

## **July 2019**

## **Chief Executive's Update**

## **Purpose of Report**

To provide LEP Board Members with a general update on activity being undertaken by the LEP outside of the agenda items under discussion.

- 1. Working Win: Health Led Employment Trial: The trial has now secured 3,500 participants who are both in and out of work. For the participants who were previously unemployed we have moved 439 into work.
- **2. Business engagement:** The LEP Chair, supported by the SCR executive team, has been engaged in a wide-ranging programme of business and stakeholder engagement. This includes meeting major businesses and investors with the potential for growth.
- **3.** Annual General Meeting: As part of the Government's LEP Review all partnerships are now required to hold an Annual General Meeting, open to the public, each year. Work is underway with the Chair and Vice Chair to plan the format and design of the event, likely to be held in October / November to coincide with the SEP / LIS milestones.
- 4. Spending Review / Budget preparation: The Executive Team will be meeting with Government officials from across a number of Departments in July to initiate the development of an SCR response to the Comprehensive Spending Review. This work will be developed in line with the Strategic Economic Plan and Local Industrial Strategy work.
- **5. Thematic Board preparation:** Meetings with Co-Chairs in advance of establishing, implementing and planning work programmes for the Boards are taking place.
- **6. Transport for the North Partnership Board:** The Board met on the 20<sup>th</sup> June. Peter Kennan represented the private sector voice.
- 7. **Doncaster Sheffield Airport Partnership Board:** The Board, chaired by LEP Board Member Peter Kennan met on the 6<sup>th</sup> June. The LEP Chair also visited DSA in mid-June to discuss their growth ambitions and the role the LEP can play in supporting that growth.
- **8. LGF Programme Position:** Each quarter the LEP Board are provided with an update of the LGF programme position via the DELTA dashboard, which is the formal reporting document required by MHCLG.

To ensure compliance with this MHCLG deadline of 23rd August 2019 for the Q1 DELTA submission, the Managing Director and MCA Section 73 Officer will sign-off the Dashboard, as per

MHCLG guidance. The contents of the Q1 return will subsequently be reported in full to LEP Board at the 9th September 2019 Board Meeting.