

Time Commenced – 6:00 pm
Time Finished – 6.50 pm

Regeneration and Housing Scrutiny Review Board

3 July 2018

Present: Councillor Hassall (Chair)
Councillors Bayliss, Care, Hussain, McCristal, Potter, Rawson and West

In Attendance: Councillor Webb
Verna Bayliss – Strategic Partnership Manager

01/18 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

08/18 Late Items

There were no late items.

03/18 Declarations of Interest

Councillors Care and Hussain declared that they were Members of Derby Homes Board.

Councillor Rawson declared that he was appointed to Marketing Derby

Councillor Care declared that she was appointed to the Renaissance Board

04/18 Minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2018 were agreed subject to the insertion of the words 'it was suggested that Members of the Conservation Area Advisory Committee not be Members of the Planning Control Committee or an alternative Committee should be formed to give an alternative view. That Board should be consulted on planning applications.' at the end of the seventh paragraph on minute no 32/17.

05/18 Derby – Nottingham Metropolitan Strategy

The Board considered a report which updated the Board on the Derby – Nottingham Metropolitan Strategy.

Members of the Board asked what effect there would be if any local authority adopted different governance arrangements. It was reported that the neighbouring County Councils of Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire and Lincolnshire had formally announced that they wanted to form a “Strategic Alliance” as a step towards

a future Devolution Deal. There were no details at present but it was hoped that this would be in the context of the D2N2 LEP. It was noted that Mayoral Combined Authorities had been directly awarded funding from some Government funding streams, with other areas having to bid for the remainder. There was a need to get the best deal for Derby and work with a wide range of partners where there was added value.

A Member of the Board asked when outputs were likely to be available. It was reported that the strategy was now beginning to clarify priorities rather than actually having outputs but it was hoped that this would be established over the next six months.

A Member of the Board referred to concerns that may be raised by both Erewash Borough Council and Broxtowe Borough Council about the Metro and being squeezed by the cities. Members felt strongly that neighbouring districts needed to be engaged and included.

It was suggested that D2N2 LEP should be looking at how to respond to challenges such as Brexit and managing economic risk. It was reported that the LEP were refreshing their Strategic Economic Plan at present and this may provide some answers.

Members of the Board recommended that Council Cabinet explore and take advantage of any opportunities for devolution. The D2N2 area had missed out on significant investment which could have increased prosperity and supported local residents.

A Member of the Board asked how dependent the success of the Metro Strategy was on getting buy-in from the surrounding district councils. It was reported that the study carried out by Metro Dynamics into the economic potential of the metro had stated that significant gains could only be made if the area operated collaboratively, as equal partners. There was a need to consider major projects to maximise the benefit to the area such as the growth around East Midlands Airport and HS2 at Toton. The cities needed to reach out to the districts to allay fears. There are high levels of interdependency between residents and businesses right across the area. There needed to be clearer communication and engagement to demonstrate how working together could be successful.

A Member of the Board stated that the districts had less resource to be involved in dialogue and therefore were probably not aware of the benefits it could bring. It was suggested that these are better communicated. It was recommended that Council Cabinet be requested to draw up a strategy to help sell the benefits of collaboration to the smaller districts to get them on board for mutual gain.

Members of the Board felt that any partnership needed to be on an equal footing. One of Derby's strengths was the good relationships it had with the private sector.

Resolved

1. To note the report.

2. **To recommend Council Cabinet to explore and take advantage of any opportunities for devolution deals.**
3. **To recommend Council Cabinet to draw up a strategy to engage with the district authorities and help sell the benefits of collaboration to them and get them on board for mutual gain.**

06/18 Remit, Work Programme and Topic Reviews

The Board considered a report which allowed the Board to study its Terms of Reference and Remit for the forthcoming Municipal Year. The report also allowed officers to inform the Board of any key work areas, issues or potential topic review subjects within the service areas for discussion or inclusion in the work programme.

The Board agreed a number of items for the work programme. Members did not identify a specific item for a topic review at this time.

Resolved to request the Chair, Vice Chair and appropriate officers to consider the following items for inclusion in the work programme for 2018/19

- **Welfare Reform - Universal Credit Roll Out impact on rent collection and rent arrears**
- **Housing Green paper – if issued in time**
- **Housing Issues Update**
- **Provision of Social Housing**
- **Impact of the Homelessness Reductions Act**
- **Marketing Derby – How to bring more investment into the City – more input into the planning process – see what has changed – anything for the better**
- **Rolls-Royce – job losses impact**
- **Diverse economy – need a larger no of high tech companies**
- **Brexit – effects on the City – make sure there are no economic shocks for City – what can we do to smooth the transition and issues around motor manufacturing industry**
- **City Centre Regeneration**
- **Moorways**
- **Performance Venue**
- **Infinity Garden Village**
- **Rolls-Royce main works site – what is the position with no movement on the site**
- **A52**
- **Residents parking – does the scheme work?**
- **Air Quality**
- **Climate Change – mitigation beyond OCOR, CO2 emissions?**
- **Empty Homes – how to work better with the private sector**
- **Home Occupancy – shortage of single bed accommodation**
- **City Centre Masterplan – delivery monitoring**
- **Assembly Rooms – evidence of best way forward**

- **Cycle network development, joining together and links into local Cycling and Walking Investment Plan**
- **Metro Strategy Update**

07/18 Items Referred from the Executive Scrutiny Board

There were no items referred from the Executive Scrutiny Board.

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