

ROTHERHAM TOWN DEAL BOARD
Wednesday 30 November 2022

11 **NOTES OF A MEETING OF THE ROTHERHAM TOWN DEAL BOARD
HELD ON 30TH NOVEMBER, 2022**

Rotherham Town Deal Board

Microsoft Teams Meeting

30 November 2022, 9.00am-10.15am

<p style="text-align: center;">Attended By:</p> <p>Neil Baxter, Engie – NB (Chair) Jacquie Falvey, Sarah Champion’s office – JF* Tracey Mace-Akroyd, RNN Group -TMA Steve Morris, Signs Express – StM Lizzie Dealey, CRT – LD Keely Beighton, Never Average Marketing - KB Ray Kinsella, Great Places – RK Raife Gaile, Muse Developments – RF Ryan Shepherd, SCR – RS Stuart Kerr, Wilmott Dixon – SK Paul Harper, DWP – Pha Joe Mothersole, Turner Townsend – JM Gary Chow, Turner Townsend - GC Simon Moss, RMBC – Smo Tim O’Connell, RIDO RMBC – TOC Simeon Leach, RIDO RMBC – SL Lorna Vertigan, RIDO RMBC – LV Simon Powell, RIDO RMBC – SP Maria Smith, RIDO RMBC – MS Megan Hinchcliff, RIDO RMBC- MH Catherine Davis, RIDO RMBC – CD Rachel Ellis, Comms RMBC – RE Gary Chow, Turner Townsed - GC</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Apologies:</p> <p>Sarah Champion MP – SC* Councillor Denise Lelliott – DL Andrew Denniff, BRCC – AD Deborah Bullivant, Grimm & Co – DB Helen Revitt, AHR – HR Lara Thornton, Counter Context – LT Harriet Knowles, Counter Context – HK Paul Woodcock, RMBC – PW Peter Hill , HMP Bespoke Construction – Phi Lisa Pogson, Airmaster – LP Phil Hayes, Roth Conf. of Communities – PH Nikki Jones, AMRC – NJ Lucy Mitchell, RIDO RMBC – LM Vicki Norman, RIDO RMBC – VN Justin Homer, BIES/CLGU – JH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Observer(s):</p> <p>Sam Townsend, BIES/CLGU - ST</p>
<p>Action Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Templeborough designs to be shared with the Board for input/comment – JM/VN - Comms on Pocket Park – RE/CD/VN - Programme/spend information to be circulated to Board - SP/VN 		
66/22	<p>Apologies for Absence/Introductions and Declarations of Interest</p> <p>Apologies listed above.</p> <p>StM declared an interest in any discussions relating to Council signage</p>	
67/22	<p>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting held on the 12 October 2022</p> <p>The action point for RE will be picked up in the Comms item</p> <p>The minutes were accepted as a true record.</p>	
68/22	<p>Project Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Riverside Residential Quarter At RIBA Stage 2. Looking at public realm works to Water Lane and then work on River Wall which is in poor shape. Sheet piling needed to steady it prior to work on River Walk. Footbridge has been removed from scheme on back of G&C work no longer proceeding. It was confirmed the Board are happy with this amendment. 	

