

Economic Development and Regeneration Advisory Board

Tuesday, 25th October 2016 at 10.00 am

Meeting to be held in a Committee Room, County Hall, Durham, DH1 5UQ

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AGENDA

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1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**

Please remember to declare any personal interest where appropriate both verbally and by recording it on the relevant form (to be handed to the Democratic Services Officer). Please also remember to leave the meeting where any personal interest requires this.
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For approval as a correct record.
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For approval as a correct record.
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9. **Date and Time of the Next Meeting**

Tuesday, 3 January 2017 at 10am at the Civic Centre, Newcastle upon Tyne.

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To All Members

North East Combined Authority

Economic Development and Regeneration Advisory Board

26 July 2016

Meeting held: Sunderland Software Centre, Tavistock Place, Sunderland, SR1 1PB

Present:

Councillor: I Malcolm (Chair)

Councillors: G Bell (part of meeting), N Foster (part of meeting), G Haley, I Lindley and B Pickard

(The meeting started as inquorate).

30 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors A Hepple and P Watson.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS

It was noted that on 19 July 2016 the Leadership Board had appointed Councillor I Malcom as Chair of the Economic Development and Regeneration Advisory Board.

Councillor I Malcolm opened the meeting and advised Members that nominations for Vice-Chair should be e-mailed to the office of Councillor Paul Watson and these would be submitted for formal approval.

31 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

32 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 31 March 2016 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

33 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND REGENERATION - PROGRESS UPDATE

Submitted: A report of the Economic Development and Regeneration Thematic Lead (previously circulated and copy attached to Official Minutes).

Members considered the report which provided an update on progress of key areas within the Economic Development and Regeneration theme.

(At this point the meeting became quorate.)

In discussion:

- A Member asked whether information, including figures, could be provided on re-investment. A Member also commented on the importance of prioritising support for companies that re-invested and working to ensure that any opportunities were maximised.
- A Member asked whether information could be provided on investments that had been withdrawn. This information would be sought and provided to a future meeting

RESOLVED – That the report and actions agreed be noted.

34 **DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, 25 October 2016 at 10am, Committee Room, Durham County Hall.

Economic Development and Regeneration Advisory Board

31 March 2016

Meeting held: Committee Room, Civic Centre, Regent Street, Gateshead, NE8 1HH

Present:

Councillor: P Watson

Councillors: N Foster, M Foy, A Hepple, I Malcolm, J McCarty and B Pickard

Co-opted Members: G Hall, S Hanson and J Walker

24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Co-opted Members B Farhat and S Glendinning.

25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

26 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18 December 2015 subject to the inclusion of Councillor L Twist into the list of Members Present were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

(a) Inward Investment

Inward investment – Development of NECA Investment Gateway Function

(Minute 20 (a) refers)

The Chair reiterated that it was important to have a full understanding of the behaviour of potential investors in order to develop effective investment offers.

27 PERSPECTIVES ON INWARD INVESTMENT

Submitted: A report of the Thematic Lead for Economic Development and Regeneration (previously circulated and copy attached to Official Minutes).

Members considered the report which provided an introduction to the presentations of the UK Trade and Investment (UKTI) and the private sector on their insights and perspectives, as provided by the following representatives:

- Ms D Rawls, the Head of Local Engagement, UKTI;
- Ms T Baqir, the Partnership Manager of the Local Investment Team, UKTI;

- Mr A Serfontein, the Managing Director of Hanro Group and the Chair of Developing Consensus Group; and
- Mr M Brannen, the Head of Site of the Fusion Contact Centre Services.

(i) UKTI

The presentation of Ms D Rawls and Ms T Baqir of UKTI focused on the UKTI aims, structure, teams and partnership working.

The ensuing discussion included the following matters:

- The need for understanding how the North East could work more closely with UKTI;
- The importance of understanding competition between regions and have a clear understanding of the strengths and opportunities of the North East within that context. These strengths and opportunities should be articulated and promoted, including with support from UKTI, to enable the region to compete better with other regions. The Advisory Board felt there were opportunities for UKTI to develop this area of work further;
- The strengths of the region in the context of the success per capita, the quality of jobs and the value of the offer, which sometimes exceeded other areas of the country;
- The need for a clear understanding of how the region could be supported, including by a dedicated, local UKTI team. And the importance of the North East being offered a fair share of key investment opportunities;
- The importance of involving representatives of local authorities into the UKTI programmes, including, for example, Trade Missions;
- The structure of UKTI and the virtual working approach which combined drawing on the expertise of and collaboration with various UKTI teams across the county;
- The need for information from UKTI on successful examples concerning the North East, including case studies on the work of UKTI to encourage investment in the North East, and also in the context of working to achieve the government's targets;
- The work of UKTI with investors to promote the understanding of opportunities across the whole of the UK.
- The understanding that UKTI promoted sectors rather than areas; and also the understanding of the role of the Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEP) in this context;
- The importance of creating high quality, high skilled jobs in the region;
- The importance of retaining students;

