

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WEST YORKSHIRE AND YORK INVESTMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2020 AS A REMOTE MEETING

Present:

Councillor Denise Jeffery (Chair) Wakefield Council

Roger Marsh OBE DL (Deputy Chair) Leeds City Region Enterprise

Partnership

Councillor Peter McBride Kirklees Council Councillor Alex Ross-Shaw Councillor Jane Scullion Councillor Andrew Waller Councillor Darren Byford

Bradford Council Calderdale Council City of York Council Wakefield Council

In attendance:

Melanie Corcoran West Yorkshire Combined Authority Angela Taylor West Yorkshire Combined Authority Fiona Limb West Yorkshire Combined Authority Seamus McDonnell West Yorkshire Combined Authority West Yorkshire Combined Authority Julia Radianec West Yorkshire Combined Authority **Heather Waddington** Justin Wilson West Yorkshire Combined Authority Ben Kearns West Yorkshire Combined Authority

15. **Apologies for Absence**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Pryor.

16. **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

Councillor Scullion declared that she was a member of the Yorkshire and Humberside Regional Flooding and Coastal Committee

17. **Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public**

Resolved:

1. To highlight Appendices 1 to 4 to Agenda Item 6 which officers have identified as containing exempt information within the meaning of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.

- 2. To consider whether or not to accept the officers' recommendation in respect of the above information as set out in paragraph 4.1 of Agenda Item 6.
- 3. If the recommendation is accepted, to formally pass the following resolution:-

RESOLVED – That in accordance with paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Appendices 1 to 4 to Agenda Item 6 on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information and for the reasons set out in the report that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information

18. Minutes of the Meeting of the West Yorkshire and York Investment Committee held on 1 September

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the West Yorkshire ans York Investment Committee held on 1 September be approved.

19. Capital Spending and Project Approvals

Resolved:

The Committee considered a report which set out proposals for the progression of, and funding for, a number of West Yorkshire Combined Authority supported projects, including West Yorkshire plus Transport Fund (Transport Fund) and Local Growth Fund, for consideration by the Investment Committee at stages 1, 2 and 3 of the Combined Authority's assurance process. Members discussed the proposals for the progression of the following schemes which were detailed in the submitted report:

- Huddersfield Stations Gateway package Preparing for Transpennine Route Upgrade (TRU)
- Halifax, Walking Cycling and Bus Transformation Package North Halifax Cycle Super Highways, Park Ward Streets for People, Bus Priority
- TCF Leeds Rail Station Sustainable Travel Gateway
- Beech Hill, Halifax

- A6110/Leeds City Centre Package was withdrawn
- Change request for the Strategic Business Growth Programme

The Committee was also advised of the following decisions made through delegations to the Combined Authority's Managing Director since the last meeting:

- One Public Estate stage 6
- Transport Hubs & Public Transport Access Schemes Phase 2
- Urban Traffic Management Control (UTMC) Element C
- Corporate Technology Programme B07 Meeting Room Technology
- Digital Inward Investment Fund / Strategic Inward Investment Fund
- City Connect Phase 3: Castleford Greenway Phase 4
- Transforming Travel Centres

Resolved:

- (i) That in respect of the Huddersfield Stations Gateway package Preparing for Transpennine Route Upgrade (TRU) at Huddersfield and opening up employment sites schemes the Investment Committee recommended to the Combined Authority that
 - (a) The Huddersfield Stations Gateway package proceeds through Decision Point 2 and work commences on Activity 3 (outline business case)
 - (b) An indicative approval to the Combined Authority contribution of £28 million from the Transforming Cities Fund, with full approval to spend once the package has progressed through the assurance process to decision point 5 (Full Business Case plus finalised costs). Total Project Costs are £42 million (£28 million TCF, £10 million WY+TF and £4 million from Kirklees Council's Kirklees Town Centre Capital fund).
 - (c) Development costs of £99,679 are approved, to progress the scheme to decision point 3 (outline business case), taking the total approval to £0.916 million.
 - (d) The Combined Authority issue an addendum to the existing

Funding Agreement with Kirklees Council for expenditure of up to £0.916 million from the Transforming Cities Fund.

