Agenda Item No: 2b)

ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes-Action Log



This is the updated action log as at 13th April 2015 and captures the actions arising from the most recent Economy and Environment Committeemeetingsand updates Members on the progress on compliance in delivering the necessary actions.

Minute No.	Report Title	Action to be taken by	Action	Comments	Status
26.	MINUTES AND ACTION LOG –from September meeting a) Adult Learning and Skills follow up work from Overview and Scrutiny	Lynsi Hayward- Smith	At the March Committee meeting it was agreed to set up a working group to look at Adult Education to consider how to improve equity and a county-wide offer, with a report to be presented to Spokes on detailed terms of reference / proposed goals. The subsequent action was for Councillor Schumann who had led on the original Overview and scrutiny review to liaise with Lynsi Hayward-Smith on preparation of a report to Spokes before coming back for Committee approval.	The Report is now scheduled to come back to the 14 th July Committee	Ongoing

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83.	A428/ A421 ALLIANCE	CIIr Bates	Cllr Walsh making reference to the proposal for an expressway indicated he would not wish this as an alternative to the Oxford / Cambridge 'varsity line' rail link and that both should be supported and progressed as both were required. The Chairman of the Committee who was also the Chairman of the group looking at the 'varsity line' indicated he could provide Councillor Walsh with more details outside of the meeting. Action: Councillor Bates.	An email update was sent by Bob Menzies on behalf of the Chairman to Councillor Walsh on Friday 10 th April. This indicated that following on from a study into the potential benefits of the central section between Bedford and Cambridge, the work is now being led and funded by Network Rail, as part of their longer term strategic planning. At present a range of possible routes are being considered including direct Bedford-Cambridge route and various routes via Hitchin, Stevenage and Luton. It is unlikely that much, if any of the old route will be used as it has either been built over or is too tortuous for the higher speed modern railway that is envisaged.	completed			

Network Rail are studying the route constraints and benefits in each of the identified potential corridors. The aim is to develop a preferred route and business case by early next year. This would then feed into the next round of rail improvements known as Control period six which runs from 2019 to 2024. Decisions on what will be in CP6 will be taken in 2017.	
All the route options would enter Cambridge from the south via the line to Hitchin, this would require adding four tracks from Shepreth Junction (where the Kings Cross and Liverpool street line split) to Cambridge station. This creates the possibility of a station at Addenbrooke's. This isn't currently possible as the line is too busy to stop trains. We left space for four tracks under both the Addenbrooke's Access Road and the Busway	

bridges.
The prime minister announced a study into both this and the eastern section of East West rail when he was in Cambridge last month. Bob Menzies has been in touch with civil servants and is awaiting details of what these studies will consist off. The eastern section of East West rail would use the existing lines to Norwich and Ipswich, the ultimate aim being through services from Norwich and
Ipswich to Oxford and beyond, e.g. Bristol or even Cardiff.

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103.	CAMBRIDGE NORTHERN FRINGEEAST AREA ACTION PLAN: ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSIDERATION	Executive Director: Economy, Transport and Environment	One of the resolutions was to agree unanimously to delegate to the Executive Director: Economy, Transport and Environment in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Environment and Economy Committee the authority to make any minor	The Chairman and Vice Chairman were consulted on 21 st March on textual changes made principally to reflect the Committee's views on two of the options for the area to be redeveloped. The response was updated to capture the Committee's input and was submitted to Cambridge City Council on 23 rd March.	comple- ted

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			textual changes to the consultation response prior to submission.		
104.	NORTHSTOWE PHASE 2 UPDATE	Executive Director: Economy, Transport and Environment	One of the actions agreed was to delegate to the Executive Director: Economy, Transport and Environmentin consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Economy and Environment Committee the authority to remove the other 3 outstanding objections as detailed in paragraphs 2.7, 2.17, and 2.25 of the report and if subsequently resolved to officers' satisfaction, given that swift progress was being made.	All 3 objections have been lifted, after the applicant was able to resolve the issues to officers' satisfaction. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman were consulted. On 25 th March, the Northstowe Joint Development Control Committee considered the phase 2 outline planning application. After 6 hours' discussion the meeting was closed. The Committee will again consider the application on 29 th July.	complet- ed

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105.	DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT CYCLE CITY AMBITION PROGRAMME 2015-18	Mike Davies Team Leader - Cycling Projects, ETE	a) The Chairman reiterated the need for full consultation with residents, especially in those areas where it was known that there was opposition to two way cycling / other cycling issues concerns	a) Response - Mike Davies met initially with the North Newtown Residents Association on 9 th April in what was to be the first of a series of meetings to discuss officer aspirations for cycling in their area, to hear their concerns and ideas, and agree the required traffic surveys.	ongoing
			e. g. Panton Street / Hills Road and that this should include formal traffic surveys being undertaken, as well as taking on board the further proposals for additional cycling routes raised during the debate.		
			b) There was a request that the Chairman and Vice Chairman should be furnished with full details of the walking bid proposals.	b) Response - The details of the walking bid were shared with the Chairman and Vice Chairman following the meeting. As an update it can be reported that the bid was unsuccessful.	complet- ed

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106.	ADDITIONAL 2015/16 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE	Graham Amis / Joseph Whelan	One Member queried why the target to increase passenger numbers to the prior level was a four year target, suggesting 18 months to two years might be more appropriate. A report on Park and Ride Charges had been requested for the Committee's July meeting and it was suggested this might be the appropriate opportunity to consider whether the performance targetshould be revised.	The officers will liaise to ensure a review is included as part of the July Report.	ongoing