- The impact of the position of the steel industry on the future of the region;
- The importance of an effective infrastructure to support investment into the region;
- The Northern Powerhouse ambitions;
- The role of grants in helping to attract investors;
- The importance of quantifiable evidence to demonstrate jobs growth in the region; and
- Communication mechanisms, including communication between UKTI, regional directors and LEPs; and the need for better communication between these stakeholders, including information sharing on projects, programmes and opportunities.

Members felt there was a need for a workshop on working closer with UKTI, including improving communication and information sharing.

(ii) Private Sector

(a) The Managing Director of Hanro Group and Chair of Developing Consensus Group

Mr A Serfontein, the Managing Director of Hanro Group and Chair of Developing Consensus Group, addressed the Advisory Board focusing on the following matters:

- The aims, nature and structure of the Developing Consensus Group;
- The all-inclusive nature of the strengths of the region and the importance of their promotion;
- The importance of developing an offer that would make it impossible for investors not to come to the region;
- The good progress achieved by the Regional Investment Team and the high volume of work that was still required;
- The need for effective resourcing of the regional investment support function as well as the need for a long-term commitment in this respect;
- The advantages of creating an attractive and united front operated by a united team for the region and segregating sectors and roles at the point of entry;
- The importance of devolution;
- The need for a more joint work between local authorities in the region; and

- The need for a better collaboration between public and private sectors.

The ensuing discussion included the following matters:

- The role of the Combined Authority in providing the platform for joint working in the region and its responsibility for economic development;
- The importance of collaborative working and a true partnership approach between private and public sectors and progress that was being made in this area of work;
- The importance of working to encourage private sector to support public services;
- The different nature of the aims of the public and private sectors, including the role of the public sector in providing more opportunities for all and supporting the vulnerable;
- The long history of the region of working jointly and the natural competition between areas within the region;
- The timescales involved in developing a devolution deal for the region, the risks involved and the importance of an effective input from the private sector into this work; and
- The importance of appreciating that the region competed in the global market, the importance of understating this environment and developing advanced actions to secure the best opportunities for the region.

Following the discussion, the Chair commented on the importance of inviting business representatives to future meetings to provide their insight and perspective.

(b) The Head of Site of the Fusion Contact Centre Services

Mr M Brannen, the Head of Site of the Fusion Contact Centre Services addressed the Advisory Board. He explained that, due to the nature of the service provided, a significant proportion of costs was staffing costs. He outlined the success of the Sunderland branch which had grown and was now employing approximately 600 people. The success was due to the following factors:

- The cost, quality, loyalty and dedication of staff;
- The good work ethics. People in the North East cared about jobs and about doing a job well, which resulted in high performance, high customer satisfaction and stability for the company in terms of employee turnover and training costs;
- The support from the local council, including logistics, local knowledge and advice; and
- The company's approach in offering a career rather than just a job and providing a caring, supportive environment.

Mr M Brannen also spoke about the changing nature of contact centre work. There was evidence of a shift away from telephone call answering to Internet-based systems. A range of corporate customers of the contact centre saw telephone responses as an unnecessary cost that should be avoided. This was influencing the

business to reconsider how services were provided and to support staff in making the transition to on-line support and away from call handling.

A discussion then took place about the skills gap and the challenge of attracting employees with right qualifications and skills. The Advisory Board discussed possible interventions such as social campaigns to attract people with the right skills into the area and providing businesses with links to connect them with the right workforce.

The Chair thanked the Managing Director and invited an update to a future meeting.

RESOLVED – That the presentations given by the representatives of UKTI and the private sector on further insight into processes, perspectives and experiences relating to investing in the North East be noted.

28 **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND REGENERATION - PROGRESS UPDATE**

Submitted: A report of the Thematic Lead for Economic Development and Regeneration (previously circulated and copy attached to Official Minutes).

Members considered the report which provided a progress update for the key areas within the Economic Development and Regeneration Thematic Lead Area.

RESOLVED – That the progress update be noted.

