

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

Wednesday 24 June 2020, 9.30am

To be held via a Teams Virtual Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES (PUBLIC)

VOTING MEMBERS

Councillor Patrick Harley, Dudley MBC
Councillor Yvonne Davies, Sandwell MBC
Councillor Mike Bird, Walsall MBC (Chair)
Councillor Ian Brookfield, City of Wolverhampton

NON VOTING MEMBERS

Tom Westley, Black Country LEP

IN ATTENDANCE

Kevin O'Keefe, Dudley MBC
David Stevens, Sandwell MBC
Dr Helen Paterson, Walsall MBC
Tim Johnson, City of Wolverhampton
Sarah Middleton, The Black Country Consortium Ltd

INVITED GUESTS

Helen Martin, Dudley MBC
Dr Alison Knight, Sandwell MBC
Simon Neilson, Walsall MBC
Richard Lawrence, Wolverhampton CC
Stuart Everton, Black Country Director of Transport
Lara Smith, The Black Country Consortium Ltd

Councillor Bird welcomed everyone to the virtual meeting which is being held in accordance with the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.

Councillor Bird advised that the requirement for meetings to be quorate still applies but should the meeting become inquorate (less than 3) due to technological issues, then he will adjourn the meeting for a defined period to allow for reconnection.

Councillor Bird then asked each participant to confirm that they could see and hear proceedings.

1. **Apologies**
None.

2. 20/0011 **Notes of Meeting held on 12 February 2020**

Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

that the notes of the meeting held on 12 February 2020 be confirmed as a true record.

3. **Matters Arising from the notes of the previous meeting**
None.

4. **Declarations of Interest**

None

5. 20/0012 **Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 (as amended):**

To agree that the public be excluded from the private session

It was resolved that :

The public be excluded from the private session during consideration of items 20 – 27.

Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)

6. **Growing Places Fund – DAISY BANK SITE INVESTIGATION – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement**

Lara Smith (supported by Richard Lawrence) referred to the report previously circulated that explains that the grant funding was approved in April 2019 for £13,107.50. Since the project approval, the Site Investigation has progressed well. No further investigative works are required and as a result a Change Request has been submitted by the project manager due to the project concluding under budget, with a cost saving.

20/0013 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

2.1 That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Growing Places Fund (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council** for the Growing Places Fund funded elements of the Daisy Bank Site Investigation project.

2.2 Notes that there was a positive outcome of an underspend on the Site Investigation. The LEP funds were underspent by £3,005 and the applicant's leverage reduced by a further £5,563.

7. **Growing Places Fund – WOLVERHAMPTON ENVIRONMENT CENTRE SITE INVESTIGATION – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement**

Lara Smith (supported by Richard Lawrence) referred to the report previously circulated that the grant funding was previously approved of £7,421.26. Since the project approval the Site Investigation has progressed well. No further investigative works are required and as a result a Change Request has been submitted by the project manager as the project has been concluded under budget, with a cost saving.

20/0014 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

2.1 That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Growing Places Fund (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council** for the Growing Places funded elements of the Wolverhampton Environment Centre Site Investigation project.

2.2 Notes that there was a positive outcome of an underspend on the Site Investigation. The LEP funds were underspent by £2,323 and the applicant's leverage reduced by a further £995.

8. Growing Places Fund – WM5G PROJECT BLACK COUNTRY LEP DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTION – Grant Agreement Approval

20/0015 **The report was presented in private session and a decision was made following consideration of the confidential information – see Item 21.**

9. Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund – IRON PARK MOXLEY – Grant Agreement Approval

20/0016 **The report was presented in private session and a decision was made following consideration of the confidential information – see Item 22.**

10. Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund – PHOENIX 10 – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

20/0017 **The report was presented in private session and a decision was made following consideration of the confidential information – see Item 23.**

11. Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund – SANDWELL HOUSING GAP FUNDING – PHASE 1 – Grant Agreement Approval

20/0018 **The report was presented in private session and a decision was made following consideration of the confidential information – see Item 24.**

12. Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund – MUSIC INSTITUTE – Programme Change FOR NOTING

Lara Smith (supported by Helen Martin) referred to the report previously circulated that details the project which includes the purchase and refurbishment of an existing building - Cable Plaza (previously owned by INTU and unoccupied for circa

eight years), and the construction of new high-quality student accommodation which has the potential to unlock an investment opportunity of approximately £37m. To date all LPIF funds have been drawn down and the building refurbishment works have been completed to an exceptionally high standard, on time and within budget. The college is now commencing promotional work and seeking to enrol students ahead of the next academic year, starting in September 2020.

As the new residential units were targeted towards student accommodation, and these are counted as 4 units to 1, a change request is required to reduce the original forecast from 600 units to 150. It has been confirmed that the developer has submitted an updated planning permission for the new housing units to Dudley Council.

20/0019 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

2.1 That the Joint Committee **notes the reduction of the original outputs** forecast for the Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF) funded elements of the Music Institute project due to project outcomes being now counted as 4 units to 1 (4 student accommodation units counted as 1 residential unit) within the LPIF programme.

2.2 Note a reduction of the Student Accommodation forecast from 600 units to 150.

2.3 Note a reduction on the Housing Output forecast of the LPIF Tranche 1 funding from 1600 down to 1150.

13 Black Country Enterprise Zone – **BOXPOOL** – Grant Agreement Approval

20/0020 **The report was presented in private session and a decision was made following consideration of the confidential information – see Item 27.**

14 Black Country Growth Hub – **GROWTH HUB FUNDING AGREEMENT APPROVAL 2020/21**

Lara Smith (supported by Simon Neilson) referred to the report previously circulated advising that The Black Country Growth Hub is a partnership made up of Dudley Council, Sandwell Council, Walsall Council, City of Wolverhampton Council, the Black Country Chamber of Commerce, the Black Country Consortium (BCC Ltd) and the University of Wolverhampton. BCC Ltd now manages the Grant on behalf of Walsall Council through the Black Country Growth Hub Strategic Board, which reports into the Competitiveness Theme Advisory Board. Day to day activity is administered by the Head of the Black Country Growth Hub, employed by the Black

Country Consortium. In April 2020, Walsall Council received and accepted the official offer letter from BEIS confirming the Funding for 2020/2021 financial year.

Cllr Brookfield asked when the additional allocation of £10m funding announced by the Government for all of the Growth Hubs would be arriving.

Sarah Middleton advised that once BEIS confirm this funding a further paper will be taken to the LEP Board and then onto the Black Country Joint Committee. This is expected around July time.

