

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BUSINESS INVESTMENT PANEL HELD ON TUESDAY, 3 DECEMBER
2019 AT COMMITTEE ROOM A - WELLINGTON HOUSE, LEEDS**

Present:

Simon Wright (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Jane Scullion
Councillor Peter McBride
Colin Glass OBE
Jonathan King
Gareth Yates

Yorkshire Bank
Calderdale Council
Kirklees Council
WGN
Medusa Holdings Ltd
Ward Hadaway

In attendance:

Simon Middleton
Carl Wright
Phil Cole
Vincent McCabe
Neill Fishman
Lorna Holroyd
Lauren Thomas
Janette Woodcock

City of York Council
Clive Owen
Leeds City Council
West Yorkshire Combined Authority
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36. Apologies for absence

In the absence of Councillor Judith Blake, the meeting was chaired by Simon Wright.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Judith Blake, Councillor Shabir Pandor, Councillor Darren Byford, Councillor Alex Ross-Shaw, Councillor Graham Swift, Michael Allen and Marcus Mills.

37. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests

There were no items of disclosable pecuniary interests declared at the meeting.

38. Exempt information - Exclusion of the press and public

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 and 2 to Agenda item 5 and Appendices

1,2 and 3 to Agenda item 6 on the grounds that they are likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceeds, 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.

39. Minutes of the meeting of the Business Investment Panel held on 7 November 2019

That the minutes of the Business Investment Panel held on 7 November 2019 be approved and signed by the Chair.

40. Strategic Inward Investment Fund update

The Panel considered a report which outlined the current position regarding progress in committing grants through the Leeds City Enterprise Partnership (the LEP) Strategic Inward Investment Fund (SIF).

The Panel considered the new grant application outlined in paragraph 3.1 and detailed in exempt Appendices 1 and 2.

Resolved:

- (i) That the SIF Progress report be noted.
- (ii) That the grant application outlined in paragraph 3.1 and detailed in exempt Appendices 1 and 2 be recommended for approval.

41. Business Growth Programme

The Panel considered a report to outline the current position regarding progress in committing grants through the Leeds City Enterprise (the LEP) Business Growth Programme (BGP)

Panel members considered the applications outlined in 3.1 and detailed in exempted Appendices 1 and 2 and was asked to note the update on previously approved projects as outlined in 4.3 and attached at exempt Appendix 3.

Resolved:

- (i) That the progress report be noted.
- (ii) That the grant applications detailed in 3.1 and attached at exempt Appendices 1 and 2 be recommended for approval.
- (iii) That the update on previously approved projects as outlined in 5.1 and attached at exempt Appendix 3 be noted.

42. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on the 5 February.