29 **DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Members noted that dates of future meetings were currently being drafted for the submission to the annual meeting of the Combined Authority for approval. The provisional date of the next meeting of the Advisory Board was Tuesday, 26 July 2016.

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DATE: 25 October 2016

SUBJECT: Appointment of Vice-Chair for the Municipal Year 2016/17

REPORT OF: Monitoring Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to invite the Advisory Board to appoint its Vice-Chair for the current municipal year 2016/17.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Advisory Board appoints its Vice-Chair for the current municipal year 2016/17.

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1 Background Information

- 1.1 At the Annual Meeting on 21 June 2016, the Leadership Board endorsed the approach that the Chair of the Economic Development and Regeneration Advisory Board would be the Thematic Lead for the Economic Development and Regeneration, and on 19 July 2016 Councillor Iain Malcom undertook that role. The Leadership Board also agreed that the appointment of Vice-Chair should be delegated to the Advisory Board.

2 Proposals

- 2.1 The Board is invited to appoint its Vice-Chair for the current municipal year.

3 Next Steps

- 3.1 The appointment, once made, will enable the Vice-Chair to undertake the role.

4 Potential Impact on Objectives

- 4.1 The appointment will enable the Authority to properly discharge its functions.

5 Finance and Other Resources

- 5.1 There are no specific financial implications arising from these recommendations.

6 Legal

- 6.1 Provision is made for the appointment of Vice-Chairs within the Combined Authority's Constitution.

7 Other Considerations

7.1 Consultation/Community Engagement

The proposals contained within the report have been subject to consideration by the Leadership Board.

7.2 Human Rights

There are no specific human rights implications arising from this report.

7.3 Equalities and Diversity

There are no specific equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

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7.4 Risk Management

There are no specific risk management implications arising from this report.

7.5 Crime and Disorder

There are no specific crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

7.6 Environment and Sustainability

There are no specific environment and sustainability implications arising from this report.

8 Background Documents

- 8.1 The Constitution of the North East Combined Authority
The minutes of the Leadership Board held on 21 June 2016
The minutes of the Leadership Board held on 19 July 2016

9 Links to the Local Transport Plans

- 9.1 This report has no direct links to the Local Transport Plans.

10 Appendices

None.

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12 Sign off

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- Monitoring Officer ✓
- Chief Finance Officer ✓

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Economic Development and Regeneration Advisory Board

DATE: 25 October 2016

SUBJECT: Economic Development and Regeneration – Progress Update

REPORT OF: Economic Development and Regeneration Thematic Lead

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with a progress update for the key areas within the Economic Development and Regeneration theme.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Advisory Board is requested to receive progress updates and provide views on the development of the regional Inward Investment function and Regional Investment Plan.

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1 Executive Summary

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Members with a progress update for the key areas within the Economic Development and Regeneration theme.

1.2 The Advisory Board is requested to receive progress updates and provide views on the development of the regional Inward Investment function and Regional Investment Plan.

2.0 Inward Investment

2.1 Inward Investment 2016/17 (Quarter 1) Successes

In Quarter 1 (April-June), in total there were 16 inward investments into the NECA area which will lead to the creation of 2,435 jobs. These were made up of :

a) Foreign Direct Investment

There were ten investments leading to the creation of 880 new jobs. Investors included:

- Teleperformance (Call centre outsourcer)
- Accenture (Software ICT)
- Janus international (Manufacturing)
- Unipress (Automotive)

b) Investments by UK-owned Companies from Outside of the Region

There were six investments leading to the creation of 1,555 jobs. Companies announcing investments included:

- ResQ (Contact Centre)
- Estover Energy (Energy)
- Fermeda (Life Sciences)

Successes in Quarter 2 (July-September) are currently being compiled. One major success confirmed in this quarter is Convergys who have taken occupation of 'the Rocket' in Newcastle's Stephenson Quarter, creating 600 jobs.

2.2 Enquiries

There continues to be significantly fewer enquiries coming through to the Invest North East England (INEE) Team than last year. This is mainly down

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to fewer enquiries from UKTI (INEE are the single point of contact for new enquiries from UKTI in the NECA area). The impact of Brexit is one possible cause of this. INEE is working closely with UKTI to gain a better understanding of what is happening and to ensure that enquiry levels recover in the second half of 2016/17.

Current enquiries on the INEE pipeline include both UK and foreign owned enquiries in a number of sectors from Life sciences (R+D), software, contact centres, and advanced manufacturing.

