

ACTION LOG

Meeting

NEWCASTLE TOWN DEAL BOARD

Date

Thursday 12 August 2021
(Start Time: 3.00pm – Finish Time: 4.15pm)

Attendees: Trevor McMillan, Cllr Stephen Sweeney, Simon McEneny, Elaine Burgess, Mark Laywood, Richard Corfe, Stefan Brzozowski, Aaron Bell MP, Gail Edwards, Phil Butters, Dan Gray, Fiona Wallace, Carl Copestake, Jane Tunniff, Rob Lawley, Cllr Graham Bibby, Beverly Sampey, Jo Reilly, Henryk Adamczuk, Jack Stevens, Alex Taylor

Minutes: Jeanette Ayres

Distribution: Attendees & Apologies

Apologies: Cllr Philip White, Thea Fern, Lisa Healings, Craig Hodgson, Richard Moore, Oliver Boote, Eddie Legildowczk

REF.	ISSUE	ACTION	RESP.	DATE DUE	COMPL.
1.	Welcome & Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All were welcomed to the meeting 				
2.	Declaration of Interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that a number of people had interests in projects to be delivered. 				
3.	Action Log from 24 June 2021 (accuracy and matters arising) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed 				

4.	<p>Update on Formation of Sub-Groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub-Groups have now been set up on a monthly basis. Funding Allocation – funding was reduced from £25M to £23.6M and the Sub-Groups have discussed proposals to reduce the funding for their Project by 10%. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sub-Groups still believe that the Projects can be delivered and there have been no formal objections to their Project taking a 10% reduction. However as this discussion progressed during the meeting there was a further proposal in so far that it would be a reasonable ask for all Projects to assume some level of reduced funding. 			
5.	<p>Update on TIP Submission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The following Annex A documents have been prepared for each Project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Chesterton – original funding request was £3.265M: Aspire are currently in dialogue with Homes England to try to secure some grant funding. Phase 1 has full planning permission with outline planning permission for the rest of the phases. ➤ Digital Society Centre – original funding request was £4M: Currently awaiting the outcome of the potential relocation of Knutton Lane Depot to see if that site would be available or whether alternative sites need to be looked at. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was agreed that each Project would be looked at to see where the reductions could be made as some Projects could potentially be reduced more than others and still be able to deliver. Informal feedback had been received that the DSC was the project where a larger funding cut might be appropriate. 	TMc/ CllrSS	19.08.21	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Electric Vehicle Charging Points – original funding request was £440K. ➤ Key Gateway Sites – original funding request was £4.1M This is for the former Zanzibar site and Midway car park, a new car park will be built as part of the Future High Street Fund Project. ➤ Knutton – original funding request was £3.9M A masterplan is being developed and the scheme is ready for the pre-application planning process. ➤ Smart Digital Infrastructure – original funding request was £2.5M This will look at supply and demand around the town centre and a mapping exercise/gap analysis is currently being undertaken. ➤ Sustainable Public Transport – original funding request was £3.78M This is looking to improve accessibility to public transport. ➤ Astley Centre – original funding request was £2M The Arts Council has been approached for match funding. Sites are being looked at and 3 potential buildings have been identified for site visits. ➤ Pedestrian Cycle – original funding request was £1M This is looking at creating better access around the Borough. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern was raised about the possible reintroduction of the railway in Silverdale and Mark will raise this with the Sub-Group to see how likely this is to go ahead as the current site is heavily used by walkers and cyclists. 	ML	01.09.21	
--	---	--	----	----------	--

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Monitoring and Evaluation document and a Finance Profile document have also been prepared for all the Projects. 				
6.	Any Other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Deadline for the submission to MHCLG is 20 August 2021. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was agreed that Trevor and Stephen would review and agree the reallocation across all Projects to ensure that the new figures can be populated in the Annex A, the Monitoring and Evaluation and Financial Profile documents to be submitted to MHCLG in time for the deadline date of 20 August 2021. POST-MEETING NOTE: A financial profile was agreed subsequent to the meeting that reduced the DCS by 10% and all other projects by 4.6%, recognizing the Board's wish that all projects go ahead and the discussions at sub-group level about the scale of cuts that would maintain viable projects. 	TMc/ CllrSS	19.08.21	
7.	Date of Next Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 15 September 2021 @ 9.00am 	Microsoft Teams	All	15.09.21	