

SCR TRANSPORT EXECUTIVE BOARD

21st APRIL 2016

BROAD STREET WEST, SHEFFIELD

No.	Item	Action
1	<p><u>Welcome and Apologies</u></p> <p>Present:</p> <p><u>Board Members</u> Cllr Julie Dore, SCC Martin McKervey, Nabarro / LEP</p> <p>Apologies were received from Board Members: Diana Terris, BMBC and Neil Taylor, BaDC</p> <p><u>In Attendance / Advisory Members</u> Matt Gladstone, BMBC Peter Dale, DMBC Tom Finnegan-Smith, SCC Steve Edwards, SYPTE Neil Hodgson, NCC Julie Hurley, SCR Executive Team David Allatt, SCR Executive Team Jonathan Brown, SCR Executive Team Craig Tyler, Joint Authorities Governance Unit</p>	
2	<p><u>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</u></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on 23rd February were agreed to be an accurate record with the following exception:</p> <p>The following matters were noted as arising:</p> <p>6. <u>TEB Business Plan 2016/17</u> It was confirmed the draft Business Plan was endorsed by the Combined Authority as part of the SCR Delivery Plan - 2016/17</p> <p>7. <u>Gainshare Priority Setting</u> It was reported that the priority setting workshop will now be convened late May.</p>	

	<p>8. <u>External Projects</u></p> <p>It was noted that in the interests of devising a single comprehensive evidence base for the benefit of discussions around all external projects, a single commission for data collation is being developed.</p> <p>It was confirmed that Mayor Ros Jones has been nominated as the SCR deputy Board Member on the Rail North Partnership Board.</p>	
<p>3</p>	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Cllr Dore declared an interest in item 8 as a Director of Rail North.</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p><u>Urgent Items / Announcements</u></p> <p>i. <u>Local Growth Fund - Majors Pot</u> The Board was informed that DfT has released guidance inviting LEP areas to submit bids to the £475m Large Local Major Schemes fund, which forms part of LGF</p> <p>It was noted this is for ‘exceptionally large, transformational schemes that are too big to be taken forward within regular growth allocations and could not otherwise be funded’. In terms of scale, for the SCR LEP area, the minimum scheme size would be £75 million.</p> <p>It was noted that the deadline for the main competition is the 21 July 2016.</p> <p>It was noted that an initial call for schemes will be put to the SCR partners to ensure no potential schemes have been missed. The Board members noted their expectation that all potential schemes will already be referenced in SCRIF or SCRIP in some respect.</p> <p>It was noted that DfT will be expecting a local contribution to any allocation.</p> <p>Action – DA to report to next TEB with update / potential bids</p> <p>ii. <u>Dave Smith</u> The Board was informed that Dave has agreed to remain as Interim Executive Director for a further 9 months. The recruitment process for a permanent appointment has been put on hold.</p>	

	<p>iii. <u>Review of Executive Boards</u></p> <p>It was noted that Dave Smith has commissioned a review of SCR Executive Boards. An update is expected at the 9th May LEP meeting.</p>	
5	<p><u>TEB Membership</u></p> <p>It was noted that as the review of Executive Boards is not expected to conclude soon, efforts are being made to resolve the LEP, CEX and Leader vacancies.</p> <p>It was noted that Sir Nigel Knowles has been asked to nominate a LEP representative and Cllr John Burrows has been asked to take the Leader vacancy.</p> <p>Action: Craig to liaise with Cllr Burrows</p> <p>Action: Martin to seek an update from Sir Nigel Knowles</p>	<p>CT</p> <p>MM</p>
6	<p><u>Transport for the North Asks</u></p> <p>A paper was presented to inform discussion on the fundamental Sheffield City Region (SCR) ‘asks’ of Transport for the North (TfN).</p> <p>Members were reminded that TfN is a partnership of local authorities and local enterprise partnerships across the North working together to provide a single voice to Government. TfN is seeking to grow the North’s economy as a counterweight to the South East, and deliver the transport system that supports this.</p> <p>The paper presented a suggestion of three key asks that could form the overarching SCR strategic narrative on TfN:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northern Powerhouse Rail – 30 minute journey time and frequency enhancement from Sheffield to both Leeds and Manchester. • Trans-Pennine Road Connectivity – Faster, safer and more resilient road connectivity between SCR and Manchester provided through a new trans-Pennine link (tunnel). • International Gateway – connectivity investment to strengthen the role of Doncaster Sheffield Airport as a key northern international gateway and freight hub. <p>It was noted that other areas of TfN are also essential to the SCR, such as integrated smart ticketing and comprehensive local connectivity packages but these are not being tackled as ‘strategic’.</p>	

