

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
WEST YORKSHIRE AND YORK INVESTMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON THURSDAY, 5 MARCH 2020 AT COMMITTEE ROOM A,
WELLINGTON HOUSE, 40-50 WELLINGTON STREET, LEEDS**

Present:

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

Kirklees Council
Bradford Council
Calderdale Council
City of York Council
Wakefield Council

In attendance:

Melanie Corcoran
Angela Taylor
Brian Archer
Lisa Childs
John Huxall
Ben Kearns

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57. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Jeffery, Roger Marsh and Councillor Pryor.

58. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Scullion and Councillor Waller declared that they were members of the Yorkshire Regional & Coastal Flood Committee.

59. Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no items which required the exemption of the press or public

60. Minutes of the Meeting of the West Yorkshire and York Investment Committee held on 5 February

Resolved: That the minutes of the Investment Committee held on the 5 February be approved.

61. Capital Programme Update

The Committee considered a report which provided an update on the implementation of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority's capital programme.

Members noted the latest outturn forecast and actual spend at quarter 3 and that expenditure was lower than expected and noted the risks and mitigations outlined at 2.4 in the submitted report.

Members noted the preparation underway for the Transforming Cities Fund announcement as well as an update on the Leeds Public Transport investment Programme.

Resolved: That the Investment Committee note the progress made in implementing the Combined Authority capital programme including the Growth Deal and Leeds Public Transport Investment Programme and the preparation in anticipation of the announcement on the Transforming Cities Fund.

62. Capital Spending and Project Approvals

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:

- A647 Corridor Scheme
- Normanton Rail Car Park project

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

- South Kirkby Business Park Enterprise Zone
- Stourton Park & Ride
- Harrogate Road – New Line
- A61 South Corridor
- A65 Signals
- Infirmary Street Gateway
- Stourton Park & Ride Electric Buses

Resolved:

- (i) That in respect of the A647 Corridor Scheme the Investment Committee approved:
 - (a) That the Leeds Public Transport Improvement Programme: A647

Corridor project proceed through decision point 4 and work commences on activity 5 (Full business case with finalised costs).

- (b) That an indicative approval to the total project value of £15.93 million is given from LPTIP fund with full approval to spend being granted once the scheme has progressed through the assurance process to decision point 5 (Full business case with finalised costs).
 - (c) That future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance 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 Programme Appraisal Team. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in this report.
- (ii) That in respect of the Normanton Rail Car Park project the Investment Committee recommended to the Combined Authority:
- (a) That the Normanton Rail Car Park project proceeds through decision point 5 and work commences on activity 6 (Delivery).
 - (b) That approval to the total project value of £1.987 million is given from the West Yorkshire plus Transport Fund.
 - (c) That the Combined Authority enters into a Section 56 Funding Agreement with Northern Trains Limited for expenditure of up to £1.635 million from the West Yorkshire plus Transport Fund.
 - (d) That 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 Programme Appraisal Team. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in this report.

(a) Bus Priority Corridors - A647

- (i) That in respect of the A647 Corridor Scheme the Investment Committee approved:
- (a) That the Leeds Public Transport Improvement Programme: A647 Corridor project proceed through decision point 4 and work commences on activity 5 (Full business case with finalised costs).
 - (b) That an indicative approval to the total project value of £15.93 million is given from LPTIP fund with full approval to spend

being granted once the scheme has progressed through the assurance process to decision point 5 (Full business case with finalised costs).

- (c) That future approvals are made in accordance with the assurance 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 Programme Appraisal Team. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in this report.

63. Grant Support for Flood Affected Businesses

The Committee considered a report which set out plans to provide grant support for flood affected businesses.

Members expressed their support for the proposals and the need for co-ordinate between the Combined Authority, partner councils and other sources of grant relief to co-ordinate funding and demonstrated joined up support in the region.

Resolved:

- (i) That an additional £3 million to be allocated to the Business Growth Programme from over-programming of the Local Growth Deal in order to fund the new schemes taking the full approval to the scheme to £37 million be approved.
- (ii) That future approvals are made in accordance with the Approval Pathway and Approval Route outlined in the previous Business Growth Programme (Growth Deal 3 Allocation) Decision Point 5 approval. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in that report.

(b) Grant support for flood affected businesses

Resolved:

- (i) That an additional £3 million to be allocated to the Business Growth Programme from over-programming of the Local Growth Deal in order to fund the new schemes taking the full approval to the scheme to £37 million be approved.
- (ii) That future approvals are made in accordance with the Approval Pathway and Approval Route outlined in the previous Business Growth Programme (Growth Deal 3 Allocation) Decision Point 5 approval. This will be subject to the scheme remaining within the tolerances outlined in that report.