20/0021 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

That the Joint Committee approves for the Accountable Body for the Black Country Growth Hub (Walsall Council) to **proceed to a Grant Agreement, with the Black Country Consortium Ltd**, to deliver the Black Country Growth Hub Funding for 2020/21.

15 Black Country Local Growth Deal – **WOODS LANE PHASE 2** – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Lara Smith (supported by Alison Knight) referred to the report previously circulated that It has also been announced that Galliford Try have changed its name to Vistry Group PLC, saying the proposed new corporate name will be used for both the enlarged group's housebuilding and partnerships businesses. The enlarged housebuilding business will continue to operate with both the Bovis Homes and Linden Homes brands.

These changes in no way impact the final outcome of the Woods Lane Phase 2 project. The construction is well underway with a number of new housing units already completed onsite. Vistry have provided the necessary documentation required to the Programme Management Office and the Accountable Body, which is currently under review with legal advice being sought to verify the security provided for the grant funding.

20/0022 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

2.1 That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Galliford Try Partnerships Limited to change the company name to Vistry Partnerships Limited** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF), funded elements of the Woods Lane Phase 2 Project.

2.2 Notes that this change request relates to a change of company name and registered office address.

16 Black Country Local Growth Deal – CITY LEARNING QUARTER SITE INVESTIGATION – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

20/0023 **The report was presented in private session and a decision was made following consideration of the confidential information – see Item 25.**

17 Black Country Local Growth Deal – FAB KIT FAB LAB – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Lara Smith (supported by Alison Knight) referred to the report previously circulated that confirms that the project completed in 2016, the funding is fully claimed and the project is at output monitoring stage. A change request has been submitted by the Sandwell College to revise the outputs in line with expected results. The initial targets were over ambitious and disproportional to the scale of the funding received. For example, one of the 10 targets were 120 business assists, which has to offer 12 hours assistance or the equivalent of £1000 to count as eligible. This equates to £120,000 worth of assistance, which is three times more than the funding. This is in addition to the £120,000 plus spent on equipment and the project running costs over £60,000 per year. To achieve all the targets more resources would be required, which is not financially viable. The new Outputs are detailed in the report at 3.5.

20/0024 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

2.1 That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Sandwell College** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Fab Kit – Fab Lab project.

2.2 Notes that this change request relates to a revision of Outputs.

18 Black Country Local Growth Deal – M6 JUNCTION 10 – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

20/0025 **The report was presented in private session and a decision was made following consideration of the confidential information – see Item 26.**

19 **Black Country LEP Assurance Framework – Revised Appendix 25**

Lara Smith (supported by Sarah Middleton) referred to the report previously circulated that details the requested changes to the Change Control and Delegated Authority processes. Full details were explained in the report and Appendix 25 to the Black Country LEP Assurance Framework will be updated.

20/0026 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

Approval of the revised Black Country LEP Assurance Framework Change Control and Delegated Authority governance, attached as **Attachment 1** of this report (Black Country LEP Assurance Framework Appendix 25).

PRIVATE SESSION (public summary)

(Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended))

Councillor Birds asked each person in attendance to ensure and verbally declare that there were no other persons present who were not entitled to either hear or see the proceedings.

20 20/0027 **Notes of Previous Meeting held on 20 May 2020 – Private Session**

Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

that the Private Session notes of the meeting held on 20 May 2020 be confirmed as a true record.

21 **Growing Places Fund – WM5G Project – Black Country LEP Development Contribution – Grant Agreement Approval**

Lara Smith (supported by Sarah Middleton) referred to the report previously circulated that details that there has been major changes to the funding model for the Government's Urban Connected Cities (UCC) programme, which is a DCMS-led programme to accelerate the deployment of 5G next-generation mobile connectivity in the UK.

WM5G have removed the requirement for LEP's to provide funding towards the actual testbeds. This was previously in the millions for the LEP's. They have proposed asking WMCA for this funding.

LEP's are now observers on the WM5G board, which has been useful to have sight, and to exercise influence and understanding around the development of the various testbeds and accelerators.

The only tangible outcomes that the Black Country will receive for this funding contribution, are the mobilisation documents (business case documentation to take the scheme forward) from the mobilisation activity for the 5G project. There is an initial gainshare payment from the BDUK / BT superfast broadband project (that was originally funded from the Growing Places Fund programme) that is due to be repaid back in regular payments once the project is brought to a formal closure – which is expected during July – Sep 2020. There is a requirement to reinvestment these funds into further Digital Projects.

The BCLEP 5G contribution will be funded from the gainshare payment, once this payment is received by the Single Accountable Body.

20/0028 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

Following consideration of the confidential information in the Private Session of the agenda:

2.1 That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Growing Places Fund (Walsall Council) to **proceed to a Grant Agreement with WM5G Ltd for a sum detailed in the Private report** to deliver the Growing Places Fund (GPF), funded elements of the WM5G Project with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.

2.2 That the Joint Committee notes that this contribution is to be funded from the Broadband Gainshare element of the Growing Places Fund Programme.

22 Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund – IRON PARK MOXLEY – Grant Agreement Approval

Lara Smith (supported by Simon Neilson) referred to the report previously circulated which details the former Moxley Tip site is in a highly accessible location immediately adjacent to the Black Country New Road ('New Road') and Black Country Route, and has direct access within 2 miles to M6 J10. The full 'Iron Park' project site extends to 11.26 ha of which only 0.11 ha are occupied and in use as an MOT testing centre. Some 10.12 ha comprising the former Moxley Tip is owned by Parkhill Estates and is vacant. Parkhill Estates have submitted a full Business Case and have a company on board to let the space. The Due Diligence work is being refreshed and a paper will be submitted to capture the outcome of this. There is still a funding gap on this project, however this is being actively worked through with West Midlands Combined Authority.

Councillor Bird asked for his thanks to be noted to all of the officers that have been involved in bringing this project forward.

20/0029 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

Following consideration of the confidential information in the Private Session of the agenda:

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund (Walsall Council) to **proceed to a Grant Agreement with Parkhill Estates Ltd for £6,500,000** to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF) funded elements of the Iron Park Moxley Project with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.
- 2.2 Note the funding sum of £6,500,000 has been requested to be re-allocated to this project from the Phoenix 10 project LPIF allocation.

23 Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund – **PHOENIX 10** – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Lara Smith (supported by Simon Neilson) referred to the report previously circulated that explains the Phoenix 10 site in Walsall is the largest employment site in the Black Country and one of the largest brownfield employment opportunities in the West Midlands. It is part of the Black Country Enterprise Zone (BCEZ) and is located near to significant investments that the Black Country LEP (BC LEP) and its partners are making in new transport infrastructure.

