

<b>MEETING:</b>	Goldthorpe Town Deal Board
<b>DATE:</b>	Thursday 1 February 2024
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY

## MINUTES

**Present** Matthew Stephens (Chair), Councillor Sue Bellamy, Councillor Wendy Cain, Councillor Dorothy Coates, Councillor Abi Moore, Councillor Martin Morrell, Matt Bowker, Colin Buxton, Tim Coleman, PS Paul Aston, Andy Lock, Antonio Jamasb, Alex Clegg, Rachael Allington, Joshua Clough, Michael Cotton, Claire Dawson, Rebecca Gamble, Jenny Lockwood, James Eggington (Secretary), Suzanne Brough, Robert Gamble, Chris Cotney and Jess Baxter

### 441 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Daniel Harper, Rebecca Slack, John Healey MP, Stacey Chaplin, Julie Tattershall, and Justin Homer.

### 442 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Antonio Jamasb has a Dearne & District Football club community building in close proximity to welfare park. The BMBC team are aware of this.

### 443 MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING

**Action:** BMBC to talk to colleagues in assets management to see if any further information is available re: the former primary school site.

**Update:** Internal discussions ongoing to agree how to facilitate the development of the former primary school site.

In addition, opportunities to facilitate clearance of vegetation within the site is being investigated. Community payback to be discussed as an option with PS Aston and could look at local organisations regarding social value options.

**Action:** Highways and Right of Way team to be contacted for an update to underpass and discuss invitation to the February board meeting.

**Update:** Highways have given apologies to the February board meeting. A separate meeting has been held with Highways and the Right of Way team. Right of Way team have confirmed that the underpass will be kept as a public right of way. Further links have been made with the team overseeing the works who will be in contact when a timescale to repairs is available.

**Action:** Up to date spend information to be shared with Board

**Update:** A confidential report showing spend to the end of Dec23 has been circulated with the Board paper pack for information.

**Action:** Statistics/updates regarding the new Market to be kept on as a regular update to board.

**Update:** Information on the market has been included within the highlight report and Impact & Legacy is proposed as a new, ongoing agenda item.

**Action:** SYMCA investment zone representative to be invited by Rebecca Slack to attend the February Board meeting to provide an update.

**Update:** Rebecca Slack and the investment zone representatives have given apologies for the Feb meeting due to a mandatory team day. This update has been rescheduled for the April Board meeting.

**Action:** Becca to contact Antonio regarding feasibility of using his site for the April meeting.

**Update:** A site visit has been completed and a microphone/connecting cables are being sought. A follow up to test the equipment will be arranged and providing it's suitable then a trial onsite Board meeting at Dearne & District's building next to the IKIC centre will be arranged for the April board.

#### 444 GOVERNMENT UPDATES

This item was brought forward on the agenda to item 4 (see minutes item 444) to announce an update/outcome for the recently submitted Project Adjustment Request (PAR).

Alex Clegg advised that the PAR has been accepted and BMBC are awaiting the formal confirmation with an updated financial profile from DLUHC.

#### 445 TOWN INVESTMENT PLAN UPDATE

Highlight Report and Plan on a Page included for information purposes only.

**Items for escalation to board:**

**Programme:** The risk around the Project Adjustment Request (PAR) submission is increased in likelihood for this period until we receive the outcome of the process. This can be lowered once the formal paperwork approving the PAR is received.

**Project Level:** Project D – Housing Regen (GHP) The risk around unsecured funding is currently escalated until we have the outcome of the PAR decision. This can be lowered once the formal paperwork approving the PAR is received.

At a project level, there is also a full business case to do in relation to the SYMCA funding so a risk is escalated until that has been approved.

**Key decisions required from board this period:** None this period.

**Impact / Legacy Highlights to Board:**

**Programme:** Impact & Legacy is reported in the highlight report and recommended as an ongoing agenda item at Board meetings. This was agreed.

**Project Level:**

Heart of Goldthorpe – Impact & Legacy - What support could Board provide to support the market and encourage use until it becomes more established? This was discussed further under the business engagement theme later in the agenda.

Cultural Hub – Legacy – being reviewed following the Heart of the Wood production

and will be linked into the Board legacy work.

Housing – Impact – It was noted that there was a low take up of the initial LAD3

retrofit opportunity which had a short timeline to spend that match funding.

The plan for the full project is being developed.

A discussion regarding existing footfall information took place. The board were advised that improvements to this information are being investigated as part of wider Enabling Barnsley schemes. Further discussion took place regarding the work of Principal Towns and what options they have found to help facilitate improvements.

Councillor Coates advised regarding concerns from shop owners and engaging local businesses.

This was agreed to be discussed further under agenda item 6.

The Board requested that when the market is under the maximum occupancy levels, the market team consider other ways to display stalls to maximise impact on the area.

## **446 BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT REVIEW**

This item was moved to agenda item 6 (see minutes item 446) due to technology issues.

A presentation was shared for board members only.

Input relating to the business engagement item had already begun under the ‘Minutes from previous meeting and matters arising’ and the ‘Town Investment Plan update’ items.

