ROTHERHAM TOWN DEAL BOARD Wednesday 15 September 2021

1 NOTES OF THE ROTHERHAM TOWN DEAL BOARD MEETING HELD ON 15TH SEPTEMBER, 2021 (ATTACHED)

Rotherham Town Deal Board

Microsoft Teams Meeting due to Covid-19 **15**th **September 2021, 9.00am-10.15am**

Attended By:

Neil Baxter, Engie – NB (Chair)

Simon Moss, RMBC – SM

Lizzie Dealey, CRT – LD

Andrew Denniff, BRCC – AD

Lisa Pogson, Airmaster - LP

Peter Hill, HMP Bespoke Construction Ltd - PH

Simeon Leach, RIDO RMBC – SL

Steve Morris, Signs Express – Smo

Lorna Vertigan, RIDO RMBC – LV

Ray Kinsella, Great Places – RK

Deborah Bullivant, Grimm & Co – DB

Nikki Jones, AMRC – NJ

Justin Homer, BIES/CLGU – JH

Sam Townsend, BIES/CLGU ST

Joel Hamer, RIDO – Jh

Tracey Mace-Akroyd, RNN Group -TMA

Karen Hall, DWP – KH***

Vicki Norman, RIDO RMBC – VN

Lucy Mitchell, RIDO RMBC – LM

Helen Revitt, AHR – HR

Isobel Hunter, RIDO RMBC - IH

Apologies:

Sarah Champion MP - SC*

Jacquie Falvey, Sarah Champion's office – JF*

Phil Hayes, Rotherham Conf. of Communities - Pha

Nick Bussey, Rotherham CAB – NBu

Tom Hawley, Homes England - TH

Julia Bloomer, AESSEAL – JB

Colin Blackburn, SCR - CB

-- Dayne Hawsenth DAD

Duncan Armstrong-Payne, Harworth – DAP

Dan Needham, Muse Developments – DN

Sharon Thorpe, DWP – ST***

Andy Lock, Coalfields Regeneration - AL

Stuart Kerr, Wilmott Dixon - SK

Councillor Denise Lelliott - DL

Paul Woodcock, RMBC - PW

Paul Harper, DWP - PH***

Tim O'Connell, RIDO RMBC – TOC

Mike Smith, NHS – MS

Action Points:

- NB to thank JB for her contribution to this Board.
- NB to keep Board updated on TDB Chairs' Meeting.
- LV to share reprioritisation tool with the Board.
- Any Board Members who would like to take over the role of Deputy of the Board to speak to NB/VN
- Today's presentations to be circulated to Board Members VN

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Apologies for Absence/Introductions and Declarations of Interest

Apologies listed above.

Smo declared an interest in signage. AD declared an interest in buildings on High Street, adjacent to the proposed Accelerator site.

JB is retiring from AESSEAL and from this Board, NB to thank JB for her contribution to this Board.

NB

23/21

Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting held on the 4th August 2021

The minutes were accepted as a true record.

Board Members interested in being involved with the project groups have contacted NB/VN.

NB said the Chairs meeting in July had been cancelled, there was a

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meeting yesterday and he will update this Board when he receives the notes.	NB
LV to share reprioritisation tool with the Board.	LV
24/21 Introduction to the Multi-Disciplinary Consultant Team	
AHR along with Turner and Townsend were introduced to the Board, they will be the consultants working with the Project Team on taking the projects forward. HR introduced herself and the rest of the team and gave a presentation on the schemes they have previously been involved with including Rotherham Central Station. Presentation to be circulated.	VN
LV said the contract should be transferred by Friday of this week, but AHR have already started working in partnership with us.	
NB said the Board are looking forward to working with AHR on the next stages of the Town Deal.	
25/21 Programme Update	
LV updated the Board.	
The letter has been sent to MHCLG, confirming the acceptance of the £31.6m.	
The Project Team are currently working with AHR working up projects towards the pre-app stage, due around December/January, then the Business Cases.	
The project team are ensuring all approvals from the Cabinet with regards to procurement are in place and the programme reporting structure is currently being reviewed. Also, looking at more of a dashboard to report back to the board in the future.	
JH confirmed that projects have to go through approval spend by June 2022.	
26/21 Corporation Street Update	
LM updated the Board with a short presentation with images of how it could look at 3-7 Corporation Street; including trying to make the frontages engaging. She added that the CPO route for the empty/burnt out buildings may need to be taken. Presentation to be circulated.	VN
A new concept including town houses is being looked at, probably a mix of sales and rental, but a better understanding of the market is currently being sought.	
RK said from his experience, needs lots of viability checks to ensure whatever is provided suits the community, lots of short term lets mean no long-term community. LM thanked RK for his input and will look further into this and possibly come back to RK for further information.	
AD asked about Corporation Street as a whole and said some of the buildings just need care and attention. LM said there are aspirations for	

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	the other areas and LV confirmed that other areas are being looked at, along with the link between Corporation Street and the rest of the town centre. SM said that all the works that are being carried out will improve the area and further phases will be kept on the radar. LP said a map of what is being developed, what fits in where, is needed so it can be easily shown what is happening and where in the town. The positive feedback from the public at the recent Rotherham Show was mentioned. SM said that we need to be consistent with what goes out via Comms, there is a lot happening, we need to keep on top of it all.	
27/21	Communications Working Document: SL and Jh met with Copper consultancy to plan a Comms Strategy/Plan, they will provide a summary for the Board. SL went through a short presentation which will be circulated to the Board.	VN
28/21	 Any Other Business Tomorrow is BRCC first event of the Year "Chamber Means Business" at the AESSEAL: NY Stadium, 9.00am start, everyone welcome to attend. NB asked as JB is retiring and she was the deputy of this Board, would any Board members like to take over this role? If interested, please speak to NB/VN. NB mentioned the composition of the Board and the skill set it can provide. Having spoken to Chairs of other Boards and now we have AHR as members, he feels we have enough skills in the Board but asked members to consider this and the need to utilise their skills and experience going forward. This will be discussed further at the next meeting; we need the appropriate skills to ensure the monies are spent correctly and may need to look at Project Champions. 	All
	Date of next meeting: 20 th October 2021 (9.00-10.15am)	