

<b>MEETING:</b>	Goldthorpe Town Deal Board
<b>DATE:</b>	Thursday 11 April 2024
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room - Goldthorpe Town Hall

## MINUTES

**Present** Matthew Stephens (Chair), Councillor Sue Bellamy, Councillor Dorothy Coates, Matt Bowker, Colin Buxton, Tim Coleman, Andy Lock, Antonio Jamasb, Alex Clegg, Rachael Allington, Stacey Chaplin, Claire Dawson, Rebecca Gamble, Daniel Harper, Jenny Lockwood, Julie Tolhurst, Suzanne Brough, Teresa Williams, Alison Dalton, Steph Lee, Josh Clough, Joseph Quinn (as substitute) and James Eggington (Secretary)

### 453 GOVERNANCE

**a. Apologies (Chair)**

PS Aston, Julie Tattershall, John Healey MP, Stephanie Peacock MP, Cllr Bowler, Cllr Cain, Cllr Moore, Cllr Morrell, Sarah Clyde, Justin Homer, Rebecca Slack, Mike Cotton

**b. Declarations of Interest (Chair)**

Antonio Jamasb is a stakeholder to and has neighbouring land to welfare park

**c. Accept minutes from previous meeting (Chair)**

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted.

**d. Updates (Becca Gamble)**

Resignation from Board – Chris McGinley.

The Chair and Board thanked Chris for his work on the Board. Vice chair offered to contact Chris to seek feedback from his experience on the board.

Cllr Coates is also leaving the Board to move to another ward in the upcoming elections. The Board thanks Cllr Coates for her contribution to the Board to date.

Cllr Coates also thanked the board for their hard work and for the high levels of professionalism exhibited by the Towns Fund Team.

**e. SYMCA Update (Rebecca Slack)**

Rebecca Slack issued apologies but Joseph Quinn attended in her place to provide the Investment Zone update.

Investment Zone Presentation (SYMCA representative – Joseph Quinn)

A presentation was shared for board members only regarding what the SYMCA investment zones are, their relation to innovation led growth, and how they relate to the Goldthorpe and wider Dearne area.

(Jenny Lockwood joined the meeting)

(Colin Buxton joined the meeting)

(Tim Coleman joined the meeting)

(Alex Clegg joined the meeting)

A discussion ensued on the level of entry to this programme and how clustering could be used to generate opportunities for ES10 and Barnsley.

A discussion ensued regarding skills support for this programme and upskilling the local population. Joseph Quinn pointed out SYMCA is willing to subsidise some of this training, but pot of money is limited.

Councillor Coates requested assurance from SYMCA that local spend and resources will be prioritised over subcontracting further afield.

**Action** – Dan Harper to liaise with Joseph Quinn and keep Board informed of any potential opportunities.

A discussion was held regarding innovation and other opportunities that which can work alongside the investment zones.

Joseph Quinn stated that the Investment Zone programme is expected to start in the next 6 months and will be done in stages. Close collaboration with all partners will be needed to ensure the viability of the site. Councillor Coates pointed out that there is still lots of work to do prior to the planning stage.

Board felt that their priority from this opportunity is connecting local people.

#### **f. Government Updates (Alex Clegg)**

Monitoring and Evaluation – Alex provided clarification to focus on delivery in the upcoming reporting window.

Provided an explanation on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund coming to an end and the plans of what is next for Barnsley.

Alex clarified that the Long-Term Plans for Towns funding is identified for Barnsley Town Centre.

Councillor Coates requested assurance that Goldthorpe will continue to be considered for future funding and future Government plans.

Dan Harper advised that the Council is always seeking other potential future investment to complement the Towns Fund.

## 454 TOWNS FUND PROGRESS UPDATES

### a. Progress against previous meetings actions (Rachael Allington)

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

**Update:** Cleanup of the site has now been completed.

**Action:** Teresa to provide an update regarding the delivery of Cllr Gardiner's memorial stone.

**Update:** A memorial stone will be installed in the square with a dedication to Cllr Gardiner engraved on it. The stone, engraving, and placement have all been done with Janet Gardiner's input and agreement. Delivery of this is expected in the next few weeks.