The BC LEP will see a return on its investment in the Phoenix 10 project through the retained business rates that will be generated from occupation of the completed development.

Due to delays with future funding being accessible to the BC LEP for the allocation of funding for new projects, the delivery of the pipeline of priority projects has become more urgent. In order to facilitate and support the delivery of key projects, a proposal has been put forward to reduce the LPIF allocation for the Phoenix 10 project by £6,500,000 and re-allocate this to another key commercial scheme - Iron Park Moxley. The Iron Park Project was approved at the May's 2019 Funding Sub Group and BC LEP Board meetings, however, this approval was subject to funding becoming available. The reduction of the Phoenix 10 project grant will be substituted by funds from the BCEZ. The project falls under the Walsall Council geographical area and Walsall Council, as Local Authority, will be required to borrow £6.5m, which will be recovered from future business rates generated from the site. Walsall Council will require approval from their Cabinet to borrow at a later date.

Councillor Bird asked for his thanks to be noted to all of the officers that have been involved in bringing this project forward.

20/0030 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

Following consideration of the confidential information in the Private Session of the agenda:

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Land and Property Investment Fund (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amend an Internal Agreement with Walsall Council** to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF) funded elements of the Phoenix 10 Project.
- 2.2 Approve a reduction in LPIF funds to the value of £6,500,000, already awarded to the Phoenix 10 project, to be reallocated to the Iron Park, Moxley scheme.
- 2.3 Approve that future business rates generated from Phoenix 10 can be utilised by Walsall Council to recover their borrowing costs (capital payments plus interest) associated with funding in line with the financial model.

24 Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund – **SANDWELL HOUSING GAP FUNDING – PHASE 1** – Grant Agreement Approval

Lara Smith (supported by Alison Knight) referred to the report previously circulated that explains that Sandwell Council have submitted a project bid to the Black Country LEP, relating to three council owned sites, in support of their ambitious plans for new, good quality, low cost housing within the region. The two sites which are part of this request at Stanhope Road Smethwick and King Street Wednesbury, both of which are considered suitable for residential development but which have remained vacant and under-utilised for a considerable number of years, due to site constraints and market failure through low values attainable.

20/0031 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

Following consideration of the confidential information in the Private Session of the agenda:

That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Land and Property Investment Fund (Walsall Council) to **proceed to a Grant Agreement with Sandwell Council** to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund, funded elements of the Sandwell Housing Gap Funding Phase 1 Project – with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.

25 Black Country Local Growth Deal – **CITY LEARNING QUARTER SITE INVESTIGATION** – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Lara Smith (supported by Richard Lawrence) referred to the report previously circulated that details the ongoing support for the, two locations for the new Wolverhampton College proposal – the City Learning Quarter (City Centre Campus) and the City of Wolverhampton Technical Centre (Bilston Campus). Site investigations have recently been concluded at the City Centre Campus to better understand the complexities before a full application for the main scheme was to be submitted (the original grant award of £120,000 was allocated to the City Centre campus). Following on from this, it has been established that site investigations and further development work is required at the Bilston Campus in order to continue design work for the new technical and engineering facility which sits outside of the city centre, rebranded as CoWTEchC.

20/0032 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

Following consideration of the confidential information in the Private Session of the agenda:

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF), funded elements of the City Learning Quarter Site Investigation project with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.
- 2.2 That the Joint Committee notes this change request relates to an additional funding request relating to the City of Wolverhampton Technical Centre (Bilston Campus) and is to be underwritten by Wolverhampton City Council. Any Site Investigation funding is considered revenue and is subject to standard clawback conditions, until such time as: an asset/main scheme is delivered on site, which is required to be evidenced by either a built asset, or by a fully funded approved Business Case in support of the main scheme.

26 **Black Country Local Growth Deal – M6 JUNCTION 10 – Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement**

Lara Smith (supported by Simon Neilson) referred to the report previously circulated that details the M6 Junction 10 Major Scheme will deliver a new, increased-capacity circulatory carriageway at M6 J10. It will provide two new, widened bridges over the motorway, enlarging the circulatory carriageway to address congestion and accommodate future traffic growth. The request is for the re-profile of the funding.

- 20/0033 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

Following consideration of the confidential information in the Private Session of the agenda:

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee **approves the changes to the project grant profile.**
- 2.2 Note the progress update for the M6 Junction 10 project and that this change request relates to the spend profile.

27 Black Country Enterprise Zone – **BOXPOOL** – Grant Agreement Approval

Lara Smith (supported by Simon Neilson) referred to the report previously circulated that details the Box Pool site in Darlaston (Walsall) forms part of the Black Country Enterprise Zone and is owned by Darlaston Builders Merchants. The project relates to the development of the site in order to create a builder's merchants depot and headquarters for Darlaston Builders Merchants, who are the applicant for funding assistance, owners of the site and promoters of the project. The proposed development is understood to relate to delivery of a portal framed unit with part cavity brick/block (internally painted) and part double skin insulated metal sheet elevation walls, under an insulated double skin metal sheet pitched roof, incorporating translucent roof lights.

- 20/0034 Councillor Bird moved the recommendations which were put to the vote by way of a roll-call of BCJC members. The motion was subsequently declared carried and it was:

Resolved (unanimously)

Following consideration of the confidential information in the Private Session of the agenda:

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee approves Walsall Council (being the Local Authority area in which the applicant falls geographically) to **proceed to a Grant Agreement with Darlaston Builders Merchants** to deliver the Black Country Enterprise Zone (BC EZ) funded elements of the Boxpool project – with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.
- 2.2 Approve that future business rates generated from Boxpool can be utilised by Walsall Council to recover their borrowing costs (capital payments plus interest) associated with funding in line with the financial model.



REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal

BLACK COUNTRY LIVING MUSEUM: FORGING AHEAD - CHANGE REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the expenditure for the Black Country Living Museum: Forging Ahead project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Black Country Living Museum: Forging Ahead Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) vi.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the project grant profile for the Black Country Living Museum** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Black Country Living Museum: Forging Ahead Project with delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 The project commencement was later than forecast due to a delay in receiving permission to start by National Lottery Heritage Fund and not being able to successfully award the contract through the initial procurement route of open tenders.
- 3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£0	£2,630,000	£6,370,000	£9,000,000
Requested Re-Profile	£0	£1,075,586	£7,924,414	£9,000,000

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the funds re-profile change request.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance Officers at Dudley Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

Copies of the following supporting documents can be provided on request:

- Project Change Request.