	<p>Members were asked to note that this study relates to the matters under TfN’s tutelage only, and not areas for which Highways England or Network Rail are currently responsible (acknowledging the propensity for pan-northern governance responsibilities to continue to evolve).</p> <p>Members comments in consideration of this matter were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should the future of Tinsley Viaduct be referenced (acknowledging this is currently a Highways England matter) • Northern Powerhouse Rail frequencies shouldn’t be phrased as an ‘ask’. This is a ‘gimme’ and has been for some time. • A response around Trans-Pennine Road Connectivity needs to place as much emphasis on the local connections to the tunnel, as the tunnel itself. • Rather than submitting just 3, it would be better to submit a series of asks, subdivided into each TfN workstream. • This may be an opportunity o seek clarity around the overlapping mandates of TfN, Highways England and Network Rail. • RHADS should be deemed on of the SCR’s key priorities • We need a strong evidence base to support the promotion of our priorities. • SDG (TfN’s appointed consultants) have been pushing back on some asks suggesting these are local not regional. An evidence base will help challenge any such assertions where not agreed. <p>The Board discussed and agreed the merits of a ‘table of all asks’ to denote what the TEB wants to achieve in the interests of helping deliver the SCR Strategic Economic Plan (SEP) and which partner organisation is the recipient of each ask.</p> <p>Action: Julie H / Dave to devise</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the Board members:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Request that an expanded ‘table of asks’, set against each TfN work stream heading, be presented at the next meeting for further comment. 	<p>JH / DA</p>
<p>7</p>	<p><u>SCR Transport Strategy Refresh</u></p> <p>Members were advised of the SCR Executive Team’s undertaking of a refresh of the Strategic Economic Plan (SEP)</p>	

	<p>and informed this is complemented by a refresh of the Transport Strategy (as detailed in the TEB Business Plan and reported to the last meeting).</p> <p>It was noted that in order to be ready to progress the Transport Strategy Refresh alongside the SEP Refresh, the Transport Executive Board (TEB) is asked to endorse the scope of work and external resources for the SCR Transport Strategy.</p> <p>It was noted that the current (statutory) Transport Strategy is 5 years old, with a number of key actions now delivered. Furthermore the current Strategy does not reflect the devolution agenda, current SCR governance and the role of the infrastructure plan, or major connectivity projects such as Transport for the North. The report proposes that the TEB steers this work, supported by the SCR Executive and a dedicated strategy development group providing technical advice.</p> <p>It was also noted that a 5 year Implementation Plan will sit beneath the Transport Strategy to assist delivery by Local Authorities and South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive.</p> <p>Members questioned the merit of waiting for the SEP refresh process to conclude, suggesting the policies contained within the Transport Strategy are essentially still relevant and unlikely to change. It was therefore agreed to undertake a light touch refresh.</p> <p>Action: Julie H / Dave to confirm the revised timetable for the light touch refresh</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the Board members:</p> <p>1. Note the revised scope of the SCR Transport Strategy Refresh.</p>	<p>JH / DA</p>
<p>8</p>	<p><u>Rail North Update</u></p> <p>A paper was presented to provide an update on Rail North.</p> <p>Members were reminded that Rail North is the activity led by 25 Local Transport Authorities in the North to secure better rail services, initially focussed on the new Northern and Transpennine Express Franchises which commenced on 1 April 2016 (with Arriva operating the new Northern Franchise and First Group is operating the Transpennine Express Franchise).</p>	

	<p>Members were informed that the Northern Franchise will see the introduction of new trains (281 ordered) and the Transpennine Express Franchise will see the introduction of refurbished trains, a '7 day service' commitment and big improvements on the Sheffield - Lincoln Line.</p> <p>It was noted that Rail North is developing its capability to influence future rail investment planning. This includes developing a single programme of partner infrastructure schemes and Rail North acting as joint client for the Transpennine Route Upgrade.</p> <p>Members were informed that the intention is that Rail North will in time become part of Transport for the North and the governance arrangements to allow this to happen are currently being developed.</p> <p>It was noted that new financial arrangements are to be introduced in respect of the rail grant current received by the PTE. Clarity on what the changes will be is being sought and more information will be presented to the next meeting.</p> <p>Action: Jonathan to provide</p> <p>The board asked that representatives from the franchisees be invited to future TEB meetings to discuss arrangements.</p> <p>Action: Julie H / Dave A</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the Board members:</p> <p>1. Note the contents of the report.</p>	<p>JB</p> <p>JH / DA</p>
<p>9</p>	<p><u>Strategic Transport Update Paper</u></p> <p>Members were presented with the Strategic Transport Update Paper.</p> <p>It was noted this is a new consolidated format update and the tabular reporting format has been developed to report key transport issues to the TEB efficiently and effectively.</p> <p>It was requested that future reports focus on matters by exception.</p> <p>Members were asked to comment on the structure of the report and suggest any further improvements.</p> <p>Action: ALL</p>	<p>ALL</p>

	<p>It was noted that David Brown (TfN CEX) has been invited to attend the 9th May informal CA meeting to discuss TfN matters with Members i.e. the relationship between TfN and Rail North.</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the Board members:</p> <p>1. Support the consolidated paper format as a means of providing information on key transport issues.</p>	
10	<p><u>HS2 East Update</u></p> <p>Item deferred.</p> <p>Action: Julie H to circulate the slides of the intended presentation</p>	JH
11	<p><u>Minutes of Committees</u></p> <p>Minutes were provided for information for the meetings of the following committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCR Infrastructure Board held on 26th February (Draft) • SCR CA Transport Committee held on 11th April (Draft) <p>A verbal update was also provided on the last meeting of the HS2 Programme Board.</p>	
10	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>No additional matters noted.</p>	
19	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>2nd June, 2.00pm at Sheffield Town Hall</p>	