A useful discussion took place with substantial amounts of feedback and ideas from GTF board members including recognition of Wombwell business forum success and Healthy High Street initiatives.

**Decision – Business engagement to be an ongoing agenda item recognising that supporting the high street is a key priority for GTF Board as part of the legacy planning**

**Action - BMBC towns fund team will carry out mapping exercise including linking to the results of a high street assessment that is currently taking place in order that board can consider all information available and start to consider future initiatives to support the high street.**

#### **447 NEW ACCESS ROUNDABOUT (PROJECT K) + COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT FUND (PROJECT L) DEEP DIVE**

This was moved to agenda item 7 (see minutes item 447) due to technology issues.

A presentation was shared for board members only.

A confidential discussion was held regarding Project K+L.

**Action – BMBC to pull together a high level categorisation of spend on project L to date.**

#### **448 GOLDTHORPE TOWNS FUND IMPACT AND BOARD LEGACY PLANNING**

A presentation was shared for board members only.

**Decision - Legacy to be added as a standard agenda item for the GTF board.**

Claire Dawson raised the issue of the overgrown area behind the rear wall of the Horse and Groom square and the need for a sustainable approach to prevent recurrences of this issue.

Andy Lock discussed the importance of creating a shared investment plan vision for the Board and have a common understanding of who the board needs to work with, to facilitate discussion on issues such as this. Wishes to keep Youth Engagement momentum going following on from the successful Heart of the Wood productions.

A discussion was also held regarding further youth engagement projects.

**Action – Youth Engagement subgroup feedback will be added to the April board’s agenda which will include an update on the Legacy work.**

**Action – look at options for Board to have a session on a shared investment plan**

#### **449 COMMUNICATION PLAN**

A presentation was shared for board members only.

Following feedback regarding local businesses not being aware of some activities such as the recent story trail launch, Mike Cotton extended a request to board members to advertise the Council’s and Dearne Area Team’s social media pages to members of the public to help improve engagement. Claire Dawson also advised that there is a physical Noticeboard outside Goldthorpe library that is updated by the Dearne Area Team every 2 weeks, as well as ones in Thurnscoe and Bolton.

*For information: Following the meeting, Dearne Area Team confirmed the locations of all of the community noticeboards that they update.*

- *Goldthorpe x1 : Outside Goldthorpe library*
- *Bolton x1 : St Andrews Square*

- *Thurnscoe x4 : Thurnscoe Cemetery, Merril Road, Thurnscoe Park, Outside Houghton Road Centre*

Board expressed that the Heart of the Wood performances were amazing and wished to particularly thank Liane Holdsworth for the work she had done on this.

#### 450 SOUTH YORKSHIRE MAYORAL COMBINED AUTHORITY UPDATES

Rebecca Slack has issued apologies and so this update and the investment zone update have been moved to the April agenda.

#### 451 FORWARD PLAN

Board Date	Suggested Format	Agenda Item	Suggested Papers and when to be circulated	
11 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Face to Face - venue TBC after second trial of technology / booking confirmation	Cultural Hub Deep Dive	- Copy of presentation - Summary slide highlighting Key discussion points and actions/decisions required	with agenda, week before meeting
		SYMCA Investment Zone Update	- Copy of presentation - Summary slide highlighting Key discussion points and actions/decisions required	with agenda, week before meeting
23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2024 <i>NB date may change subject to DLUHC confirming M&amp;E dates</i>	Teams TBC	Heart of Goldthorpe Deep Dive	- Copy of presentation - Summary slide highlighting Key discussion points and actions/decisions required	with agenda, week before meeting
		Monitoring & Evaluation Return Update on - Programme & Project Status - Programme & Project progress - Financial information - Outputs - Outcomes - Risks	M&E report for DLUHC - Executive Summary of Key points	with agenda, week before meeting
18 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Teams TBC	Goldthorpe Housing Project Deep Dive Housing Retrofit Deep Dive	- Copy of presentation - Summary slide highlighting Key discussion points and actions/decisions required	with agenda, week before meeting

## 452 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Rachael Allington gave an update on the SYMCA mayor's recent visit to Goldthorpe, and the points which were raised of the work that is being done. Highlighted the legacy of the Towns Fund.

Andy Lock followed up on the request for feedback regarding the Highlight Report - a request to simplify the reports given to board members in the pack to aid ease of understanding. Would like a summary page to be distributed including risks which need to be escalated.

**Action – BMBC to devise a simpler version of the highlight report to share at the next board to potentially move to version which summarises only the key points.**

Claire Dawson raised the issue of the condition of the Horse and Groom square illegal signage.

Rachael Allington clarified that a new sign naming the square as 'Horse and Groom Square' is in the process of being designed and ordered and will be installed in the square in due course.

Matthew Stephens – has been approached by Big Local Thurnscoe requesting assistance for an event celebrating 10 years of Big Local Thurnscoe

**Action – James Eggington to circulate to Board members**

Date of next meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> April Face to Face – venue TBC following technology check and booking confirmation.

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