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MEETING:	Goldthorpe Town Deal Board
DATE:	Monday, 13 July 2020
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies **(Chair)**
- 2 Minutes from the Previous Meeting **(Chair)** *(Pages 3 - 6)*
- 3 Update on the Town Board Membership **(Paul Clifford)**
- 4 Declaration of Interest **(All)**
- 5 Town Plan Update **(Paul Clifford)**
- 5a Decision required from the Board **(All)**
- 6 Presentation of Draft Plan By Arcadis **(Arcadis)**
- 6a Decision required from the Board **(All)**
- 7 Consultation Proposal **(Claire Dawson)** *(Pages 7 - 8)*
- 7a Decision required from the Board **(All)**
- 8 #MyTown Comments / Analysis **(Paul Clifford)**
- 9 Government Updates **(Paul Clifford)**
- 10 Sheffield City Region Updates **(Jennefer Holmes)**
- 11 Project Governance and Plan **(Elizabeth Steel)**
- 12 Issues, Risks and Decisions **(Elizabeth Steel)**
- 13 Forward Plan **(Elizabeth Steel)**
- 14 Any Other Business **(All)**

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BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

GOLDTHORPE TOWN DEAL BOARD

23 June 2020

Present Nigel Albon, Rachel Allington, Della Amenyeanu, Derek Bramham (Chair), Michael Bunting, Sarah Cartwright, Brett Chambers, Paul Clifford, Councillor Neil Danforth, Claire Dawson, Brandon Fey, James Flint, Councillor Alan Gardiner, Councillor Annette Gollick, Lisa Hewitt, Jennefer Holmes, Justin Homer, Andy Lock, Councillor May Noble, Councillor Pauline Phillips, Alison Powell, Elizabeth Steel (Secretary), Matthew Stephens, David Tuck and Jess Whiting (Secretary)

1 APOLOGIES

John Healey MP, Allan Joyce, Nick Kealey, John Twigg, Paul Casola.

2 MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes taken as a true record.

3 UPDATE ON THE TOWN BOARD MEMBERSHIP

New members are to be invited before the next meeting.

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

One high level proposition submitted from Coalfields Regeneration Trust from Andy Lock as a member of that business. No other declarations.

5 TOWN PLAN UPDATE

A data gathering exercise is being carried out by Arcadis and Genecon which will inform the development of the town investment plan. Guidance for the Town Plan has been issued by central Government and the draft Town Plan is to be considered by the board during August. More meetings are to be planned around the key dates for implementation of the Town Plan.

6 PRESENTATION BY ARCADIS

£25 Million available per town, with the ability to increase for exceptional cases. 90% capital spend for tangible assets of town investment. The project will last five years. COVID-19 impact to be considered throughout. Scheme will focus on Urban Regeneration, Skills & Enterprising Infrastructure, and Connectivity, and will bring in Northern Powerhouse, Sheffield City Region, Local Plan and Growth policies, and will align with the Government's clean growth policy, aiming for a 0% carbon target by 2050.

Numbers of those in employment has fallen from 2015, though increased at a national level. There are issues regarding Goldthorpe's Labour Market Performance, competitiveness for employment, and unemployment is above the national average. There are also issues regarding skills and the ability to attract high value employment levels, with gaps in attainment and a lower level of people with qualifications or graduates. The ability to present as a location of choice for businesses is low. 15% of working residents work in Goldthorpe, while the rest commute out of the town.

Spatial issues to be focussed on are the delivery of employment and housing sites and enabling Goldthorpe to become a preferred choice for residents and businesses.

7 CONSULTATION PROPOSAL

Community engagement has been carried out, with the #MyTown available for comments and feedback on future needs and priorities. A stakeholder mapping exercise is to be carried out to identify stakeholders and audiences.

8 #MYTOWN (COMMENTS/ANALYSIS)

101 local communities have their own #MyTown page to give local residents, businesses and stakeholders opportunity to input into the main Town Plan. Between 21st February and 17th March 2020, 22 comments were received. The majority of comments were regarding safety, cleanliness and the Library and Community Centre. The #MyTown page is to be boosted by Barnsley Council Communications and community channels online for further input.

9 GOVERNMENT UPDATES

A formal decision was made by the board to support the October submission date. All agreed to the decision.

10 SHEFFIELD CITY REGION UPDATES

The economic recovery plan is to be discussed at the next Mayoral Combined Authority Board in July.

11 PROJECT GOVERNANCE AND PLAN

Further guidance received in regard to Board meetings. As a result, all Town Deal Board meeting information is now available on Mod.gov.

12 ISSUES, RISKS AND DECISIONS

None

13 FORWARD PLAN

Timescales available to view on spreadsheet.

14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

The next scheduled meeting is on Monday 13th July 2020, 10am – 12pm.

Other meetings will be scheduled as and when required due to tight deadlines for October submission deadline mentioned in the above record.

The meeting was closed by the Chair at 11:11am.

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Stronger Towns Fund Goldthorpe

Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to outline the proposition for engagement and/or consultation with residents of the Goldthorpe with regards the development of the Stronger Towns plan. Engagement and consultation with residents will assist the Board in validating and/or making the necessary amendments to the draft Stronger Towns plan. Through this process the Board will take on the wishes and views of Goldthorpe residents and ensure the proposals are fit for purpose before any submission is made.

Background

The Communities Secretary announced on 4 March 2019 a new £1.6 billion Stronger Towns Fund for England. Goldthorpe was identified as one of the Towns that could, through a competitive process submit proposals in order to try and secure 25 million investments into the town.

The Communities Secretary recognised the importance of creating such a fund to enable Towns to develop that were not benefiting from the wider regional economy. The core objectives that have been set are to drive economic growth, urban regeneration planning and land use, skills and enterprise and connectivity.

The Towns Board have already met several times and discussed priorities/specific projects for the area in order to formulate a plan for Goldthorpe. What provides more weight to the initial discussion outcomes is that in 2019 the Area Team consulted locally and many of the areas for development and concerns were highlighted by residents.

As a follow on the Board would like to go back out and consult/engage with Goldthorpe residents in order to show the participants how some of their ideas have been developed, keep them engaged with this process and to discuss the draft plan.

Proposal

Within the time frame allocated there needs to be time built in to pull all of the findings together, this approach needs agreeing by the Board and the draft plan needs to be developed. The draft plan will form the questions that we are going out to ask residents and consultation will be for a 2 week period following approval of the draft plan by the Board. Given the timescales for expedient change as part of this programme, the preferred model will be to undertake public engagement activities in a variety of ways. Obviously in this climate it is far more difficult to engage face to face but these options will be considered whilst obviously adhering to social distancing.

- Develop an online link using BMBC smart survey mechanism (no more than five questions)
- This should be shared on social media, through the neighbourhood network and by our partner organisations.
- Work with partner organisations that are still operating in the area and conduct face to face consultations. Obviously taking into consideration safety etc.
- Conduct telephone consultations, using volunteers, area team and partner organisations (any one taking part in this process will need a full briefing beforehand)
- Findings from the face to face and telephone can be inputted into the survey to make collation easier. The survey will run off a brief report based on results.

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