Attachments

None.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

**Black Country Local Growth Deal
GROWING PRIORITY SECTORS PROGRAMME - CHANGE REQUEST**

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approves the expenditure and outputs for the Growing Priority Sectors programme in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Growing Priority Sectors programme Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) xiii), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Sandwell Council** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Growing Priority Sectors programme.

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 The request is to capture projects final expenditure and to revert the original output for commercial floorspace constructed from 13,041sqm incorrectly reported by the project and captured within the Deed of Variation to 5796 sqm target.

3.2 Growing Priority Sectors programme financial profile:

Grant allocation	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Total
Current Profile	1,493,383	1,335,344	1,669,415	3,155,352	574,771	8,228,265
Requested Re-Profile	1,493,383	1,335,344	1,669,415	3,155,352	530,163	8,183,656

3.3 Growing Priority Sectors programme outputs profile:

Output	Jobs	Apprenticeships	Business Assists	Learner Assists	Commercial Floorspace (sqm)
Current Profile	800	45	48	14	13041
Requested Re-Profile	800	45	48	14	5796

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for this change request as it addresses the administrative error correction.

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5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance Officers at Sandwell Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal
HALESOWEN COLLEGE – BUSINESS AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT CENTRE
- CHANGE REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the expenditure for the Halesowen College – Business and Construction Management Centre project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Halesowen College – Business and Construction Management Centre Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) ii.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for Halesowen College Corporation** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Halesowen College – Business and Construction Management Centre Project delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 The project reported that due to a delay in securing the grant agreement, the impact of COVID-19 lockdown on construction, and delays in furniture delivery, the remaining qualifying grant expenditure will be incurred in 2020/21 financial year.

3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£176,565	£3,535,535	£2,220,000	£5,932,100
Requested Re-Profile	£176,565	£2,895,209	£2,860,326	£5,932,100

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the funds re-profile change request.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance officers at Dudley MBC were consulted as part of the development of this report.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

**Black Country Local Growth Deal
HATHERTON STREET PHASE 2 - CHANGE REQUEST**

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the expenditure for the Hatherton Street Phase 2 project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Hatherton Street Phase 2 Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) iii.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the Jessup Brothers Ltd** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Hatherton Street Phase 2 Project delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 The project reported delay in completion due to COVID-19. The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Name of Grantee: Jessup Brothers Ltd	2018/19 (£m)	2019/20 (£m)	2020/21 (£m)	LGF Total (£m)
(SEPPL88): Hatherton Street Phase 2 – Original	£0	£799,819	£0	£799,819
(SEPPL88): Hatherton Street Phase 2 – Re-profile Request	£0	£384,611	£239,967	£624,578
Delegated Authority (approved)			£97,500	
Remaining £ of the Project Re-profile Request (to be considered at the July's BCJC)			£142,466	
Total			£239,967	

*Note the project reported that full amount of awarded grant will not be required with the request to carried forward £239,967 only.

*Delegated Authority has been utilised and allowed the release of £97,500 (out of £239,967) funding to the applicant prior to the Black Country Joint Committee decision, with further request to Joint Committee to approve the re-profile the remaining Grant award amount of £142,666 to 2020/21 financial year, enabling the project to continue with planned works and fully utilise spend.

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the grant re-profile change request as BCR is not affected.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance officers at Walsall Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

**Black Country Local Growth Deal
i9 (BLOCK 9) WOLVERHAMPTON - CHANGE REQUEST**

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the expenditure for the I9 (Block 9) Wolverhampton project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual i9 (Block 9) Wolverhampton Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) i.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the ION Projects Ltd** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the I9 (Block 9) Wolverhampton Project with delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 The project reported 2 weeks delay due to Severn Trent Water returning to site to complete sewer diversion works and reduced productivity in March due to COVID-19.
- 3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Grant allocation	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£0	£936,214	£3,061,453	£3,997,667
Requested Re-Profile	£0	£755,280	£3,242,387	£3,997,667

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the grant re-profile change request as BCR is not affected.

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5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

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7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance Officers at Wolverhampton City Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal
MILL LANE BRIDGE AND ALDRIDGE LINE AQUEDUCT GRIP 2 - 3 STUDY - CHANGE
REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the expenditure for the Mill Lane Bridge and Aldridge Line Aqueduct GRIP 2 – 3 Study project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Mill Lane Bridge and Aldridge Line Aqueduct GRIP 2 – 3 Study Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) viii.), endorsed by Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the Walsall Council** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Mill Lane Bridge and Aldridge Line Aqueduct GRIP 2 – 3 Study Project with delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 The project reported a change in further work packages required and its commissioning, creating a slippage of expenditure. The grant re-profile to 2020/21 is required to support the development of the GRIP 3 work streams.

3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£120,000	£95,750	£81,750	£0	£297,500
Requested Re-Profile	£120,000	£95,750	£0	£81,750	£297,500

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the grant re-profile change request as BCR is not affected.

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5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

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7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance officers at Walsall Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Land and Property Investment Fund
NARROWBOAT WAY SITE INVESTIGATION - CHANGE REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the Change Request for the Narrowboat Way Site Investigation project, within the Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF) programme.
- 1.2 This project was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on 3 June 2020 via email, endorsed in principle by the Working Group on 11 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Decisions Ref: 86/20), ratified by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee approves for the Accountable Body for the Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Blackacres Properties Ltd** to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF) funded elements of the Narrowboat Way Site Investigation Project.
- 2.2 The approval of a project underspend of £6,402.18.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 An application from Blackacres Properties Ltd was submitted to the Black Country LEP in 2018 to carry out Site Investigation works on Site 5C, Narrowboat Way in Dudley. Blackacres Properties Ltd are owners of the site and identified this site as having potential commercial employment viability as this is included in the DY5 area of the Black Country Enterprise Zone. The site itself is approximately 50,000 square feet of light industrial space with the developer's intention to further develop this land, as this will contribute to the Black Country SEP growth objectives.
- 3.2 Phase 1 study of the site identified a number of challenges to be overcome in the way of contamination and mineshaft remediation. This would bring the commercial viability of the site into question, but it is thought that an economical engineered solution is achievable. Before proceeding to the design and planning stage, the applicant had to undertake a phase 2 site investigation to determine the underlying issues with the site, to assess the risk to the public health and enable them to create a suitable remediation strategy to take forward.
- 3.3 The applicant obtained a number of quotes for a number of studies, with quotes that were obtained from land remediation and site investigation specialists. It was agreed to proceed with Watermans due to their experience across a range of services and areas, not just land remediation; Watermans can also offer assistance with traffic management, civil engineering and foundation design proposals. The funding allocation approved by the Black Country Joint Committee is detailed as follows:

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
BC LEP - LPIF	£48,747	£0	£0	£48,747

- 3.4 The Site Investigation is now complete, with copies of the final reports available for review on request. The cost of the investigative works came within budget, resulting in a small underspend of the LPIF grant, which has been captured along with the match funding, in the table below.