**Action:** Teresa to investigate cleanup opportunities for the back of the Horse and Groom Square site.

**Update:** Teresa has spoken to neighbourhood services, cleanup is planned to happen however cannot happen right now as it is nesting season. The cleanup will happen once this season is over.

**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.

**Update:** This exercise is being investigated, the latest plans for Business Engagement will be discussed under the Business engagement item, which will be a regular item.

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

**Update:** Investment zone representative has confirmed attendance to the April Goldthorpe Town Board. The SYMCA item has been moved higher up the agenda to accommodate their attendance.

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

**Update:** A second site visit to test additional technology was completed and Dearne and District FC is being used as a trial hybrid April Board meeting.

### b. Items for escalation to board / Key decisions required from board this period (Rachael Allington):

**Escalation:** Project F – Phoenix Park: Given the red and amber top 3 risks on this project, BMBC have been holding more frequent contract meetings with Land Trust to understand any implications for the delivery of the Towns Fund Project

A supporting Health Impact Assessment will be carried out for phoenix park to support the planning application.

**Key Decision:** Programme level - Agreement required to move to simplified version of the highlight report for future meetings.

Andy Lock expressed his appreciation of the new highlight report.

**Decision:** The updated highlight report format has been accepted by board.

**c. Updated Highlight Report (Rachael Allington)**

This was discussed under item 2c.

**d. Project G: Cultural Hub Deep Dive (Josh Clough)**

A presentation was shared for Board members only.

Clarification was provided regarding the residential nature of the area surrounding the Playhouse.

Josh advised that the Playhouse will remain open to 15<sup>th</sup> July and will then be closed until September whilst internal works are taking place.

Antonio Jamasb requested clarification regarding the mapping of the improvements to the Public Rights of Way.

Rachael Allington provided an explanation of the planned works and the ownership of these.

**Action** – the Red Line Boundary will be checked against the planned work at Welfare Park area and shared with Antonio.

**Action** – Josh to liaise with Antonio as a key stakeholder in the area regarding the paths and roads and general infrastructure of the site.

A discussion was held regarding the potential of EV charging facilities in the Welfare Park car park, funding opportunities for this and security/maintenance concerns. Tim Coleman requested if this could be linked to Phoenix Park, depending on the opportunity.

Antonio raised that there is the potential of more car parking space in the area if funding is available.

**Action** – EV charging opportunities to be followed up outside of this meeting with Stacey Chaplin's sustainability team.

Alison Dalton raised that there is potential from sustainable travel section 106 money.

**Action** – Josh to Investigate section 106 opportunity up with Laura Sharman.

Stacey Chaplin raised that these charging points need to connect to local distribution points and there is not much natural surveillance for security purposes. Josh advised that CCTV is being installed in the park using the Safer Streets funding. A query was raised regarding the success of CCTV as an ASB deterrent. Claire Dawson advise that there had been improvements at the Embankment site since installation there.

**Action** - Josh Clough will look at getting information from PS Aston as to the impact of CCTV measures on reducing ASB.

A discussion was held regarding the representation of BMBC on the Playhouse Committee. Confirmation was provided that as part of the grant agreement there is now 2 BMBC representatives on the constitution. BMBC nominations to sit on the committees are usually ratified at Full Council in May.

In order to support the legacy of the Towns fund investment, the committee are being supported to update the formal constitution agreements and business plans in order that they are in a position to seek other alternative forms of funding.

Legacy information such as investment secured, audience figures and cultural events held will be requested, and the potential for a committee member to join the Towns Board to make linkages with the community and Dearne & District.

Matthew Stephens asked whether the refurbishment plans included potential music space.

Josh Clough clarified that there will be a rehearsal space in the basement. Concern was raised about the specification of the damp works to the basement as this had been carried out previously. Josh confirmed that we are confident with the specification and the works will be under guarantee.

