

**CITY OF NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ECONOMIC
PROSPERITY COMMITTEE – 27 NOVEMBER 2018**

Subject:	EPC Work Programme		
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Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Subject to call-in
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Value of decision: Not applicable			<input type="checkbox"/> Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Capital
Authorities affected: All	Date of consultation with relevant authorities: 13-15 November 2018		
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/constituent authorities):			
<p>The Economic Prosperity Committee (EPC) last met in March 2018. The agenda for this meeting was drawn up by the City Council (as host authority) in consultation with County and District Councils.</p> <p>It is intended that regular EPC meetings are re-instigated, and that a Work Programme is developed to identify and schedule issues of key strategic interest to the Committee. This paper sets out the headline issues for future EPC meetings. Subject to any advice, it is recommended that EPC delegates responsibility for drawing up a work programme for future meetings to officers.</p>			
Exempt information:			
None			
Recommendation(s):			
<p>1 To note the headline issues for discussion at future EPC meetings, and to advise on priorities.</p>			
<p>2 To delegate the responsibility for drawing up an EPC work programme to the Chief Executive Officers of the constituent authorities.</p>			

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 To enable to plan and prioritise issues of strategic importance at future EPC meetings.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

2.1 The EPC last met in March 2018, and consequently there is no current up to date work plan for the Committee. It is proposed that a work programme be drawn up to inform the work of EPC going forwards.

2.2 Nottinghamshire County Council has submitted a bid for Business Rates Pooling on behalf of all constituent authorities, and a decision on this bid is expected in December. It is proposed that this is discussed at the next EPC, which is expected to be in January 2019.

- 2.3 The new D2N2 LEP Chair, Elizabeth Fagan, has been invited to attend EPC to outline her vision for D2N2 and its priorities. Diary commitments permitting, it is suggested that Elizabeth should present at the next EPC meeting.
- 2.4 The N2 Innovation Seminar, held at Rushcliffe Arena on 12th November 2018, identified a number of issues that would be usefully progressed through the EPC. The next steps should be agreed and fed into the future work programme.
- 2.5 Other strategic issues that have been suggested for future consideration include:
- a) Business Support
 - b) Skills
 - c) East Midlands Airport
 - d) The closure of coal fired power stations
 - e) Infrastructure corridors
 - f) Affordable housing
- 2.6 It is recommended that the responsibility for timetabling the above and identifying other issues of strategic importance is delegated to the N2 Chief Executives, supported by N2 Economic Growth Officers, and that a detailed work programme is drafted for the next EPC meeting.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To not draft a work programme and to allow agenda items to surface through informal routes. This is rejected as the EPC would not be fulfilling its remit as a strategic decision making body for issues related to economic growth across the N2 area.

4 FINANCE COLLEAGUE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 None

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COLLEAGUE COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 None

6 SOCIAL VALUE CONSIDERATIONS

- 6.1 None

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA)

- 7.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No
An EIA is not required because the report does not contain any changes to policy.

Yes

**8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN WRITING THIS REPORT
(NOT INCLUDING PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS OR CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT
INFORMATION)**

8.1 None

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN THIS REPORT

9.1 None