2.3 Invest North East England Website

One way in which the INEE team is planning to increase the size and quality of its investment enquiry pipeline is by becoming a proactive service, actively generating new investment enquiries. A key element of this new approach is the launch of the new INEE website, scheduled for week commencing 17th October 2016.

In parallel with the website launch there will be an associated social media campaign, aimed at generating enquiries from key sectors. New investment leads are also to be sourced through lead generation contracts in key markets. In the first instance UK and overseas companies based in London will be targeted.

2.4 MIPIIM UK

INEE is to have a coordinated stand presence at the UK's largest property investment event, MIPIIM UK, which is being held in London from 19-21 October. Six private sector partner sponsors will also be attending from the North East along with representatives from NECA's constituent local authorities. As part of the event, there will be a business showcase event held with a private/public sector panel discussing key recent property deals and new opportunities available to investors in North East England.

2.5 Economic Development and Regeneration Inward Investment Workshop – 26 July 2016

Building on the discussion and presentations at the EDRAB meeting in March and a 'UKTI Summit' on the development of the Northern Powerhouse in April, an Inward Investment Workshop took place on 26th July 2016.

Alongside EDRAB members (supported by economic development officers from each local authority), UKTI and private sector representatives took part in the workshop.

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A debate took place on the future of Inward Investment services and activity in the NECA area. Presentations were received from UKTI and Pricewaterhouse Coopers, property development sector representatives and the Director of Invest North East England.

The Deputy Director of Global Operations for UKTI updated the group on the changes to UKTI including the new dedicated, north-focused team. It was stressed that 'co-delivery' with partners is key in the climate of limited resources. PWC had been commissioned by UKTI to undertake work on the development of the Northern Powerhouse and it was outlined that this would involve an online survey to gather factual evidence over the summer to understand where opportunities exist, followed up with face to face interviews with key stakeholders. The report is expected by the end of the year.

Adam Serfontein, the Managing Director of Hanro Group and Chair of Developing Consensus, along with other private sector colleagues (Tim Evans from Knight Frank and Michelle Percy from Clouston Group), provided perspectives on investing in the North East. They identified some of the experiences of investors and the private/property sector. Discussion focused on the need to promote the region coherently 'at the point of entry' and to better understand the benefits to all of each single investment. A call was made for more resource into the Invest North East team and an offer was made for the private sector to input funding to grow the team if matched by local authority funding.

The workshop concluded with a presentation from the Director of Invest North East England focusing on the issues in attracting investment to the North East, specifically the organisation of local capacity and resources. The group discussed how best to target these.

The Director of INEE is preparing an options paper that will outline a range of delivery models that will include how the private sector can engage more and the future resource implications

3.0 Regional Investment Plan / Project Pipeline

The Economic Development and Regeneration theme has the lead responsibility for coordinating efforts to enhance the region's important economic assets and to develop new ones that will promote growth.

As updated in previous reports to the Board, a pipeline of both employment sites and housing sites has been developed to underpin this approach. The sites identified illustrate a brief overview, type of investment, planned output/outcomes, whether or not public investment is required, delivery

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timescales, planning status and barriers to development. This pipeline informed the North East Local Enterprise Partnerships (NELEP) submission to round 3 of the Local Growth Fund.

The NELEP has advised that the programme bid submitted has been considered by civil servants and assessed alongside the other LEP bids. There are many positive factors that the NELEP should stress at every opportunity with Government ahead of the autumn statement. NECA needs to emphasise the qualities and relevance of our project pipeline and investment plans:

- Our strong evidence base
- Inclusive approach and good level of partnership working and collaboration
- Relatively good delivery performance to date on Growth Deal 1 and 2.

However, given that the North East devolution deal is not progressing at this time, the Government have advised that the North East can no longer have a Local Growth Deal 3 programme with devolved funding. Instead the North East LEP must submit a prioritised list of projects for consideration by Government by the end of October..

4.0 Potential Impact on Objectives

The information contained in this report and any views put forward by the Advisory Board, will support the NECA in meeting its objectives.

5.0 Finance and Other Resources

There are no specific resource implications arising from this item.

6.0 Legal

There are no specific legal implications arising from this item.

7.0 Other Considerations

7.1 Consultation/Community Engagement

There are no issues arising from this item for consultation.

7.2 Human Rights

There are no specific human rights implications arising from this item.

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7.3 Equalities and Diversity

There are no specific equalities and diversity implications arising from this item.

7.4 Risk Management

There are no specific risk implications arising from this item.