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
BC LEP - LPIF	£0	£42,344.82	£0	£42,344.82
Applicants own funds	£0	£30,246.30	£0	£30,246.30
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>£0</u>	<u>£72,591.12</u>	<u>£0</u>	<u>£72,591.12</u>

- 3.5 Whilst the project is complete, the standard LEP clawback conditions apply. The PMO and the Single Accountable Body will continue to monitor the development of the capital scheme, in order to ensure that a capital asset is delivered within a reasonable timeframe.

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

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5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial implications are anticipated to arise from the publication of this report.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place with the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with West Midlands Combined Authority and put into place by the LEP Board and Black Country Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and financial services at Dudley MBC have been consulted in the development of this change request report.

Background papers

Copies of the following supporting documentation can be provided on request:

- June 2020 LPIF Funding Sub Board paper;
- Narrowboat Way SI Change Request.

Attachments

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal
NATIONAL BROWNFIELD LAND INSTITUTE SEED FUNDING - CHANGE REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approves the expenditure for the National Brownfield Institute SEED Funding project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual National Brownfield Institute SEED Funding Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) iv.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the University of Wolverhampton** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the National Brownfield Institute SEED Funding Project with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 A change is required to re-profile the LEP funding for the NBI SEED Funding project. This involves slippage of the 2019-20 claimed expenditure into the 2020-21 financial year which will assist with the 2019-20 over programming. The change is requested by Programme Management Office to assist with the management of the 2019/20 Growth Deal programme.
- 3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£0	£500,000	£0	£500,000
Requested Re-Profile	£0	£0	£500,000	£500,000

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the grant re-profile change request as BCR is not affected.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement will be in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance Officers at Wolverhampton City Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

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Attachments

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

**Black Country Local Growth Deal
PHOENIX 10 PHASE 1 - CHANGE REQUEST**

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the expenditure for the Phoenix 10 Phase 1 project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Phoenix 10 Phase 1 Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) ix.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for Walsall Council** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Phoenix 10 Phase 1 project with delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 The project is currently in the process of finalising the contract with its contractor, once this process is completed, further expenditure will be incurred in 2020/21.
- 3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£1,222,042	£722,680	£0	£1,944,722
Requested Re-Profile	£1,222,042	£122,963	£599,717	£1,944,722

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the grant re-profile change request as BCR is not affected.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance officers at Walsall Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal
SANDWELL AQUATIC CENTRE INFRASTRUCTURE PHASE 1

Grant Agreement Approval

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the Sandwell Aquatic Infrastructure Phase 1 (SEPPL93) Project from within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 This project was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on 3 June 2020 via email, endorsed in principle by the Working Group on 11 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (minutes ref: 97/20) and ratified by the Working Group on 2 July 2020, and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to **proceed to a Grant Agreement with Sandwell Council** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Sandwell Aquatic Centre Infrastructure Phase 1 project with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 The applicant, Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council (SMBC), requests Grant Funding from the Black Country LEP to assist in the delivery of the Sandwell Aquatics Centre, the venue allocated to host the swimming and diving events of the 2022 Commonwealth Games being hosted by Birmingham and the wider West Midlands region. Londonderry Playing Fields have been identified as the site to accommodate the proposed aquatics

centre. Wates Construction has been appointed as the main contractor to deliver the scheme by January 2022.

3.2 The delivery of the highways works proposed is essential to the delivery of the Sandwell Aquatic Centre project. Without the completion of these works, Sandwell Council will not be able to achieve the aims and the outcomes attached to the delivery of what is an internationally significant project. The overall Aquatic Centre project will be funded through contributions from SMBC and Games Partners, as well as a grant support from Sports England and contributions from Sandwell Leisure Trust and the University of Wolverhampton.

3.3 Each piece of work is outlined below with the justification as to why these works are necessary:

Holly Lane / Manor Road Junction Improvements: The mini roundabout at the junction of Holly Lane and Manor Road will be upgraded to a signalised junction that will improve road safety, create safe pedestrian crossing points and provide cycle advanced stop lines for improved cycle safety.

Londonderry Lane / Manor Road Junction Improvements: The mini roundabout at the junction of Manor Road and Londonderry Lane will be upgraded to a signalised junction that will improve road safety, create safe pedestrian crossing points and provide cycle advanced stop lines for improved cycle safety.

Pedestrian crossing facilities at Holly Lane and St Paul's Road: A new signalised junction at Holly Lane and St Paul's Road to incorporate full pedestrian crossing facilities. This will also help with concerns raised previously by Councillors and residents around speed and pedestrian facilities on St Paul's Road. In addition to this, the crossing would have additional benefits of improving pedestrian routes and encourage a modal shift for Holly Lodge High School pupils.

Bristnall Hall Road Crossing: Install a double Zebra crossing with central refuge, widen footway and resurface carriageway as necessary.

Dog Kennel Lane Crossing: Install a Zebra Crossing and resurface footways with advanced signing, improving pedestrian access.

Londonderry Lane Crossing: Upgrade a Puffin crossing to Toucan crossing, install cycle path from Awefields Crescent and resurface footway. This will improve both pedestrian and cycle access.

3.4 Outputs to be delivered from the infrastructure works

Outputs to be delivered	2020/21
Resurfaced Road (Km)	0.5
Footway Improvements (Km)	1

- 3.5 In order to meet the ambitious deadlines for the final year of the programme, the applicant must enter into the Grant Agreement contract within 3 months of the Black Country Joint Committee decision.

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

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*For this project there has been no BCR calculation provided as this project includes a number of smaller local transport safety schemes, which would not ordinarily require a BCR in order to be delivered.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29th October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement will be in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with West Midlands Combined Authority and put into place by the LEP Board and Black Country Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance officers at Sandwell Council have been consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

Copies of the following supporting documents can be provided on request:

- June 2020 FSG GD Report v1.0;
- Sandwell Aquatic Infrastructure Phase 1 Initial Proposal.

Attachments

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal
SPRINGFIELD CAMPUS PHASE 1 INFRASTRUCTURE AND REMEDIATION - CHANGE
REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approves the expenditure for the Springfield Campus Phase 1 Infrastructure and Remediation project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Springfield Campus Phase 1 Infrastructure and Remediation Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) v.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the University of Wolverhampton** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Springfield Campus Phase 1 Infrastructure and Remediation Project delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 A change is required to re-profile the LEP funding for the Springfield Campus Phase 1 Infrastructure and Remediation Project. This involves slippage of the 2019-20 claimed expenditure into the 2020-21 financial year which will assist with the 2019-20 over programming. The change is requested by Programme Management Office to assist with the management of the 2019/20 Growth Deal programme.

