

Meeting **JOINT COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT**

Date **12 MARCH 2010** Agenda item number

From **JOINT OFFICER STEERING GROUP**

GREATER NOTTINGHAM JOINT PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE

1. Summary

The Greater Nottingham Joint Planning Advisory Board (JPAB) oversees the preparation of aligned Core Strategies across Greater Nottingham, and the implementation of the New Growth Point infrastructure projects. The minutes of its meeting held on the 5 November 2009 are attached as Appendix 1.

2. Background

The minutes of the JPAB meeting of 5th November were not available in time to accompany the 18 December 2009 papers, and are attached. A further meeting of JPAB was held on 16 December 2009, specifically to comment on the next draft for consultation of the Aligned Core Strategies. JPAB agreed a range of comments, and noted that all the partner councils would be considering the document through their executive arrangements. The minutes of this meeting have not yet been agreed.

3. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Committee note the minutes of the meeting of the JPAB on 5 November 2009.

4. Background Papers referred to in compiling this report

Greater Nottingham Joint Planning Advisory Board papers 5 November 2009 and 18 December 2009.

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APPENDIX 1

**ITEM 2. MINUTES OF THE GREATER NOTTINGHAM JOINT
PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON 10 SEPTEMBER
2009 AT BROXTOWE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**Greater Nottingham Joint Planning Advisory Board
16 December 2009**

**MINUTES OF THE GREATER NOTTINGHAM JOINT PLANNING
ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON 5 NOVEMBER 2009 AT ATTENBOROUGH
VISITOR CENTRE**

PRESENT

Broxtowe: Councillor M Rich (Chair);
Erewash: Councillor J Hulls, Councillor G Smith;
Gedling: Councillor J Boot;
Nottingham City: Councillor A Clark;
Rushcliffe: Councillor D Bell

Officers in Attendance

Ashfield: Mr F Horsley;
Broxtowe: Mr Steve Dance, Mrs R Hyde;
Derbyshire: Ms C Massey;
Erewash: Mr Adam Reddish;
Gedling: Ms J Gray;
Growth Point: Ms Dawn Alvey, Mr Matt Gregory;
Nottingham City: Mr Grant Butterworth;
Nottinghamshire County: Mr S Calvert;
Rushcliffe: Mr Richard Mapletoft, Mr Paul Randle;
6C's Partnership: Mr Derek Doran

Observers

EMDA: Mr Adrian Jones;
Environment Agency: Ms Naomi Wing;
HCA: Mr M Banister;
Nottingham Regeneration Ltd: Mr Mike Taylor
Nottinghamshire County: Ms Alison Brock;

Apologies:

Ashfield: Councillor J Knight;
Broxtowe: Councillor K Rigby;
Derbyshire: Mr Mike Brittain;
EMDA: Mr Geoff Brown

Environment Agency: Mr James Lidgett, Ms Penny Thorpe;
Erewash: Councillor G Smith;
Gedling: Mr Peter Baguley, Councillor C Pepper;
Nottingham City: Councillor J Urquhart;
Nottinghamshire County: Councillor Richard Butler, Councillor Richard Jackson

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

Cllr Rich (Broxtowe) gave apologies from Cllr Rigby and chaired the meeting with the agreement of the Board.

2. **Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of meeting held on 10 September were agreed.

3. **Member Feedback on Issues and Options Consultation**

Members were asked to comment on the following three discussion items. Steve Calvert (County) collated the responses as follows:

(1) **HOW CAN WE IMPROVE ON THE ENGAGEMENT AND CONSULTATION WE UNDERTOOK AT THE ISSUES AND OPTIONS STAGE?**

Simplify website/language/form jointly funded press campaigns
Need more time to consult/more workshops
Focus on issues of real concern to people
More focus on climate change
Engage schools/young people/community forums/parish councillors

(2) **HOW CAN WE BETTER ENGAGE WITH COUNCILLORS WHO ARE INVOLVED IN LDF PREPARATION BUT ARE NOT ON THE JOINT PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD?**

Set out importance of process/links to other strategies
Appoint Ambassadors within own authority
Produce newsletters/presentations
Invite observers
Provide training sessions

(3) **WHAT ROLE WOULD YOU AS A JPAB MEMBER LIKE TO TAKE IN THE PREFERRED OPTION CONSULTATION?**

Open debate on issues
Engage adjacent LAs
Clarity on relationship between roles of JPAB and Joint Strategic Transport Committee
More scrutiny across all party approach within each authority

4. **Aligned Core Strategies Update**

Matt Gregory (Growth Point) reported progress on developing the Preferred Options report around 12 strategic objectives. Consultation identified that more work was required to develop the strategy around culture and the historic environment.