- (e) Future approvals are made in accordance with the Approval Pathway and Approval Route outlined in this report including at Decision Point 5 through a delegation to the Combined Authority's Managing Director following a recommendation by the Combined Authority's Portfolio Appraisal Team. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in this report.
- (ii) That in respect of the Halifax, Walking Cycling and Bus Transformation Package North Halifax Cycle Super Highways, Park Ward Streets for People, Bus Priority the Investment Committee recommended to the Combined Authority that:
 - (a) The Halifax Walking, Cycling, Rail and Bus Transformation package proceeds through Decision Point 2 and work commences on Activity 3 (outline business case) for individual schemes.
 - (b) An indicative approval to the Combined Authority contribution of £53.9 million from the Transforming Cities Fund, with full approval to spend once the package has progressed through the assurance process to decision point 5 (Full Business Case plus finalised costs). Total Project Costs are £71.805 million (£53.9 million TCF, £16.5 million WY+TF, £405,000 CMBC and £1m LTP for Park Ward Streets for People.
 - (c) An indicative approval to the total package value of £53.9 million is given from the Transforming Cities Fund with Full Approval to spend being granted once the scheme has progressed through the Assurance Process to Decision Point 5.
 - (d) Future approvals are made in accordance with the Approval Pathway and Approval Route outlined in this report including at Decision Point 5 through a delegation to the Combined Authority's Managing Director following a recommendation by the Combined Authority's Portfolio Appraisal Team. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in this report.
- (iii) In respect of the TCF Leeds Rail Station Sustainable Travel Gateway the

Investment Committee approved that:

- (a) The Leeds Station Sustainable Travel Gateway (LSSTG) scheme proceeds through decision point 3 (outline business case) and work commences on activity 5 (full business case plus finalised costs)
- (b) An indicative approval to the Combined Authority's contribution of £32.44 million (which will be funded through £31.69 million from the Transforming Cities Fund, £500,000 from the West Yorkshire plus Transport Fund and £250,000 from the Leeds Public Transport Investment Programme) is given with full approval to spend being granted once the scheme has progressed through the assurance process to decision point 5 (Full busines case with finalised costs). A further £100,000 in match funding will come from Network Rail taking the total project cost to £32.54 million.
- (c) Development costs of £3.01 million are approved, to progress the scheme to decision point 5 (Full business case with finalised costs), taking the total approval to £5.094 million
- (d) The Combined Authority issue an addendum to the existing Funding Agreement with Leeds City Council for expenditure of up to £5.094 million from the Transforming Cities Fund.
- (e) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in this report including at decision point 5 (Full business case plus finalised costs) through a delegation to the Combined Authority's Managing Director following a recommendation by the Combined Authority's Portfolio Appraisal Team. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in this report.
- (iv) In respect of Beech Hill, Halifax the Investment Committee approved that:
 - (a) The Beech Hill Phase 1b scheme proceeds through decision point 5 (full business case plus finalised costs) and work commences on activity 6 (delivery)

- (b) Approval to the Combined Authority's contribution of £797,000 funded from the Local Growth Fund is given. Total Project Costs for Phase 1a and 1b are £21.742 million; £1.4 million from previous the Local Growth Fund approval, £14.418 million from THA, £4.725 million Homes England and £402,000 CMBC.
- (c) That the Combined Authority issue an addendum to the existing Funding Agreement with Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council for expenditure of up to £2.197 million from the Growth Deal (£1.4 million Phase 1a, £0.797 million Phase 1b).
- (d) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in this report following a recommendation by the Combined Authority's Portfolio Appraisal Team. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in this report.
- (v) In respect of the change request for the Strategic Business Growth Programme the Investment Committee approved that:
 - (a) The Change Request for additional funding for the Strategic Business Growth Programme is approved to continue to deliver until 31 March 2023:
 - Government contribution of £1,620,551.
 - Local Growth Fund matched funding of £1,120,551.
 - SME matched funding of £500,000.
 - (b) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in this report. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined within this report.

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- (a) The Beech Hill Phase 1b scheme proceeds through decision point 5 (full business case plus finalised costs) and work commences on activity 6 (delivery)
- (b) Approval to the Combined Authority's contribution of £797,000 funded from the Local Growth Fund is given. Total Project Costs for Phase 1a and 1b are £21.742 million; £1.4 million from previous the Local Growth Fund approval, £14.418 million from THA, £4.725 million Homes England and £402,000 CMBC.
- (c) That the Combined Authority issue an addendum to the existing Funding Agreement with Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council for expenditure of up to £2.197 million from the Growth Deal (£1.4 million Phase 1a, £0.797 million Phase 1b).
- (d) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in this report following a recommendation by the Combined Authority's Portfolio Appraisal Team. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in this report.

20. ESIF SUD

The Committee considered a report on an outline application for Sustainable Urban Development (SUD), part of the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) and provided advice regarding the application.

Resolved: That the respective prioritised project list for SUD, part of the ESIF Programme, be recommended the Combined Authority, in its role as Intermediate Body.