

JOINT COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT

**MINUTES of the meeting held at Loxley House on 13 DECEMBER 2013 from
10.02 am to 10.45 am**

Nottinghamshire County Council

- ✓ Councillor Jim Creamer (Vice-Chair)
- Councillor Kevin Greaves
- ✓ Councillor Stan Heptinstall
- Councillor Richard Jackson

- ✓ Councillor Steve Calvert (substitute for Councillor Kevin Greaves)

Nottingham City Council

- ✓ Councillor Alan Clark
- ✓ Councillor Ian Malcolm
- ✓ Councillor Toby Neal
- Councillor Jane Urquhart (Chair)

- ✓ Indicates present at meeting

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance

Jim Bamford	- Rail Officer)	
Lisa Bell	- Planning Policy)	
Sally Gill	- Group Manager, Planning)	Nottinghamshire County Council
Kevin Sharman	- Team Manager, Transport)	
	Planning and Programme)	
	Development)	
Dawn Alvey	- Growth Point Commissioning)	
	Manager)	
Chris Carter	- Transport Strategy Manager)	Nottingham City Council
Sue Flack	- Director for Planning and Transport)	
Matt Gregory	- Growth Point Planning and)	
	Planning Policy Manager)	

11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- Councillor Alan Clark) Other Authority business
- Councillor Kevin Greaves)

12 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

13 **MINUTES**

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2013 as a correct record and they were signed by the Chair.

14 **GREATER NOTTINGHAM JOINT PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE AND ALIGNED CORE STRATEGIES AND OTHER LOCAL PLANS IN GREATER NOTTINGHAM**

Dawn Alvey, Growth Point Commissioning Manager, Nottingham City Council, introduced the report of the Joint Officer Steering Group updating the Committee on the work of the Joint Planning Advisory Board (JPAB) on the Greater Nottingham Core Strategies considered at its meeting on 5 September 2013.

The following matters were referred to:

(a) Partner Authority Progress

- **Ashfield District Council:** had submitted its Draft 10 year Local Plan to the Secretary of State for public examination on 12 December 2013.
- **Erewash Borough Council:** a further hearing session before the Inspector into the five-year supply of housing land in the Borough was held on 27 November 2013 and examination of the Core Strategy continues.
- **Rushcliffe Borough Council:** a modification of the Rushcliffe Core Strategy to provide significantly higher levels of housing provision in Gamston, Edwalton and Clifton, had been requested by the Inspector. The modifications were approved by the Council in November 2013 and are currently subject to a six-week consultation period. A response from the Highways Agency on A52 issues is awaited.
- **Broxtowe, Gedling and Nottingham City:** hearing sessions into the Aligned Core Strategies were concluded on 13 November 2013.

As a result of notes issued by the Inspector, Broxtowe and Gedling Borough Council's have been asked to undertake additional work on the provision of new homes for the period 2011 to 2028. Broxtowe is asked to provide more certainty on the scale and timing of growth around Toton, and Gedling (in partnership with Ashfield District Council) to include more housing at Teal Close and to attribute housing development to Gedling Colliery/Chase Farm later in the plan period, to allow for an increase in housing provision in Nottingham's main built-up area and a reduction elsewhere. Gedling and Ashfield are expected to produce a Statement of Common Ground to assist the Inspector. The additional work is largely concerned with the scale of development and efforts will be made to incorporate a justifiable timescale for the incorporation of HS2 works into the Strategy.

(b) Joint Planning Advisory Board -Terms of Reference

A seminar/workshop will be hosted by Broxtowe Borough Council (venue to be decided) on 20 January 2014, to consider the future role and scope of the Advisory Board. The work on governance structures will be important to ensure it remains relevant under the new planning system.

RESOLVED to note the reports.

15 WASTE CORE STRATEGY UPDATE

Sally Gill, Group Manager, Policy, Nottinghamshire County Council, introduced the report of the Joint Officer Steering Group updating the Committee on the progress of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Core Strategy which was considered and approved by the County Council in October and November 2013. The Strategy had been adopted on 10 December 2013 and was now subject to a six-week review period. The Strategy, featuring renumbered policies had been retitled "Waste Local Plan Strategy Part 1 and published electronically.

RESOLVED to note the report.

16 TRANSPORT ISSUES UPDATE

Chris Carter, Transport Strategy Manager, Nottingham City Council, introduced the report of the Joint Officer Steering Group updating the Committee on the key transport issues for the Greater Nottingham area.

The Committee discussed, in particular, the importance of agreeing a strategy for future funding bids, from a consolidated pot, which reflect a 'D2N2' justification/focus and maximise opportunities to continue existing initiatives and/or develop new strands of work. Future bids will be submitted via revised of Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)/Single Local Growth Fund processes.

RESOLVED to note the report;

17 RAIL ISSUES UPDATE

Jim Bamford, Rail Officer, Nottinghamshire County Council, introduced the report of the Joint Officer Steering Group updating the Committee on the key rail issues in and into Greater Nottingham and rail services across the local authorities' boundaries.

The Committee made the following comments:

- (a) reductions in the length of the stop times for trains outside Nottingham magistrates courts as a result of the track works completed in August 2013 were welcome.
- (b) in light of High Speed 2 development there is an identified need to increase train capacities to and from Nottingham. The first of a series of improvements to journey times is welcome, but the quality of the overall travelling experience for users (e.g. cleanliness and quality of rolling stock) is also important.

PLEASE NOTE: date of next meeting – 10.00 am, 21 March 2014