Andy Lock provided an update on the Heart of the Wood performance legacy work and potential future funding through the fusion partnership. It is the goal to make young people feel like the Playhouse is their facility. Liane Holdsworth will scope out what the proposal may look like.

Board is in support of this and would like this work to feed into the legacy of the Board and the Cultural Hub project.

#### **e. Updates from subgroups/task groups**

##### **i. Youth Engagement (Josh Clough / James Eggington)**

A presentation was shared for board members only.

An update on feedback and follow on actions from the Youth Engagement subgroup was shared.

##### **ii. Business Engagement (Becca Gamble / Teresa Williams)**

A presentation was shared for board members only.

Claire Dawson left the meeting.

BMBC Employment and Skills team are hosting an event in Goldthorpe on 18<sup>th</sup> April.

**Action** - Becca to put Matthew Stephens and Tim Coleman in touch with Employment and Skills as they requested further information.

Business engagement was discussed as an ongoing piece of work, linked to the Heart of Goldthorpe project and the work on the High Street.

This item will link to a save the high street commission which will then be brought back to a future board.

Matthew Stephens raised that he wishes for Board to be involved with this commission and that he knows of businesses in Goldthorpe which wish to expand, and so should be consulted.

The feedback from the last Board discussion has already been shared with the Consultant and a follow-on session for Board members for any further comments has been requested.

**f. Communication updates (Steph Lee)**

Mike Cotton has issued apologies so this item will be delivered by Steph Lee. A presentation was shared for Board members only.

A discussion was held regarding the progress of the Story Trail app,

**Action** - Steph Lee will find out more info on this.

**455 IMPACT AND BOARD LEGACY PLANNING**

**a. Impact and Legacy (Rachael Allington)**

This item will be postponed to next board due to time constraints.

**b. Future Meeting schedule (Rachael Allington)**

Proposed lighter touch agenda in May as this is sooner than the usual cycle to support Monitoring & Evaluation submission in May 24

New proposed date for GTF board meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> November to accommodate M&E return dates – 14<sup>th</sup> November.

**Decision** – This date was accepted.

**456 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**a) Forward Plan (Rachael Allington)**

The Phoenix Park deep dive may be brought forward due to the escalation to Board.

Board Date	Suggested Format	Agenda Item	Suggested Papers and when to be circulated	
23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2024  <i>Agenda items to be limited due to timing of meeting being earlier, based on M&amp;E submission.</i>	Teams	<b>Primary Focus:</b> Impact and Legacy	- Copy of presentation - Summary slide highlighting Key discussion points and actions/decisions required	with agenda, week before meeting
		<b>Primary Focus:</b> Monitoring & Evaluation Return Update on - Programme & Project Status - Programme & Project	M&E report for DLUHC - Executive Summary of Key points	with agenda, week before meeting

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- progress</li> <li>- Financial information</li> <li>- Outputs</li> <li>- Outcomes</li> <li>- Risks</li> </ul>		
18 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Teams	Heart of Goldthorpe Deep Dive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Copy of presentation</li> <li>- Summary slide highlighting Key discussion points and actions/decisions required</li> </ul>	with agenda, week before meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Face to Face	Goldthorpe Housing Project Deep Dive Housing Retrofit Deep Dive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Copy of presentation</li> <li>- Summary slide highlighting Key discussion points and actions/decisions required</li> </ul>	with agenda, week before meeting

**c) Any Other Business (All) Chair to introduce.**

Housing - CPO Cabinet Report will be going to cabinet in next couple of weeks. Update on this will be provided when available.

A short update was provided on the progress of the Housing Retrofit project.

A request was given from Board to the communications team regarding the streets where there are planned demolitions and shuttered properties. Sensitive branding on the shutters should be added so local people can see why they are closed.

**Action:** Logos on shuttered properties is being investigated

Date of next meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> May via Teams

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Chair