

# Greater Birmingham & Solihull Supervisory Board

23<sup>rd</sup> July at 14.30 hrs

Committee Room 6, Council House, Birmingham

## PRESENT

<b>Birmingham</b>	Councillor Sir Albert Bore (Voting Member)
<b>Bromsgrove</b>	Councillor Kit Taylor (alternate, Voting Member)
<b>Cannock Chase</b>	Councillor George Adamson (Voting Member)
<b>Lichfield</b>	Councillor Mike Wilcox (Voting Member)
<b>Redditch</b>	Councillor Bill Hartnett (Voting Member)
<b>Solihull</b>	Councillor Bob Sleight (Voting Member)
<b>Tamworth</b>	Councillor Steve Claymore (Voting Member)
<b>Wyre Forest</b>	Councillor Marcus Hart (alternate Voting Member)

## IN ATTENDANCE

Ian Miller	CE of Wyre Forest District Council
Andy O'Brien	CE East Staffordshire BC
Ruth Bamford	Bromsgrove and Redditch Councils
Katie Trout	LEP Executive Manager, GBSLEP
Daniel West	LEP Executive Officer, GBSLEP
Lesley Edwards	Growth Deal Interim Manager

## APOLOGIES

Councillor Richard Grosvenor	East Staffordshire
Cllr Margaret Sherry	Bromsgrove District Council
Andy Street	Chair, GBSLEP
Mark Rogers	Secretary

<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome and Apologies for Absence from current Supervisory Board Chair</b>
	Councillor Mike Wilcox, Chair of the Supervisory Board for 2014/15, welcomed those present to the meeting. Apologies were as noted as above.
<b>2.</b>	<b>Agree notes of the Last Meeting and Matters Arising</b>
	Katie Trout highlighted the following Matters Arising:  Decision 25i - the £100,000 agreed by the Supervisory Board to support the development of the GBSLEP's economic intelligence has not yet been committed as

	<p>a decision was taken by the LEP Board in June to reflect first on what work is required to support the identification of 'Economy Plus' for the Combined Authority. The requirements for this work have not yet been agreed.</p> <p>Decision 25 iv – the Higher Education Institutions are currently developing further proposals to work together to provide the economic intelligence required by the LEP.</p>
<b>28</b>	<b>RESOLVED:</b>
i.	Agreed the notes of the previous meeting on 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2015.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Election of Chairman</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>RESOLVED:</b>
i.	That Councillor Mike Wilcox, Leader of Lichfield DC, is re-elected chairman of the GBS Supervisory Board until the Annual Meeting in July 2016.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Election of Vice Chairman</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>RESOLVED:</b>
i.	That Councillor Bill Hartnett, Leader of Redditch BC, is re-elected Vice Chairman of the GBS Supervisory Board until the Annual Meeting in July 2016.
<b>5.</b>	<b>Current Membership &amp; Notification of any Substitute Members for 2015/16</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>RESOLVED:</b>
i.	Noted the membership of the Supervisory Board as set out below:
	<p><b><u>BIRMINGHAM</u></b> Councillor Sir Albert Bore (Voting) Councillor Ian Ward (Substitute voting Member)</p> <p><b><u>BROMSGROVE</u></b> Councillor Margaret Sherrey (Voting) Councillor Kit Taylor (Substitute voting Member)</p> <p><b><u>CANNOCK CHASE</u></b> Councillor George Adamson (Voting) Cllr Gordon Alcott (Substitute voting Member)</p> <p><b><u>EAST STAFFORDSHIRE</u></b> Councillor Richard Grosvenor (Voting) Cllr Patricia Ackroyd (Substitute voting Member)</p> <p><b><u>LICHFIELD</u></b> Councillor Michael Wilcox (Voting) Cllr Ian Pritchard (Substitute voting Member)</p>

	<p><b><u>REDDITCH</u></b> Councillor Bill Hartnett (Voting) Cllr Greg Chance (Substitute voting Member)</p> <p><b><u>SOLIHULL</u></b> Councillor Robert Sleigh (Voting) Cllr Ian Courts (Substitute voting Member)</p> <p><b><u>TAMWORTH</u></b> Councillor Steven Claymore (Voting) Daniel Cook (Substitute voting Member)</p> <p><b><u>WYRE FOREST</u></b> Councillor Marcus Hart (Voting) Cllr John Champion (Substitute voting Member)</p>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Notification of any Declarations of Interest</b>
	The Chair reminded Members to declare any interests before relevant items. No declarations were made for items on this agenda.
<b>7</b>	<b>Appointment of Secretary</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b>
	<p>i Mark Rogers, Chief Executive of Birmingham City Council was re-appointed as Secretary for the GBS Supervisory Board until the Annual Meeting in July 2016.</p>
<b>9</b>	<b>The Greater Birmingham and Solihull Growth Deal</b>
	<p>Lesley Edwards outlined progress in delivering the Growth Deal, including recent approvals for Local Growth Fund projects and the soft launch of the Growth Hub. Given the importance of achieving maximum spend during 2015/16, the Chair offered the Board's support in enabling this to happen.</p> <p>The need to develop a pipeline of projects from across the GBSLEP geography was raised. It was acknowledged that not all district councils have the capacity to develop the necessary business cases. It was therefore suggested that in these circumstances, project ideas should be shared with the LEP Executive who will endeavour to support their development or try to secure resources to do so.</p>
<b>33</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b>
	<p>i Noted progress in delivering the Growth Deal and the Local Growth Fund projects signed off since the last meeting.</p> <p>ii Noted the progress on the development of Growth Hub and its recent soft launch.</p>
<b>AOB</b>	<b>Day and Time of Meetings 2015/16</b>
	It was noted that the date of the October meeting will be re-arranged as it falls within the Conservative Party Conference.

The meeting closed at 14:50 hrs.

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