3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£3,056,044	£1,363,956	£0	£4,420,000
Requested Re-Profile	£3,056,044	£0	£1,363,956	£4,420,000

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the grant re-profile change request as BCR is not affected.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance Officers at Wolverhampton City Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

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Project Change Request.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal
TRANSPORT MAJOR ROUTE NETWORK (MRN) DEVELOPMENT FUNDING - CHANGE
REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approves the expenditure for the Transport Major Route Network (MRN) Development Funding project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Transport Major Route Network (MRN) Development Funding Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) x.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the Wolverhampton City Council** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Transport Major Route Network (MRN) Development Funding Project with delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 The project has entered into all required contracts to deliver the necessary work packages. However, to allow time for work to be undertaken, invoiced, and for payments to be made to contractors, the project has requested slippage of funding into 2020/21 financial year.

3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£0	£250,000	£0	£250,000
Requested Re-Profile	£0	£80,600	£169,400	£250,000

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the grant re-profile change request as BCR is not affected.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance officers at Wolverhampton City Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal
ULTRA LOW EMISSION VEHICLES TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT FUNDING - CHANGE
REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approves the expenditure for the Ultra Low Emission Vehicles Transport Development Funding project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Ultra Low Emission Vehicles Transport Development Funding Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) xi.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the Wolverhampton City Council** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Ultra Low Emission Vehicles Transport Development Funding Project with delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 The project experienced delays in the approvals process and execution of the grant agreement, which delayed the onset of works outlined in the initial proposal. This in turn impacted on the delivery timeframes of the programmed milestones.
- 3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£0	£130,000	£0	£130,000
Requested Re-Profile	£0	£25,320	£104,680	£130,000

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the funds re-profile change request.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

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7. RISK MANAGEMENT

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8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

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9. CONSULTATION

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

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

Key Decision:	Yes
Forward Plan:	Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the expenditure for the Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail and Autonomous Technologies – Test Track project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail and Autonomous Technologies – Test Track project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) vii.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the 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 continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 The project requested the reprofile of the grant profiled in 2019/20 to be slipped into 2020/21. This is in line with the projects current cashflow.

3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£0	£4,379,534	£0	£4,379,534
Requested Re-Profile	£0	£0	£3,900,114	£3,900,114*

*Note: Change Request in relation to an amendment of the associated fees for the project has been considered and approved at the Special Black Country Executive Joint Committee on 20 May 2020 (Decision 20/0008).

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the funds re-profile change request.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance Officers at Dudley Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

Copies of the following supporting documents can be provided on request:

Project Change Request.

Attachments

None.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Black Country Local Growth Deal
GROWING THE CITY CENTRE, CULTURAL AND BUSINESS EVENTS OFFER -
CHANGE REQUEST

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) to approve the outputs forecast for the Growing the City Centre Cultural and Business Events (known as Civic Halls) project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 Project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual Growing the City Centre Cultural and Business Events project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 17 June 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 22 June 2020 (Minutes Ref: 83/20 c) xii.), endorsed by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and endorsed by the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to **proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Growing the City Centre Cultural and Business Events project with delivery to continue in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 Due to delays with the opening of the Civic Halls, the applicant has requested to re-profile output achievement date and to reduce the Learner Assists output target.

3.2 The ask is to reduce the outputs target as follows:

Output	Jobs	Apprenticeships	Business Assists	Learner Assists
Current Profile	67	13	85	2,730
Requested Re-Profile	67	13	85	1,500

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance Officers at Wolverhampton City Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

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Project Change Request.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

**Black Country Local Growth Deal
SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT - CHANGE REQUEST**

Amendment to Existing Grant Agreement

Key Decision: Yes
Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approves the expenditure for the School of Architecture and Built Environment project in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 The project change request has been considered as part of the year-end changes report and was endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

The individual School of Architecture and Built Environment Project Change Request was further noted at the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 1 July 2020, endorsed subject to LEP Board approval by the Working Group on 2 July 2020 and the Advisory Board on 9 July 2020 and approved by the LEP Board on 13 July 2020 (Decision Ref: 105/20). The decision was then ratified by the Working Group on 15 July 2020 via email, and ratified by the Advisory Board on 16 July 2020 via email.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Joint Committee approves the **changes to the grant profile for the University of Wolverhampton** to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the School of Architecture and Built Environment Project with delivery to commence in the 2020/21 financial year.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 A change is required to re-profile the LEP funding for the School of Architecture and Built Environment (SOABE) Project. This involves slippage of the 2019-20 claimed expenditure into the 2020-21 financial year which will assist with the 2019-20 over programming. The change is requested by Programme Management Office to assist with the 2019-20 Growth Deal programme over programming.
- 3.2 The ask is to re-profile the grant in-year allocation as follows:

Funding Source	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Total
Current Profile	£1,168,947	£2,351,053	£0	£3,520,000
Requested Re-Profile	£1,168,947	£1,431,165	£919,888	£3,520,000

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Not applicable for the grant re-profile change request as BCR is not affected.

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and Finance officers at Wolverhampton City Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

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REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE HEADS OF REGENERATION WORKING GROUP

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

DELEGATED AUTHORITY DECISION FOR NOTING

**BLACK COUNTRY LOCAL GROWTH DEAL
HATHERTON STREET PHASE 2 CHANGE REQUEST (SEPPL88)**

Key Decision:	Yes
Forward Plan:	No

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The Executive Director for Economy and Environment (Walsall Council) has been awarded Delegated Authority under the Local Growth Deal Programme in order to deploy a year-end Change Control process to approve changes up to a maximum of 15% of individual grant value or up to £500,000 whichever is lower. This enables an agile response and assists in the management of cashflow changes at year-end, and prevent delays in making grant payments.
- 1.2 The Delegation to deploy a year-end Change Control process is subject to consultation with the Chief Executive of the Black Country Consortium, the Single Accountable Body Section 151 Officer, the Chair of the Black Country Executive Joint Committee, and the Sponsoring Working Group Member. This report sets out changes to a project grant award profile which has been approved by the Executive Director under his Delegated Authority.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee note that the Executive Director for Economy and Environment within Walsall Council in his role of the Chair of the Working Group has used his Delegated Authority to proceed to amending the existing Grant Agreement with **Jessup Brothers Ltd to reprofile the grant award**, to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the **Hatherton Street Phase 2 Project** - with delivery to continue in the

2020/21 financial year. Approval of this change was achieved by the BC LEP Board on 15th May 2020 (Ref No: 69/20).