A more complete draft will be reported to the next Board for comment with a final version for consultation available by the end of January 2010. A number of comments were made on the draft content

1. Item 2.4.3 – Language too ‘development control’ in style. Need to ensure we can deliver by 2026.
2. Item 2.4.6 - Only mentions changes in housing need for council estates need to include references to improve existing housing in general.
3. Item 2.4.5 - Ilkeston and Hucknall are specifically highlighted in the draft and any RSS redraft is likely to recognise their role as sub regional centres.
4. Item 2.4.4 – Needs to include other towns and villages including District Centres.
5. Item 2.4.8 - There are also public transport network improvements to the A453.

It was agreed to note the proposed form and content of the Preferred Option, and to comment in due course on the Draft Vision and Strategic Objectives.

5. **Programme of Development**

- 5.1 DA advised that grant claims were ongoing. There will be a full update at the next meeting. LCC is reviewing its audit requirements, a Nottingham City Council audit is planned for mid November.
- 5.2 Comments from Mark Banister (HCA) supported approach to reserve funding to 2010/11 for strategic priorities and preferred options.
- 5.3 SQ’s announcement to support joint working by offering £50k revenue has been confirmed by CLG. This gives the possibility to review potential projects listed in the report and to improve responses with approval by Growth Point Planning Manager and the Executive Steering Group.
- 5.4 Reduction in capital funding for 2010/11 would be across all Growth Areas. CLG proposed three options as to how the reductions could be apportioned. Option 2 was the preferred

option as there would be some risks and potentially further reductions with the other options.

It was agreed that the Board would endorse Option 2.

- 5.5 Growth Team are still awaiting confirmation of the final year's capital and revenue budget – likely decision in December.
- 5.6 The draft Strategic GI Action Plan is a key reference document to appraise funding bids which are required by 4th December 2009. A reminder will be sent to officers of the Executive Steering Group to submit their Expressions of Interest by the deadline. HMA priorities have been amend to include bids relating to deprived communities.
- 5.7 The Locations for Growth Study has now commenced and consultants appointed.
- 5.8 Cllr Smith (Erewash) queried how the 'critical friend' was chosen for the review of the evidence base for the Core Strategy. MG advised that she has been a Planning Inspector although currently working for a leading consultant in the country. Richard Mapletoft (Rushcliffe) also confirmed consultants professional standing.

It was agreed

- (a) to note the update on 2008/9 and 2009/10 capital and revenue funding;**
- (b) to note the response from the Homes and Communities Agency regarding the 2009/10 Programme of Development;**
- (c) to note the update on Strategic Green Infrastructure;**
- (d) to endorse and note the decision of the Growth Point Planning Manager in consultation with the Chair to commission the Sustainable Locations for Growth Study.**
- (e) to endorse the proposals for Joint Working funded via CLG;**
- (f) to endorse Option 2 for the proposed response to the CLG consultation regarding reductions in capital funding for 2010/11.**

6. Presentation - The "Single Conversation"

DA presented an overview of the "Single Conversation" to the Board, giving a review of progress since the previous Board meeting. The Local Investment Plan will be the main document – drawing on existing plans and strategies. Consultants "Shared Intelligence" are reviewing existing strategies and assisting councils to prepare information on strategic priorities. The Local Investment Plan will be undertaken at

HMA level with a number of Local Investment Agreements prepared setting out details of funding to each council.

The Joint Board may become an important route to endorsing/reporting the Single Conversation due to its HMA representation although officers will need to ensure housing colleagues are fully engaged in the process.

DA requested that each council feed their priorities into the Single Conversation process. Further updates will be brought to the Board.

7. Any Other Business

7.1 RH (Broxtowe) asked what was the difference between Sub Regional Investment Plans (SRIP) and Local Investment Plans. DA responded that she believed they should be the same and HCA/EMDA should seek to align them.

7.2 MB (HCA) confirmed discussions underway with EMDA to align SRIP and Single Conversation. Local Investment Plan required for March 2011 looking at investments for 3, 5 and 10 year periods.

7.3 MG advised that The Peak and South Kesteven were early phases of the Single Conversation. .

7.4 SC (County) raised his concerns surrounding transport issues in the housing regeneration –need to ensure Single Conversation supports wider infrastructure.

7.5 AJ (EMDA) explained that EMDA is reviewing co-ordination of strategic infrastructure and delivery. The lead agencies consist of HCA/EMDA/EA –will seek to engage other partners on a comprehensive sub regional basis.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Broxtowe Borough Council Offices:
Wednesday **16 December 2009** at **2.30 pm** in the Old Council Chamber

Future Meetings 2010 held at 2.00 pm

23 March	-	Attenborough Visitor Centre
13 April	-	Old Council Chamber, Broxtowe
22 June	-	Old Council Chamber, Broxtowe
10 August	-	Old Council Chamber, Broxtowe
7 September	-	Old Council Chamber, Broxtowe

