Decisions taken by West Yorkshire Combined Authority

DATE OF MEETING:	Thursday, 9 December 2021
CIRCULATION:	Members of the WYCA Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Agenda Item No.	Subject/Title of Report	Decision(s)
5	Bus Enhanced Partnership	Resolved: That the Combined Authority:
		 approves the publication of the Notice of Intent to 'make' an EP Plan and Scheme.
		 b) approves the content of the draft EP Plan and Scheme for use in statutory consultation.
		 c) delegates the decision to submit the West Yorkshire Zero Emission Bus Regional Area (ZEBRA) bid to the Department of Transport to the Managing Director in conjunction with the Mayor.
6	COP26 and the West Yorkshire Climate and Environment Plan	Resolved: That the Combined Authority:
		 a) notes the progress made at COP26 and implications for the approach to achieving a net zero carbon West Yorkshire economy.
		 b) endorses the first priorities from the West Yorkshire Climate and Environment Plan identified at section 2.10 of the submitted report and agrees to delegate, if required, any final changes to the Managing Director in consultation with the Mayor.
		 c) agrees to work with partner local authorities to design the delivery mechanisms, and to identify and secure funding for a Climate and Environment Fund to support delivery of the Plan.

7	Integrated Rail Plan	Resolved: That the Combined Authority:
		a) notes the content of the submitted report.
		 b) endorses paragraph 2.11 as the proposed next steps in response to the published IRP.
8	West Yorkshire Business Accelerator Fund	Resolved: That the Combined Authority approves that, subject to the conditions set by PAT:
		 a) The West Yorkshire Business Accelerator Fund scheme proceeds through decision point 2 (Strategic Outline Case) and decision point 4 (full business case) and work commences on activity 5 (delivery).
		 b) The West Yorkshire Business Accelerator Limited Partnership, a Private Fund Limited Partnership, is established with the Combined Authority as the sole Limited Partner. The other party of the partnership will be the General Partner, a Special Purpose Vehicle to be set up by the appointed Fund Manager.
		 c) Approval is given to the Combined Authority's contribution of £21,650,000. The total scheme value is £21,650,000.
		 d) The Combined Authority delegate approval of the final investment strategy to the Managing Director.
		e) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in the submitted report and where required, any change requests are delegated to the Business, Economy, and Innovation Committee. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in the submitted report.
		<u>Conditions</u> The following conditions have been set by PAT to gain Approval to Proceed to Delivery:
		a) Sign off from the Combined Authority's Legal and Finance Team. Finalise and review

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		 Limited Partnership Agreement and Investment Management Agreement with Pinsent Mason as the external legal advisor of the Combined Authority. b) Review Environmental Social & Governance (ESG), Equality Diversity & Inclusion (EDI) KPIs and targets, discuss and agree with Fund Manager. c) Develop a clear Communications Strategy outlining reporting mechanisms and requirements from the Fund Manager.
		 d) Develop a robust Monitoring and Evaluation Plan setting out monitoring methodology, timelines, responsibilities, and evaluation reporting.
9	Budget, Business Plan and Gainshare	 Resolved: That the Combined Authority approves that: a) the assumptions and proposals in support of the budget are considered and approved for inclusion in the final proposed budget. b) the approach to business planning be supported. c) the work on the approach to and use of gainshare be considered, that the draft investment priorities be endorsed and further feedback provided to enable progress to continue.
10	Capital Spending and Project Approvals	 Resolved: a) That in respect of Project Marigold, the Combined Authority approves that: i) The Project Marigold scheme progresses through decision point 2 (Strategic Outline Case) and work commences on activity 4 (Full Business Case). ii) An indicative approval of the Combined Authority's contribution of £5,000,000 is given. The total

scheme value is £100,000,000.
 iii) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in the submitted report and where required any change requests are delegated to the Business, Economy, and Innovation Committee. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in the submitted report.
 b) That in respect of Bradford Interchange Resurfacing Works, the Combined Authority approves that, subject to the conditions set by PAT:
 i) The Bradford Interchange Resurfacing Works scheme proceeds through decision point 4 (full business case) and work commences on activity 5 (delivery).
 ii) Approval be given to the Combined Authority's contribution of £8,039,000, bringing to total to £8,501,000. The total scheme value is £8,501,000.
 iii) Future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance pathway and approval route outlined in the submitted report and where required, any change requests are delegated to the Place, Regenerations and Housing Committee. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in the submitted report.
<u>Conditions</u> The following conditions have been set by PAT to gain Approval to Proceed to Delivery:
a) Confirmation of funding and total scheme

		cost is within those set out in the FBC approval.
		 b) Contract with delivery partner finalised and evidenced.
		c) Confirmation whether an Asset Protection Agreement from Network Rail is required and if so, what impact this has on the programme.
		 d) Supply of an up-to-date programme for delivery.
		 e) Confirmation of project board set up and met.
11	City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement and Connectivity	Resolved: That the Combined Authority:
	Infrastructure Plan Next Steps	 a) notes the feedback from the public engagement on the Connectivity Infrastructure Plan and supporting documents.
		 b) approves (subject to the comments arising from recommendation 10.1 in the submitted report) the proposed amendments to the Connectivity Infrastructure Plan as identified in Appendix 1 of the submitted report, with the intention of considering an updated Final Connectivity Infrastructure Plan at the Combined Authority meeting of 3 February 2022
		 c) approves the submission of a City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement Programme Business Case to the Department for Transport, delegating approval to the Managing Director and the Mayor for the content and final appearance of the Programme Business Case.
		 approves, subject to the comments arising from the consultation and Transport Committee meeting, the proposed amendments to the Future Mobility Strategy. An updated Final Future Mobility Strategy will be presented at the Combined

		Authority meeting of 3 February 2022.
12	UK Community Renewal Fund	Resolved: That the Combined Authority:
		 a) notes the outcome of the UK Community Renewal Fund (UKCRF) process in West Yorkshire, including the confirmed funded projects, Appendix 1 of the submitted report, and project appraisal process.
		 b) authorises the Managing Director to enter into a funding agreement with the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) on behalf of the Combined Authority for an amount up to £2,539,429.
		 c) authorises the Managing Director to enter into a funding agreement with the seven Project Deliverers for an amount up to £2,489,638, as required by Government, acting as Lead Authority for the Fund in West Yorkshire.
		 d) indicatively approves £306,604, funding from the Single Investment Fund to create a test-case for establishing low carbon communities in Calderdale, whilst creating opportunities for residents to develop skills and build the foundations of long-term career and sustainable futures, in response to the West Yorkshire Community Renewal Fund Prospectus, with full approval to spend being granted once the project has progressed through the assurance process.
		e) delegates to the Finance, Resources and Corporate Committee, the approval of the project to pass through to Decision Point 4 totalling no more than £0.31m of funding from the Single Investment Fund.
14	Non-Transport Borrowing Powers	Resolved: That the Combined Authority:
		a) consents in principle to the regulations to provide the Combined Authority with the power to borrow for non-transport related functions, set out in the 'minded to'

Devolution Deal.
 b) delegates authority to the Managing Director of the Combined Authority, in consultation with the Leader and Chief Executive of each Constituent Council and the Chair of the Combined Authority, to finalise and consent to the final draft of the regulations further to any technical issues which may arise.