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 The Joint Committee approved on the 17th June 2015 the delegation of authority to the Executive Director for Economy and Environment within Walsall Council in his role as the Chair of the Working Group. On the 19th April 2017 the Joint Committee approved an increase in the authority, delegated to approve changes in grant allocation at year-end only, from 10% to 15% of the total project value; on the 24th June 2020 the Joint Committee approved a financial limit on individual year-end change requests to the value up to £500,000, in addition to the existing limit of up to 15% of the total project value (or whichever is lower). It was agreed that the year-end changes delegation would be in consultation with the Chief Executive of the Black Country Consortium, the Single Accountable Body Section 151 Officer, the Chair of the Black Country Executive Joint Committee, and the Sponsoring Working Group Member (the Head of Regeneration for the appropriate geographical area/s). The approved delegations of authority to the Executive Director for Economy and Environment within Walsall Council in his role as the Chair of the Working Group are:

3.1.1 Deploy an in year Change Control process (all grant changes excluding year-end) to approve changes up to a maximum of 10% of individual grant value or up to £300,000 whichever is lower;

3.1.2 Deploy a year-end Change Control process to approve changes up to a maximum of 15% of individual grant value or up to £500,000 whichever is lower;

3.1.3 Approve an immaterial change to the grantee or an administrative error within a report recommendation;

3.1.4 Bring forward new smaller projects up to 10% of the total Delegated Authority award for a financial year.

3.2 Provided below is a summary of the Jessup Brothers Ltd Hatherton Street Phase 2 Project year-end grant award reprofile request, following approval under Delegated Authority:

3.2.1 Approval of a year- end change request to carry forward underspent grant award funding from 2019/20 into 2020/21, due to delays in project activity. This has been partially due to weather conditions delaying construction works and more recently the impact of COVID -19.

3.2.2 The year-end change request, as part of the Year-End paper on the 'Changes to the Local Growth Fund Programme' requesting to carry forward £239,967 was due to be considered at the Black Country Joint Committee meeting on 24 June 2020 for approval, the report was deferred and a standalone project year-end change request is due to be considered at the 29th July 2020 meeting.

Original Grant Award Profile:

Name of Grantee: Jessup Brothers Ltd	2018/19 (£m)	2019/20 (£m)	2020/21 (£m)	LGF Total (£m)
(SEPPL88): Hatherton Street Phase 2	0	£799,819	0	£799,819

Requested Grant Award Re-Profile:

Name of Grantee: Jessup Brothers Ltd	2018/19 (£m)	2019/20 (£m)	2020/21 (£m)	LGF Total (£m)
(SEPPL88): Hatherton Street Phase 2 - Project Change Request	£0	£384,611	£239,967	£624,578*
Delegated Authority (approved)			£97,500	
Project Change Request Balance after DA (to be considered at the July's BCJC)			£142,466	
Total			£239,967	

*The project reported that full amount of awarded grant will not be required with the request to carried forward £239,967 only.

3.2.3 The Delegation request is to allow the release of £97,500 (out of £239,967), which represents 12.19% of the total project Grant Award, to the applicant prior to the Black Country Joint Committee decision, enabling the project to continue with planned works and fully utilise spend.

3.2.4 The LEP Board approved this year-end grant award reprofile request on 15th May 2020 (Ref No: 69/20).

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The costs associated with the delivery of projects that form part of the LGF will be covered by allocations from Government associated with this programme. This includes the use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on the 29th October 2014.

4.2 The use of Delegated Authority by the Chair of the Working Group is designed to reduce potential underspend of LGF grant and provide an agile response to under-utilisation of grant.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk is being managed through the on-going assessment of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

8. CONSULTATION

- 8.1 The LEP Board have approved Jessup Brothers Ltd Hatherton Street Phase 2 project year-end grant award reprofile request.
- 8.2 The Chief Executive of the Black Country Consortium, the Single Accountable Body Section 151 Officer, the Chair of the Black Country Executive Joint Committee, and the Sponsoring Working Group Member have all been consulted in line with the agreed process for use of Delegated Authority.

Background Papers

- Hatherton Street Phase 2 Project Change Request – Request for Use of Delegated Authority;
- Delegation of Authority to the Chair of the City Deal and Growth Deal Working Group – *Joint Committee Paper 17th June 2015*;
- Changes to Delegations from the Joint Committee to the Chair of the Working Group – *Joint Committee Paper 19th April 2017*;
- Black Country LEP Assurance Framework Change Control and Delegated Authority – *Joint Committee Paper 24th June 2020*.

Attachments

None.

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REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE HEADS OF REGENERATION WORKING GROUP

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

DELEGATED AUTHORITY DECISION FOR NOTING

BLACK COUNTRY LOCAL GROWTH DEAL WOODS LANE PHASE 2 CHANGE REQUEST (SEPPL103)

Key Decision:	Yes
Forward Plan:	No

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The Executive Director for Economy and Environment (Walsall Council) has been awarded Delegated Authority under the Local Growth Deal Programme in order to deploy a year-end Change Control process to approve changes up to a maximum of 15% of individual grant value or up to £500,000 whichever is lower. This enables an agile response and assists in the management of cashflow changes at year-end, and prevent delays in making grant payments.
- 1.2 The Delegation to deploy a year-end Change Control process is subject to consultation with the Chief Executive of the Black Country Consortium, the Single Accountable Body Section 151 Officer, the Chair of the Black Country Executive Joint Committee, and the Sponsoring Working Group Member. This report sets out changes to a project grant award profile which has been approved by the Executive Director under his Delegated Authority.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee note that the Executive Director for Economy and Environment within Walsall Council in his role of the Chair of the Working Group has used his Delegated Authority to proceed to amending the existing Grant Agreement with **Vistry Partnerships Limited to reprofile the grant award**, to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the **Woods Lane Phase 2 Project** - with delivery to continue in the 2020/21

financial year. Approval of this change was achieved by the BC LEP Board on 15th May 2020 (Ref No: 69/20).

