

Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board

Thursday 15th December 2022 4:00 p.m. – 4:55 p.m.

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the formal minutes of the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

Andy Neely declared a non-statutory disclosable interest in relation to the Quarterly Progress Report item (agenda item 6), as an employee of the University of Cambridge.

Councillor Dave Baigent declared a general non-statutory disclosable interest as a member of the Cambridge Cycling Campaign (Camcycle).

3. Minutes

The minutes of the previous Executive Board meeting, held on 28th September 2022, were agreed as a correct record, and were signed by the Chairperson.

4. Public Questions

One public question had been accepted by the Chairperson, who had agreed that the question would be taken at the start of the relevant agenda item.

5. Feedback from the Joint Assembly

The Executive Board received a report from the Chairperson of the GCP Joint Assembly, Councillor Tim Bick, which summarised the discussions from the Joint Assembly meeting held on 23rd November 2022.

6. Quarterly Progress Report

The Executive Board resolved to:

- (a) Note that the Making Connections consultation was launched on 17th October and will continue until 23rd December;
- (b) Approve the appointment of a consultant to support the GCP's Gateway review process; and
- (c) Approve the request to continue funding, via the Centre for Business Research, the quarterly company analysis data draw for the next twenty-four months; and on part funding an annual data draw.

7. Greater Cambridge Greenways: Haslingfield and Comberton

The Executive Board resolved to:

- (a) Note the results from the Public Engagement exercise and agree any changes to the scheme design resulting from the engagement;
- (b) Agree the Outline Business Cases for Comberton and Haslingfield Greenways;
- (c) Agree to the submission of the required Planning Applications, Permitted Development Applications, Section 25 and 26 Rights of Way creation Orders and Traffic Regulation Orders working with the County Council as necessary;
- (d) Agree to the use of Compulsory Purchase Powers for land where section 26 Highways Act 1980 powers cannot be used;
- (e) Agree the programme of delivery for Comberton and Haslingfield Greenways;
- (f) Agree to finalise schemes for construction and complete Full Business Cases for the Comberton and Haslingfield Greenways; and
- (g) Agree to the construction of Early Works in 2023.

8. Smart Cambridge Update and Forward Programme

The Executive Board resolved to:

- (a) Note the progress of Smart Cambridge and its contribution to wider GCP objectives; and
- (b) Approve the proposed forward programme as an input to future budget discussions.

9. Developing the GCP Approach to Biodiversity Net Gain

The Executive Board resolved to:

- (a) Note the opportunities and approach to achieving 20% biodiversity net gain across the GCP programme; and
- (b) Approve the proposal for the next stage of work on the delivery approach including further work to determine the scale of opportunity and timelines for delivery.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The Executive Board noted that the next meeting was scheduled to be held on Thursday 9th March 2023.