

Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board

Thursday 29 June 2023 2:00 p.m. – 4:45 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. Election of Chairperson

The Executive Board resolved to:

Elect Councillor Elisa Meschini as Chairperson of the GCP Executive Board for the 2023/24 municipal year.

2. Appointment of Vice-Chairperson

The Executive Board resolved to:

Elect Councillor Brian Milnes as Vice-Chairperson of the GCP Executive Board for 2023/24 municipal year.

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absences were received from Mayor Dr Nik Johnson.

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Mike Davey declared a non-statutory disclosable interest in relation to Agenda Item 9 (Greater Cambridge Greenways: Bottisham, Swaffham and St Ives), as a resident of Riverside.

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

5. Minutes

The minutes of the previous Executive Board meeting, held on 9 March 2023, were agreed as a correct record, and were signed by the Chairperson.

6. Public Questions

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

7. 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 8 June 2023, and the extraordinary joint meeting of the Executive Board and Joint Assembly held on 26 June 2023.

8. Quarterly Progress Report

The Executive Board resolved to:

- (a) Note the progress across the programme; and
- (b) Approve the proposal to undertake a procurement exercise to provide GCP specific legal support to the programme.

Greater Cambridge Greenways: Bottisham, Swaffham and St Ives

The Executive Board resolved to:

- (a) Note the results from the Public Engagement exercises, conducted during Q1 of 2023 and agree any changes to scheme design resulting from the engagement;
- (b) Agree the Outline Business Cases for the Bottisham, Swaffhams and St Ives Greenways;
- (c) Agree to the use of Compulsory Purchase Powers for land where section 26 Highways Act 1980 powers cannot be used;
- (d) Agree the programme of delivery for Bottisham, Swaffhams and St Ives Greenways;
- (e) Agree to finalise schemes for construction and complete Full Business Cases for the Bottisham, Swaffhams and St Ives Greenways; and
- (f) Agree the Wayfinding concept design following the completed public poll.

Making Connections Consultation Feedback and the City Access Strategy

The Executive Board resolved to:

- (a) Note the feedback from the 2022 Making Connections consultation, including the public survey, the accompanying opinion polling, organizational submissions, and stakeholder meetings;
- (b) Informed by the feedback from the consultation, and the comments of the GCP Joint Assembly, note and comment on the range of scenarios for modifying the proposed scheme, set out in this paper in section 9;
- (c) Request that GCP officers work with Cambridgeshire County Council officers to develop the technical assessment needed to present an Outline Business Case for further consideration by the GCP Executive Board, and by Cambridgeshire County Council, in Autumn 2023.
- (d) Agree to work with the CPCA, as the Transport Authority, including the provision of resource, to input findings from the Making Connections consultation and technical work into the CPCA's work on bus reform and review of the bus network by the Autumn; and
- (e) Request that GCP officers develop proposals for the early introduction of a bus and sustainable travel package (as set out in section 11) based on the £50m of city deal funding provisionally allocated for this purpose, for decision at the GCP Executive Board meeting in December 2023.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The Executive Board:

- (a) Noted the programme of meetings for 2024; and
- (b) Noted that the next meeting was scheduled to be held on Thursday 28th September 2023.