	<p>- Leisure & Cultural Quarter LV shared a presentation. Forge Island work has started, completion 2024, all units let including 6 F&B outlets. <u>Riverside Gardens</u> – green public realm. Planning submitted, works out to tender early 2023. <u>Bank buildings & Costa</u> – links to Corporation Street infrastructure. RMBC need to get permission to dispose the former Lloyd’s building. Lot of activity to take place in a constricted area, which will require a lot of planning</p> <p>3-7 Corporation Street (burnt out buildings) MS confirmed negotiating with landowner but running CPO process in tandem. Working on planning, with submission expected soon. Would like to acquire Ring Shop could also stay in situ as don’t want to lose a successful business. Wilko and Mecca both acquired by the Council. Looking at possible uses, but work at a very early stage. Sorting business case for demolition of Wilko. NB said it is good to see visuals, it helps the Board to better understand what is happening .</p> <p>- Templeborough JM updated confirming reached end of RIBA Stage 2. Worked on scope of scheme and potential costs savings/revisions – may lose one industrial unit. About to start RIBA Stage 3 through to Spring 2023 – then hand to contractor to finish technical design and deliver scheme. Site surveys held recently show a number of tunnels that could provide some challenges to foundation design. Have met with Magna to talk through their requirements for office space. 2 other tenants – RMBC assisting Magna with an exit plan for Intend. NB asked if the designs can be shared with the Board for input/comment?</p> <p>- Essoldo Chambers MH gave update, getting picture of condition of building and what we need to do. Full report expected this week. Looking to start negotiations with live music promoters for use of finished building. Discussions with owner are still at a high level but seem positive.</p> <p>- Eastwood/Parkgate Bridge LV introduced GC. GC has come from Turner Townsend, is a senior project manager with over 20 years’ experience of highways, railways and bridges.</p> <p>- Mainline Station MS - have re-established Board and Steering Group meetings. Buy in from all partners include DoT, Network Rail, TfN. Planning team continuing. Had successful visioning workshop on how Station can link to wider area. OBC is going to SYMCA Board in December, if successful will release £1m to progress work. Negotiations ongoing for acquisitions but will now park until OBC is more developed. NB asked are DLUHC engaged and aware that the funding will still be needed? MS confirmed they were and she is in regular contact with JH.</p> <p>- Pocket Park TOC confirmed Council have made the site secure. Materials will be ordered in December. Council teams can start works in April, but are looking for any local contractors who start earlier. The original contractor had issues with the design, we tried to get them to prioritise this work (was a small project for them). Amended designs cost more and we felt that we couldn’t justify these. Decided not to progress with this contractor, cost Council time, but not money.</p>	<p>JM/VN</p>
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	<p>NB said there is an issue with people not knowing what is happening, can we get something out, especially to stop false rumours? Agreed that we need to get comms out but need to be careful on what goes out and how it will be received.</p>	RE/CD/VN
69/22	<p>Spend Profile and Programme</p> <p>SP said he is trying to make the figures more user friendly and will provide VN with something to circulate with minutes.</p> <p>Profiled spend for TC is £16M, £12m of which is TD, rest from LUF. £7.5M of TD figure is for Station acquisitions, which could roll over. Spend to date is £550k. Satnam purchase (£4.1M) is now likely to come through in current year, partly offsetting any slippage in station land spend.</p> <p>NB asked can we review the figures to what we are planning now, rather than sticking to the historic figures in original bid, which are no longer accurate? Adding is there an issue with underspend, if so are DLUHC aware and ok with it? It was confirmed DLUHC are being kept up to date and seem happy with narrative and changes at the moment.</p>	SP/VN
70/22	<p>Town Deal Board Supplementary Guidance – November 2022</p> <p>SL ran through summary of the latest guidance and proposed revisions to the existing Terms of Reference.</p> <p>Any comments to be passed to Simeon, otherwise will assume that they have been approved as presented</p>	
71/22	<p>Comms & Consultation</p> <p>RE gave a presentation on approach to comms for TC regeneration. Adding the focus is on the positive. We don't over promise/under deliver And don't go to soon, as people remember the delays. Currently promoting the "Investing in Rotherham's Future" brand; and the TC comms toolkit.</p> <p>NB asked how do we understand the numbers on views of social media posts etc., and whether they are positive or negative. The figures were explained.</p> <p>RE showed the draft video on the Forge Island groundworks. Link here https://youtu.be/OVMmbiTD93I and confirmed another key milestone the launch of the canal barrier. She outlined promotion on town centre living and explained upcoming milestones on all projects.</p> <p>SM said there is a lot happening and we need to manage a positive narrative.</p>	
72/22	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>There was no further business.</p> <p>NB wished the Board a good Christmas and New Year.</p>	

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