

**Report to the Greater Birmingham & Solihull Supervisory Board**13<sup>th</sup> April 2017**RATIFICATION OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN AT  
THE PREVIOUS MEETING****Purpose of the report**

To approve the recommendations made to the Supervisory Board at the meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017, which was not quorate.

**Recommendations**

The Supervisory Board is recommended to:

1. Approve the minutes of the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016;
2. Note the progress made in delivering the Enterprise Zone Investment Plan;
3. Ask the LEP Executive to arrange for an item on the Midlands HS2 Growth Strategy at a future meeting;
4. Note the approvals of the Snow Hill Growth Strategy and STEAMhouse Phase 2 projects taken in between meetings;
5. Note the progress in delivering the Local Growth Fund programme;
6. Note the update on Growth Deal Round 3 and the process being taken to prioritise the pipeline of schemes;
7. Note the agreement of the LEP Board to use the £25m of Local Growth Fund (LGF) ;
8. Approve an estimated annual cost of up to £20,000 from the retained Business Rates levy allocated to GBSLEP, to be reviewed in future years, and with the Nominations Committee delegated to agree guidelines for payment of incentives;
9. Agree that proposals for reviewing the efficacy of the Forum should be brought to a future meeting.

**Background**

10. The Supervisory Board meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 was not quorate, although the decision was made to proceed with the meeting.
11. Each of the agenda items discussed and decisions reached in principle; the purpose of this paper is to formally ratify those decisions so that offices can give effect to them.

**Minutes of the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

12. The Supervisory Board is recommended to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

## Enterprise Zone Investment Plan Update

13. The Supervisory Board is recommended to note the progress made in delivering the Enterprise Zone Investment Plan, and ask the LEP Executive to arrange for an item on the Midlands HS2 Growth Strategy at a future meeting.

## Local Growth Fund Programme Update

14. The Supervisory Board is recommended to:

Note the approvals of the Snow Hill Growth Strategy and STEAMhouse Phase 2 projects taken in between meetings;

Note the progress in delivering the Local Growth Fund programme;

Note the update on Growth Deal Round 3 and the process being taken to prioritise the pipeline of schemes; and

Note the agreement of the LEP Board to use the £25m of Local Growth Fund t scheme.

## Innovation Challenge Forum

15. The Supervisory Board is recommended to approve an estimated annual cost of up to £20,000 from the retained Business Rates levy allocated to GBSLEP, to be reviewed in future years, and with the Nominations Committee delegated to agree guidelines for payment of incentives; and agree that proposals for reviewing the efficacy of the Forum should be brought to a future meeting

## Conclusions

16. This paper seeks the ratification of the decisions reached in principle at the meeting of the Supervisory Board on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017. The Supervisory Board is recommended to ratify those decisions.

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