7.5 Crime and Disorder

There are no specific crime and disorder implications arising from this item.

7.6 Environment and Sustainability

There are no specific environment and sustainability implications arising from this item.

8.0 Background Documents

North East Strategic Economic Plan – More and Better Jobs

9.0 Links to Plans in the Policy Framework

This item links to the Strategic Economic Plan and other plans in the Policy Framework.

10.0 Appendices

There are no appendices

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12.0 Sign off

Head of Paid Service ✓

Monitoring Officer ✓

Chief Finance Officer ✓

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DATE: 25 October 2016

SUBJECT: Refresh of the North East Strategic Economic Plan and Local Growth Fund 3 Update

REPORT OF: Economic Development and Regeneration Thematic Lead

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with a progress update on the refresh of the North East Strategic Economic Plan and Local Growth Fund 3.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Advisory Board is requested to receive the progress update.

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1.0 Executive Summary

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Members with a progress update on the refresh of the North East Strategic Economic Plan and Local Growth Fund 3.

1.2 The Advisory Board is requested to receive progress updates and provide views on the refresh of Strategic Economic Plan for the North East and Local Growth Fund 3.

2.0 North East Strategic Economic Plan

2.1 Background

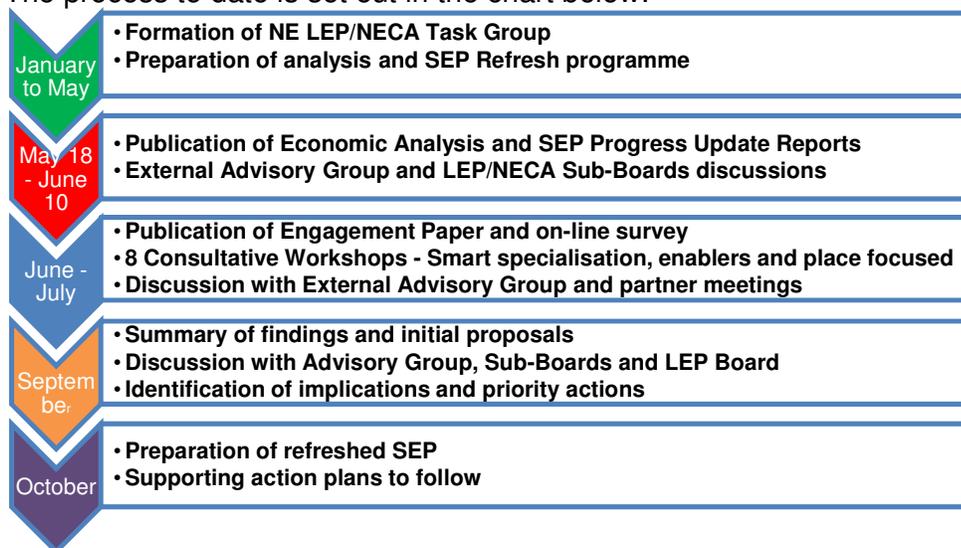
The North East LEP and NECA agreed to a refresh of the SEP to respond to

- National and regional economic performance and issues
- Progress, and experience of delivery plan
- Changing policy environment since the Election
 - National and European policy changes
 - Devolution
 - The North

The aim has been to produce a new, forward looking document on a timetable aligned with agreement of the devolution deal, with strong continuity from the leading ambitions of the Adonis Review and the 2014 SEP, but which updates and communicates clearly to the above developments.

Process

The process to date is set out in the chart below:



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Engagement

As per the timeline, engagement has been phased and includes:

- Discussion of the economic analysis and progress review with the Task Group, Advisory Group and sub-Boards to identify key issues and questions
- Stakeholder engagement through different channels
- Feedback of emerging comments and findings to the Task Group, Advisory Group and sub-Boards

A summary of deliverables through the process includes:

- 3 Documents published
(See - <http://www.nelep.co.uk/whatwedo/refreshing-the-strategic-economic-plan/>)
- 8 high level Engagement events focused on future approaches to four smart specialisation areas, 3 key enablers and on an agenda around 'place'
- Regular meetings of the Task Group
- 2 Advisory Groups to date
- Range of partner meetings
 - eg EEF, TUC, Culture Partnership, Durham Economic Partnership
- 2 rounds of engagement with LEP Sub-Boards, NECA Planning Leads, Employability Leads
- Discussion with Transport Team
- Range of written responses
- 40 on-line survey responses

Feedback

Feedback from the engagement process has provided a significant steer in a number of areas:

- Smart specialisation areas and key enablers:
 - Future market trends impacting on these key areas of the North East economy
 - The position of the North East in these markets
 - Must do's to support business growth in these areas
 - Longer term visions
- Place
 - Input about priorities for place development linked to innovation, infrastructure, transport, and wider planning issues

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- Structure and role of the SEP and general programme actions in areas including economic evidence and communications

A slide pack is available which summarises this input.

