wider LGF programme.</p> <p>Members endorsed the initial lessons learned (as presented by Officers) and were happy for the identified areas of success/ improvement to be used to inform the development of a FBC for the CA to consider a further ‘top up’ to the HF.</p> <p>Action: Michael to ensure future reports to the CA regarding HF capture the Board’s steer</p> <p>Members considered the concept of the fund being a ‘fund of last resort’ and sought further information to ascertain this principle was being adhered to. Members were advised there is a comprehensive signposting process in place to steer funding applicants to other more appropriate sources of funding wherever practically possible.</p> <p>It was acknowledged the deals struck to date are largely to cover land reclamation costs and questioned as to whether there is any likelihood the whole HF might be utilised in this way. However, it was suggested this is simply because these particular projects were easiest to process and have therefore gone through the process quicker. The ore complex projects require more time to progress.</p> <p>It was acknowledged the SCR is likely to have a different ‘risk appetite’ to commercial lenders and noted this will have a bearing on the decisions made by the Housing Investment Board</p> <p>Members considered the HF’s 50% recoverability principle and whether this is realistic or achievable given the nature of the schemes the HF might invest in and acknowledged the fund’s overarching principle is to deliver housing, not recover money. It was therefore agreed to ask the CA to reconsider the 50% recoverability target for any further funds allocated to the HF.</p> <p>Action: Michael (and with SCR Exec Team) to work up a proposal for the CA for the reconsideration of the HF’s 50% recoverability target.</p>	<p>CB/ MH</p> <p>MH</p> <p>MH</p>
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<p>7</p>	<p><u>DELTA Dashboard Monitoring Return</u></p> <p>The Board was presented with the contents of the Quarter 4 2017/18 DELTA Dashboard monitoring form</p> <p>Also attached was a summary of progress with existing schemes in the Local Growth Fund (LGF) infrastructure project pipeline.</p> <p>It was noted the LEP Board had approved the submission of the DELTA Dashboard report to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG), and noted this would be sent prior to the 20th July 2018 deadline.</p> <p>An explanation was provided regarding how MHCLG use the dashboard reports to monitor LGF delivery.</p> <p>It was noted that the data needed to inform the dashboard is received via standard project data sheets which need to be returned by project sponsors for processing by the 6th July.</p> <p>The Board considered whether any information contained within the project data sheets (and other sources of information) might be used to help provide HIEB reports with more explanatory narrative</p> <p>Action: Laurie to look at incorporating additional short narratives into future performance reports to the Board</p>	<p>LT</p>
<p>8</p>	<p><u>Pilot Housing Fund</u></p>	

	<p>A report and presentation were received setting out the decisions of the Housing Investment Board (related to the pilot HF) as well as a scheme update and decision schedule.</p> <p>To help the Board gain a greater understanding of the schemes under consideration, it was requested that consideration be given to whether scheme names or short explanatory narratives might be includable in future updates. The Board acknowledged the need to not compromise matters of confidentiality.</p> <p>It was also noted that the approach to providing anonymised scheme information was consistent with the information in the public domain in relation to both the Business Investment Fund (BIF) and on the CA Forward Plan of Key Decisions (in relation to the HF and BIF).</p> <p>Action: Chris to consider whether scheme names or short narratives can be included in future updates.</p>	CCM
9	<p><u>Homes England Programme</u></p> <p>A report was received providing a brief update on what Homes England continues to do to help SCR increase and accelerate the number of homes and affordable homes being delivered.</p> <p>Members were provided with information regarding work underway to develop a joint vehicle approach to achieving the SCR's More New Homes ambition by several housing associations. It was noted that this is being informed by national best practice, the five main local Housing Associations (supported by other bodies including the SCR) are planning to jointly invest in a commercial housing building programme, the profits of which would be re-invested in social housing programmes.</p> <p>Action: Tony to present a paper to the next meeting on the More New Homes Joint Vehicle</p> <p>Consideration was given to what more the SCR can do to be 'the A-team' and maximise its ability to benefit from Homes England funding opportunities.</p>	TS
10	<p><u>Place Delivery Plan – Dashboard</u></p> <p>The Dashboard update was provided for information.</p> <p>It was noted the Mayor is planning to write to government shortly requesting a response to the SCR's Enterprise Zone extension ambition.</p>	
11	<p><u>Housing Providers' Forum</u></p> <p>The Board was presented with a verbal update on matters considered at the last meeting (14th June). It was noted this covered the More New Homes ambition (see item 9), an update on modern methods of construction (noting the Forum members are due to visit</p>	

	<p>the Ilke Homes construction site in Knaresborough) and homelessness and the development of a draft statement of intent.</p> <p>It was noted there are plans to hold a conference in September to consider the 'Everybody In' campaign to end homelessness in the UK.</p> <p>It was noted there has been the development of a GIS database of c.150k social homes across the SCR, from which a statistical report has been produced to help understand current provision.</p> <p>Action: Tony to circulate further information.</p>	TS
12	<p><u>Forward Plan</u></p> <p>The Forward Plan was provided for information.</p>	
13	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>It was agreed to receive an update on the current status of each district's local plan at the next meeting.</p> <p>Action: Colin to collate and present</p>	CB
16	<p><u>Date of the Next Meeting</u></p> <p>It was noted no date had yet been set for the next meeting. Noting the Chair's availability, it was agreed to hold future HIEB meetings on Thursday mornings where possible (the previous SCR HEB slot in the cycle).</p>	