

ROTHERHAM TOWN DEAL BOARD
Wednesday 14 April 2021

- 7** **NOTES OF THE ROTHERHAM TOWN DEAL BOARD MEETING HELD
ON 14TH APRIL, 2021 (ATTACHED)**

Rotherham Town Deal Board

Microsoft Teams Meeting due to Covid-19

14th April 2021, 8.45am-10.00am

<p style="text-align: center;">Attended By:</p> <p>Neil Baxter, Engie – NB (Chair) Councillor Denise Lelliott – DL Dan Needham, Muse Developments – DN Simon Moss, RMBC – SM Lizzie Dealey, CRT – LD Andrew Denniff, BRCC – AD Andy Lock, Coalfields Regeneration – AL Simeon Leach, RIDO RMBC – SL Vicki Norman, RIDO RMBC – VN Tim O’Connell, RIDO RMBC – TOC Steve Morris, Signs Express – Smo Paul Woodcock, RMBC – PW Julia Bloomer, AESSEAL – JB Lorna Vertigan, SCR – LV Sharon Thorpe, DWP – ST Ray Kinsella, Great Places – RK Tracey Mace-Akroyd, RNN Group -TMA Peter Hill , HMP Bespoke Construction Ltd – PH Sam Townsend, BIES/CLGU – ST</p>			<p style="text-align: center;">Apologies:</p> <p>Sarah Champion MP – SC Phil Hayes, Rotherham Confederation of Communities – Pha Nick Bussey, Rotherham CAB – NBu Tom Hawley, Homes England – TH Mike Smith, NHS – MS Colin Blackburn, SCR – CB Duncan Armstrong-Payne, Harworth – DAP Paul Harper, DWP – PH Joel Hamer, RIDO – Jha Lisa Pogson, Airmaster – LP Nikki Jones, AMRC – NJ Lucy Mitchell, RIDO RMBC – LM Stuart Kerr, Wilmott Dixon – SK Justin Homer, BIES/CLGU – JH Deborah Bullivant, Grimm & Co – DB</p>		
<p>Action Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any Board Members interested in joining a project group to speak to Chair or any member of the Project Team – ALL - Paper showing Boards/subgroups to be produced - SL - Stage 2 Guidance to be circulated – SL 					
7/21	<p>Apologies for Absence/Introductions and Declarations of Interest</p> <p>Apologies listed above.</p> <p>SM declared an interest in signage. MS declared an interest in Magna, where he is a Trustee. AD declared an interest in buildings on High Street, adjacent to the proposed Accelerator site.</p>				
8/21	<p>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meetings held on 13th and 19th January 2021</p> <p>The minutes were accepted as a true record.</p>				
9/21	<p>Update & Next Steps</p> <p>LV gave a presentation outlining the current position and the way forward, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recap of Town Deal so far - Accelerator project - Town Deal Requirements - Town Deal Timeline - Current Position 				

	<p>A lack of resources within RIDO was discussed, it was noted that LV is now a member of RIDO and additional posts are being created in line with the many funding streams coming forward.</p> <p>AD said we should work with all partners and, if necessary, use external resources who can help to get us where we want to be.</p>	
<p>10/21</p>	<p>Role of the Board going forward</p> <p>SL outlined the potential requirements of the Board going forward, it is felt that the Town Deal Board will be needed for a further 12 months as full business cases are produced for the projects. This will have links with the Business Growth Board. A Task and Finish/Sub Group for each of the 6 projects will be established with a strong preference for members from this Board involved in each of them.</p> <p>LV confirmed the role of this Board is to oversee procedures and make key decisions.</p> <p>It was agreed a review of the way the Board functions be carried out, taking advantage of the skills set we have through to the 6 project groups.</p> <p>Any members wanting to be involved in more depth in the sub groups to let the chair and/or the project team know.</p> <p>It was agreed a paper showing how all the current Boards and sub groups fit together to ensure no duplication and to understand each role and specialism, to also include SCR links and funding streams.</p> <p>SL to share the Stage 2 Guidance including the Role of the Board from MHCLG.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>SL</p> <p>SL</p>
<p>11/21</p>	<p>Communications & Public Facing TIP</p> <p>Smo commented on communications, there is a lot of new funding coming through, we must circulate positive news stories widely and change attitudes.</p> <p>SL confirmed that the submitted TIP contained confidential information, therefore, a public facing version is currently being completed and will be available shortly, subject to Purdah and the local elections. This document will be made as widely available as possible.</p> <p>PW commented on the wider communications and said promotion is very delicate in the bidding stage, we must be mindful of what and when we promote, but we should have something prepared, ready for the outcome. He added that the best comms in this, are the Board Members, spreading the word via social media and combating any negativity.</p> <p>AD agreed that comms is the key, people need to see that things happening, and regeneration delivered.</p> <p>The recent local stories implying the bid had been unsuccessful were mentioned, would be good to have local media on board for such a positive story. It was felt that when any monies are announced the good</p>	

	<p>news story will be bigger than just local news.</p> <p>SM mentioned the Rotherham Pioneers programme has lots of positive news stories, through both Pioneer events and the MyRotherham website, he suggested taking a look and/or contacting Jackie Freeborn for more information jackie.freeborn@rotherhampioneers.co.uk</p>	
12/21	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>There was no further business.</p>	
	<p>Date of next meeting: 19th May 2021, 8.45am-10.00am</p>	