Structure of the SEP going forward

Having received this input, the Task Group have proposed that the refreshed SEP document should be positioned as a shorter document which communicates clearly about the North East economy and ambitions, and seeks to differentiate and connect to opportunities in the context of Industrial Strategy. It should be supported by, and linked to, other key documents and process in the region.

The overall structure is envisaged as including the following:

- Chair/leaders introduction and positioning statement
- Background statement – history, SEP 2014 ambitions, Refresh rationale
- Short summary of 2014 progress emphasising delivery
- Summary of economic analysis leading to key directions
- Spatial narrative – emphasising assets, linkages and economic change, supported by mapping
- Key differentiating sections - focused around key opportunity areas, enablers and place including NE capability narrative and proposed group of interventions – build on LGF bid approach
- Programme delivery sections – with priorities for the 6 programmes showing continuity from 2014 SEP, additional priorities and links to other processes eg Transport Strategy, ABR, Duty to co-operate
- Evaluation plan
- Accountability, roles and communications

3.0 Local Growth Fund 3

- 3.1 The North East LEP was invited to submit a bid for LGF3 funding which was submitted in July 2016. The North East submitted a strong evidenced programme level bid with a list of illustrative projects. It was envisaged at the time that the North East would be allocated funded to a local North East growth programme, and the decision making around which projects would be funding would be devolved to NECA. As a consequence of not progressing with devolution at this time, the North East LEP must now submit a smaller list of prioritised projects to Government by the end of October. Government will determine which projects are funded (subject to full business case and due diligence thereafter) and allocate resources accordingly.

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3.2 The North East LEP and NECA have carried out a technical exercise to identify priority projects which are best placed to deliver the outcomes of the Strategic Economic Plan. The key criteria used is:

- Strategic fit –with the SEP
- Strategic fit – with current Government priorities.
- Value for money – including cost per job
- Direct private sector match
- Direct public sector match
- Follow on private sector investment
- Risks to deliverability of LGF spend within the funding period
- Deliverability of outcomes by 2024
- Strategic added value

3.3 The Government is due to announce the local growth fund 3 awards in the autumn statement on 23 November.

4.0 Potential Impact on Objectives

4.1 The information provided and any views put forward by the Advisory Board, will support the NECA in meeting its objectives.

5.0 Finance and Other Resources

5.1 The resource implications of the local growth fund bid outcome will be known once the autumn statement has been announced and will be then be reported to the LEP Board and NECA Leadership Board.

6.0 Legal

6.1 There are no specific legal implications arising from this item.

7.0 Other Considerations

7.1 Consultation/Community Engagement

There are no issues arising from this item for consultation.

7.2 Human Rights

There are no specific human rights implications arising from this item.

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7.3 Equalities and Diversity

There are no specific equalities and diversity implications arising from this item.

7.4 Risk Management

There are no specific risk implications arising from this item.

7.5 Crime and Disorder

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7.6 Environment and Sustainability

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8.0 Background Documents

8.1 North East Strategic Economic Plan – More and Better Jobs

9.0 Links to Plans in the Policy Framework

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10.0 Appendices

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DATE: 25 October 2016

SUBJECT: Future Topics for Deep-Dives

REPORT OF: Economic Development and Regeneration Thematic Lead

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to facilitate a discussion with Members regarding Deep-Dive topics for future meetings of the Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Advisory Board is requested to provide views and suggestions for Deep-Dive topics to be discussed at future meetings of the Board.

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1.0 Executive Summary

1.1 The purpose of this report is to facilitate a discussion with Members regarding Deep-Dive topics for future meetings of the Board.

1.2 The Advisory Board is requested to provide views and suggestions for Deep-Dive topics to be discussed at future meetings of the Board.

2.0 Future Deep-Dive Topics

2.1 Views and suggestions are requested from Members for suitable topics for in-depth discussion at future meetings of the Economic Development and Regeneration and Advisory Board.

3.0 Potential Impact on Objectives

3.1 The information provided and any views put forward by the Advisory Board, will support the NECA in meeting its objectives.

4.0 Finance and Other Resources

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