



**Corby TIP Board meeting
Friday 21 January 2022 10am – 12pm
Via Teams**

	<p>Present:</p> <p>Lorna Dodge (<i>Chair</i>) Rob Harbour, Rob Bridge, Valerie Finke, Brian Degruchy, MP Tom Pursglove, Cllr Steven North, Georgina Agar, Simon Phipps, Jimmy Noble, Owen Davison, Rachel Grey, Dan Pickard, Paul Ilko, Nick Bolton, Paul Thompson, Catherine Conroy, Jack Gordon, Sandy Cruikshank, Cllr Martyn Reuby, Mike Todman, Nathan Makwana, Cllr Simon Rielly Rebecca McHugo (<i>minutes</i>)</p> <p>Guest attendees: Pat Jones (Bedford College Group), Chris Jarman (WNC), Mike Newport (KierWSP)</p>	
1	<p>Welcome and apologies</p> <p>Chair welcome.</p> <p>Apologies received for: Cllr Jason Smithers Cllr Mark Pengelly – Cllr Rielly in attendance as a sub. Jessica Dildas Helen Wilmot Kyra Joy Hilary Chipping</p> <p>VF added that Jessica Dildas has moved teams and will therefore be attending these meetings on an ADHOC basis to give specialist advice on Housing related matters – The Board agreed to this request.</p>	LD / RM
2	<p>Highlight Reports</p> <p>Chair handed over to Valerie Finke to present Highlight Report.</p> <p>VF referred to highlight report previously circulated to the Board.</p> <p>It was noted that since the papers were circulated on Friday, the Sixth Form College have now submitted their Business Case and the team are in the process of reviewing the document. On Monday the team met with the NNC working group for the fund and they'll be reviewing each of the areas for their specific subject matters.</p> <p>The Accelerated Fund, George Street phase 1, is on the whole complete. VF is in the process of looking into a possible phase 2 and is just waiting for the costs for this to come through. Once the costs</p>	VF



	<p>have been received, VF will go review the internal procedures and will then bring this forward to the Board.</p> <p>It was noted that the timelines have been added to the documents to give the members an overview of the next steps of each of the projects.</p> <p>No questions raised relating to the Highlight Report and no actions noted.</p>	
3	<p>Train station to town centre link road update</p> <p>Chair handed over to Chris Jarman from WNC and Mike Newport Kier WSP.</p> <p>CJ advised that West Northants are facilitating this on behalf of North Northants as per the arrangement for shared services until individual highway contracts are set up.</p> <p>MN shared screen to present Corby Station Link progress report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scheme background• Scheme objectives• Timeline• Current challenges• Proposed design• Constraints and limitations• Current key risks <p>Chair asked Board for any questions on this item:</p> <p>Georgina Agar raised query regarding closing the underpass that's at the town centre end of Oakley Road – MN advised that this wasn't foreseen as a significant risk to the project but more of a given.</p> <p>Rob Bridge raised query regarding engagement with Network Rail and ensuring we are on this sooner rather than later. RB also raised how we're making sure we've got what we need to support this important project and the wider town Board initiatives.</p> <p>Cllr Brackenbury raised query regarding the cycle access through the carriageway and how this would affect traffic – MN advised that the cycle way will be diverted from the existing footpath to come down to the carriageway level and will still have a curb upstand (like a footpath but for cyclists) which is permissible within the standards.</p> <p>Cllr Brackenbury also queried whether there is any flexibility in the phasing of the traffic lights to take account of traffic flow – MN advised this is one of the things we would have liked to have done now (a traffic model that would monitor the build up of traffic) and will be reviewed and modelled in the later stages of the design.</p>	CJ / MN



	No actions were noted.	
4	<p>Smart and Connected Corby update</p> <p>Chair handed over to VF to update on Smart and Connected Corby.</p> <p>It was noted that Kier WSP has been appointed for this project. They will be carrying out the design work and business case shortly. As this project and the Train station to town centre link road have various similarities such as the active travel and it will be covering the same areas, it is proposed that for use of better time and resources, the two projects are amalgamated. This would mean one project and one business case for both which should save time and money overall. VF advised that they have consulted with DLUHC and they have said that this is a minor change.</p> <p>Chair and Board agreed with this proposal and no comments/objections were raised.</p> <p>No actions were noted.</p>	VF
5	<p>Bedford College update on 6th Form College project</p> <p>Chair handed over to Pat Jones to provide update on the Sixth Form College project.</p> <p>It was noted that the Consultants team has been appointed (architects, structural engineers and mechanical and electrical consultants)</p> <p>PJ advised that there is a view in place already on how they are going to achieve the building being carbon zero and are working on a scheme to ensure that this is achievable.</p> <p>Due to the difficulty of getting hold of air source heat pumps, as soon as the design is complete, we know how many are needed and the planners approve, the team will look at getting these ordered to avoid delays.</p> <p>The Business Case was submitted on Friday afternoon and are awaiting scrutiny feedback on this.</p> <p>It was noted that there is a Sixth Form Head Teacher in Bedford that has volunteered to assist with the project and stakeholder engagement and the team will be using her students to engage with and bounce ideas off (common room ideas etc.)</p> <p>There is an open evening over at Corby main campus where Georgina will be engaging with parents and students about the new</p>	PJ



	<p>provision for 2023 for additional feedback and other stakeholder engagements will be planned as the building progresses.</p> <p>The Lawyers will be reviewing the lease in a couple of weeks so the team will be working with the landlord to work towards lease arrangements.</p> <p>Gasless Bunsen burners are currently being trailed to make sure no source of gas will need to be put into the new Corby Sixth Form.</p> <p>LD confirmed all the papers have been received and once they have been approved the documents will then be available to the Board.</p> <p>No actions were noted.</p>	
6	<p>Multi-use Building update</p> <p>Chair handed over to Val Finke for update.</p> <p>VF advised that at the moment the team are seeking specialist legal and surveyor advice on this project and will then be moving on to the feasibility study and design work.</p> <p>It was noted that all potential tenants and stakeholders continue to be updated throughout the process.</p> <p>As there are various stages to this project an extension to the June deadline was requested with DHLUC and this has been granted. It was noted that DHLUC have advised that most towns within the town fund have also asked for similar extensions for their projects due to the tight deadline set by Government.</p> <p>More information and timelines for this project will be given once the feasibility work is underway.</p> <p>No questions or actions were noted.</p>	VF
7	<p>Communication</p> <p>Chair provided update on communication.</p> <p>It was noted that extra updates are being added to the website very soon which will include board changes and some project information which should be live next week and no press releases are planned at present.</p>	LD
8	<p>AOB</p> <p>Nothing noted.</p>	LD
11	<p>Date of next meeting: Friday, 4th March 2022, 10am – 12pm.</p>	



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