

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

On Wednesday 20 May 2020

Decisions

Decisions set out below cannot be implemented until 5 clear working days after publication of this notice which is Friday 29 May 2020.

Apologies

Councillor Ian Brookfield, City of Wolverhampton Council – Substitute was Councillor Louise Miles

Councillor Mike Bird, Walsall Council

Declarations of Interest

Tom Westley declared that he is a Governor at Dudley College, a Trustee of Dudley Academies Trust and a Director of the Institute of Technology and did not participate in any discussion on Item 5 of the Agenda.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 (as amended):

It was resolved that the public be excluded from the private session during consideration of: Agenda items 4, 5, 6 and 7 for the reasons given on the agenda.

Black Country Local Growth Deal – YMCA CLEVELAND ROAD - Grant Agreement Approval

Decision 20/0007

Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). It was resolved that the BCJC:

approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to a Grant Agreement with the YMCA for a sum detailed in the private report to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the YMCA Cleveland Road Project with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year using the Growing Places Fund to support for any Local Growth Deal over-programming required.

Black Country Local Growth Deal – HUB TO HOME TRANSPORT INNOVATION CENTRE AND TEST TRACK PROJECT:VERY LIGHT RAIL AND AUTONOMOUS TECHNOLOGIES – TEST TRACK – PROJECT CHANGE REQUEST - Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Decision 20/0008

Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). It was resolved that the BCJC:

2.1 approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Dudley Council to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail and Autonomous Technologies – Test Track Project with delivery to commence in the 2019/20 financial year using the Growing Places Fund to support for any Local Growth Deal over-programming required.

2.2 Notes that this change request relates to the associated fees for the project as detailed in 3.5 of the private report.

Black Country Local Growth Deal – BIRCHLEY ISLAND DEVELOPMENT PHASE – PROJECT CHANGE REQUEST - Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Decision 20/0009

Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). It was resolved that the BCJC:

2.1 approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Sandwell Council to a sum detailed in the private report to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Birchley Island Development Phase Project with delivery to commence in the 2019/20 financial year.

2.2 The balance of the development funding is to be considered as part of a separate Grant Agreement request that will come forward to the Black Country Executive Joint Committee for approval for the Local Growth Fund Birchley Island Main Scheme site assembly project.

Black Country Local Growth Deal and Land and Property Investment Fund – i54 WESTERN EXTENSION – Grant Agreement Approval and Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Decision 20/0010

Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). It was resolved that the BCJC:

2.1 approves the Accountable Body for the Land and Property Investment Fund (Walsall Council) to proceed to reducing the current Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council to a sum detailed in the private report.

2.2 approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to a Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council for a sum detailed in the private report to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF), funded elements of the i54 Western Extension project – with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.

2.3 Note that all project outputs will be claimed and split across more than one LEP funding programme, with the proportion of the output split still to be confirmed.