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Subject: Leeds City Region Planning Portfolios Board Update

1 Purpose

- 1.1 To provide the LEP Board with an update on the activity of the LCR Planning Portfolios Board.

2 Progress Update

- 2.1 Since the last update was provided to the LEP Board, the LCR Planning Portfolios Board has met once on the 21st July 2017.

Local Plans

Craven

- 2.2 David Smurthwaite Craven District Council provided an update on the progress with preparation of the **Craven Local Plan**, pre-publication consultation, forthcoming publication (September 2017) and submission. The Local Plan includes Site Allocations.

The Board noted that the Craven Local Plan has been positively prepared and given due consideration to cross boundary issues.

Strategic Planning

- 2.3 The Planning Portfolios Board considered the spatial planning implications of the **HS2 Strategy**. This was an opportunity for the Board members to be updated on progress so far and comments were invited on regional connectivity priorities. The Board welcomed the joint presentation from Leeds City Council and WYCA and noted the report.

Joint Evidence

- 2.4 A **housing monitoring report** has been prepared for the Leeds City Region by WYCA. The Board considered the planning issues raised by the findings of this evidence. Planning challenges were identified including affordability of housing and providing for an ageing population. It was noted that housing completions for the Leeds City

Region are within the Strategic Economic Plan range of between 10,000 and 13,000 homes per annum but that work needed to continue to address the issue of unimplemented planning permissions.

- 2.5 A **Joint Waste Capacity Analysis** has been commissioned by WYCA on behalf of the 5 WY authorities. The commission is due to complete by September 2017 and will be considered at the December meeting of the Board in advance of publication.
- 2.6 Work on the 2017 **West Yorkshire Local Aggregates Assessment** is ongoing and consultation with the industry will be undertaken shortly. A final report will be considered by the Board in December 2017 in advance of publication.

3 Recommendations

- 3.1 The LEP Board is asked to note the progress made to date.