

**ROTHERHAM TOWN DEAL BOARD**  
**Wednesday 15 May 2024**

- 1 NOTES OF A MEETING OF THE ROTHERHAM TOWN BOARD HELD  
ON 15TH MAY, 2024**

## Rotherham Town Deal Board

Magna

15 May 2024, 9:30 – 11:30am

### Attended By:

Steve Morris, Signs Express (Vice-Chair) – StM  
 Deborah Efemini, LTPT – DE  
 Samantha Holgate, LTPT – SH  
 Phil Batchford, Rotherham Minster – PB  
 James Boulton, John Healey's Office – JB  
 David Sutton, Maltby Academy – DS  
 Helen Littlewood, Clifton Learning Partnership – HL  
 Nicolah Jones, AMRC – NJ  
 John Shillito, South Yorkshire Police – JS  
 Jamie Noble, RUFC / RUCT – JN  
 Keith Sanderson, RNN – KS  
 Sarah McLeod, Wentworth Woodhouse – SMC  
 Chris Hamby, Hamby's Properties / Gullivers – CH  
 David Plumtree, VAR – DP  
 Kevin Tomlinson, Magna – KT  
 Nazim Shabir – NS  
 Matthew Stephens, BRCC – MS  
 Carri Sudbury, BRCC – CS  
  
 Andrew Bramidge, RMBC – AB  
 Simon Moss, RMBC – SMO  
 Lorna Vertigan, RIDO RMBC – LV  
 Martin Hughes, RMBC – MHu  
 Andy Boulton, Neighbourhoods, RMBC – ABo  
 Simon Powell, RIDO RMBC – SP  
 Catherine Davis, RIDO RMBC – CD  
 Nicola Glynne-Jones, RIDO RMBC – NGJ  
 Joel Hamer, RIDO RMBC – JoH

### Observer (s):

Alex Clegg, BIES / CLGU - AC  
 Sam Townesnd, BIES / CLGU - ST

### Apologies:

Neil Baxter (Chair) – NB  
 Sarah Champion MP – SC  
 Jacquie Falvey, Sarah Champion's office – JF  
 John Healey MP – JHe  
 Greg Kuczmaida, John Healey's office – GK  
 Ryan Shepherd, SYMCA – RS  
 Tim O'Connell, RIDO RMBC – TOC  
 Ray Kinsella, Great Places – RK  
 David Trevis-Smith, WW – DTS  
 Lisa Pogson, Airmaster – LP  
 Kevin Bradley, South Yorkshire Police – KB  
 Sue Wynne, Rotherham Rise – SW

### Action Points:

- **ALL members to complete declaration of interest forms and return to JoH prior to the next meeting**
- **ALL members to complete the Place Standard Toolkit as circulated by JoH following the meeting**
- **To complete BRCC survey as circulated by JoH following the meeting**

26/24	<p><b>Apologies for Absence, Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality Reminder</b></p> <p>Apologies listed above.</p> <p>Members were reminded of the confidentiality of the information discussed at these meetings.</p> <p><b>All members were asked to fill out declaration of interest forms and return them to JoH prior to the next meeting.</b></p>	All
27/24	<p><b>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting held on 26 March 2024</b></p> <p>The minutes were accepted as a true record, and actions from the previous meeting were accepted as complete.</p>	
28/24	<p><b>Project Updates: Key Issues Only</b></p> <p><b>Wentworth Woodhouse</b></p> <p>SMc stated that the works at Wentworth Woodhouse are progressing well and that the opening of the camellia house has been positive. It was recommended by SMO that people visit.</p> <p>SMc stated that the royal horticultural flower show will be moving to Wentworth Woodhouse in 2025 and will confirm the date of the show.</p> <p><b>Magna</b></p> <p>KT stated that LUF spend is now complete and offered anyone that wished to have a tour to stay following the meeting.</p> <p><b>Maltby Grammar School</b></p> <p>DS stated that contracted works are now complete, and that planning has been given for additional car parking on the site. Post contract works are now underway including implementing IT and moving furniture in.</p> <p>DS commented that there is lots of interest from businesses and schools, and interest from outside of the Rotherham borough which is positive.</p> <p><b>Markets / Library</b></p> <p>LV stated that the main works contract award was made at the end of March 2024 and that works are expected to continue until December 2026.</p>	

	<p><b>Country Parks</b></p> <p>LV commented that the decision has been taken to proceed with the option to do a new build at Rother Valley and a refurbishment of the Thrybergh building. This option does require additional funding to be sought. There were no objections raised to proceeding with this option.</p> <p>Work on options, costing, and programme underway for Thrybergh</p> <p>JB questioned the timeline on Thrybergh, LV commented that it is thought that the timeline can be brought forward given that it is a refurbishment rather than a rebuild.</p> <p>MS questioned the choice of contractor over smaller local contractors. LV stated that the chosen contractor will meet all social value requirements, and that choice of contractor is dependent on the type of procurement that is pursued.</p> <p><b>Eldon Road</b></p> <p>LV stated that the tender exercise has now completed, and contract will be awarded June 2024 with work taking place following summer holidays.</p> <p>JS questioned whether police have been involved in the scheme. NGJ stated that the police have been involved in various meetings as well as discussions about CCTV.</p> <p><b>Snail Yard</b></p> <p>LV stated that the estimated start on site is June 2024 with communication with businesses commencing at the end of May.</p>	
<p>29/24</p>	<p><b>Long Term Plan for Towns</b></p> <p>SH and DE presented on the Long Term Plan for Towns. It was stated that this work needs to be about actual rather than perceived needs and that is why community involvement is so highly valued.</p> <p><b>Members were asked to complete the Place Standard Toolkit to assess Rotherham as it is now.</b></p> <p>Members were split into three groups to explore ‘Safety &amp; Security’, ‘High Streets, Heritage &amp; Regeneration’, and ‘Transport &amp; Connectivity’. Groups explored what the objectives would be and what success would look like for Rotherham.</p> <p>Members were also asked to comment on the 250-word vision statement proposed by SH and DE. Various feedback was received and will be used to alter the vision statement.</p>	<p>All</p>

	MS questioned whether there is a need for additional expertise to ensure communications are sufficient for the scale of works.	
<b>30/24</b>	<b>AOB</b> <b>CS asked if members could complete the BRCC survey, and requested that JoH circulate this following the meeting.</b>	<b>All / JoH</b>
	<b>Date of next meeting: 19th June 2024 via Microsoft Teams</b>	