3. REPORT DETAIL

3.1 The Joint Committee approved on the 17th June 2015 the delegation of authority to the Executive Director for Economy and Environment within Walsall Council in his role as the Chair of the Working Group. On the 19th April 2017 the Joint Committee approved an increase in the authority, delegated to approve changes in grant allocation at year-end only, from 10% to 15% of the total project value; on the 24th June 2020 the Joint Committee approved a financial limit on individual year-end change requests to the value up to £500,000, in addition to the existing limit of up to 15% of the total project lifetime value (or whichever is lower). It was agreed that the year-end changes delegation would be in consultation with the Chief Executive of the Black Country Consortium, the Single Accountable Body Section 151 Officer, the Chair of the Black Country Executive Joint Committee, and the Sponsoring Working Group Member (the Head of Regeneration for the appropriate geographical area/s). The approved delegations of authority to the Executive Director for Economy and Environment within Walsall Council in his role as the Chair of the Working Group are:

3.1.1 Deploy an in year Change Control process (all grant changes excluding year-end) to approve changes up to a maximum of 10% of individual grant value or up to £300,000 whichever is lower;

3.1.2 Deploy a year-end Change Control process to approve changes up to a maximum of 15% of individual grant value or up to £500,000 whichever is lower;

3.1.3 Approve an immaterial change to the grantee or an administrative error within a report recommendation;

3.1.4 Bring forward new smaller projects up to 10% of the total Delegated Authority award for a financial year.

3.2 Provided below is a summary of the Vistry Partnerships Limited Woods Lane Phase 2 Project year-end grant award reprofile request, following approval under Delegated Authority:

3.2.1 Approval of a year- end change request to carry forward underspent grant award funding from 2019/20 into 2020/21, due to delays in project activity. This has been partially due to adverse weather conditions over the winter period and more recently due to the impact of COVID -19.

3.2.2 The year-end change request, as part of the Year-End paper on the 'Changes to the Local Growth Fund Programme' requesting to carry forward £127,379 was due to be considered at the Black Country Joint Committee meeting on 24th June 2020 for approval, but has been deferred to 29th July 2020 meeting.

Original Grant Award profile:

Name of Grantee: Galliford Try Partnership Limited	2018/19 (£m)	2019/20 (£m)	2020/21 (£m)	LGF Total (£m)
(SEPPL103): Woods Land Phase 2	0	£1,698,000	0	£1,698,000

Requested Grant Award Re-Profile:

Name of Grantee: Galliford Try Partnership Limited	2018/19 (£m)	2019/20 (£m)	2020/21 (£m)	LGF Total (£m)
(SEPPL103): Woods Land Phase 2	0	£1,570,621	£127,379	£1,698,000

3.2.3 The Delegation request is to allow the release of £102,247 funding to the applicant prior to the June's Black Country Joint Committee decision, enabling the project to continue with planned works; with a further Delegation request to allow the release of remaining of £25,131 funding in 2020/21 financial year prior to the July's Black Country Joint Committee decision, in order provide an agile response to under-utilisation of grant due to delays in obtaining Black Country Executive Joint Committee grant award reprofile approval. The total Delegated Authority Approval request represents 7.05% of the total lifetime grant approved.

3.2.4 The LEP Board approved this year-end grant award reprofile request on 15th May 2020 (Ref No: 69/20).

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The costs associated with the delivery of projects that form part of the LGF will be covered by allocations from Government associated with this programme. This includes the use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on the 29th October 2014.

4.2 The use of Delegated Authority by the Chair of the Working Group is designed to reduce potential underspend of LGF grant and provide an agile response to under-utilisation of grant.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreement is in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk is being managed through the on-going assessment of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

8. CONSULTATION

- 8.1 The LEP Board have approved Vistry Partnerships Limited Woods Lane Phase 2 project year-end grant award reprofile request.
- 8.2 The Chief Executive of the Black Country Consortium, the Single Accountable Body Section 151 Officer, the Chair of the Black Country Executive Joint Committee, and the Sponsoring Working Group Member have all been consulted in line with the agreed process for use of Delegated Authority.

Background Papers

- Woods Lane Phase 2 Project Change Request – Request for Use of Delegated Authority;
- Delegation of Authority to the Chair of the City Deal and Growth Deal Working Group – *Joint Committee Paper 17th June 2015*;
- Changes to Delegations from the Joint Committee to the Chair of the Working Group – *Joint Committee Paper 19th April 2017*;
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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ADVISORY BOARD

TO

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE

ON

29 JULY 2020

Local Growth Deal

LOCAL GROWTH DEAL PROGRAMME - APPROVAL OF THE 2019/20 YEAR END SPEND

Approval of the 2019/20 LGF Year End Spend

Key Decision: Yes

Forward Plan: Yes

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To request that the Black Country Executive Joint Committee (BCJC) approve the expenditure and output profiles for the Growth Deal projects in line with 2019/20 year-end project claims and proposed change requests within the Growth Deal Programme.
- 1.2 These year-end changes were endorsed by the LEP Funding Sub Group on the 6 May 2020, approved by the LEP Board on 18 May 2020 (Decision Ref: 69/20) and endorsed by the Working Group via email on 25 May 2020. The request was considered at the Advisory Board meeting on 8 June 2020, as the vote was not quorate, the year end changes were further considered and endorsed via email on 11 June 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Joint Committee **approves of the current position of the Growth Deal Projects**, reflecting all changes to the Programme (Funding and Outputs) throughout the year and to maximise the 2019/2020 Growth Deal allocation expenditure for various changes, as detailed in Attachment 1 of the report.

3. REPORT DETAIL

- 3.1 The Local Growth Deal was awarded to the BC LEP and administered in 2015. Previous years have found to be successful with regards to financial achievement and output delivery. The Programme has specific targets to achieve investing in Commercial, Residential and Transport schemes and currently the overall Programme is fully

committed as we are now in the final year of the Local Growth Deal. This report, however, focuses on the 2019/20 financial year and the respective project investments.

- 3.2 Following the closure of the 2019/20 financial year, successful Programme management conducted by the PMO and Accountable Body has resulted in the Programme achieving the 2019/20 annual spend target and therefore a number of change requests have been submitted for LEP and Joint Committee's approval. These include slippage of funding into 2020/21 due to an over-commitment in 2019/20 and in some cases, a reduction in the overall funding amount due to project cost savings. The project expenditure and output profiles have been closely monitored by the PMO and the Single Accountable Body over the course of the Programme. This has informed the PMO's Growth Deal Dashboards as well as the Single Accountable Body's claims and committed expenditure forecasts which have continued to be presented at monthly board meetings, to inform the latest forecast as well as the over/under utilisation of Grant Funding.

The report details the current position of all Growth Deal Projects, reflecting all changes to the Programme (Funding and Outputs) some of which have been considered and approved by the LEP Board and Joint Committee throughout the year, and are included in attachment 1.

- 3.3 The final year position for LEP Board and Joint Committee approved projects is profiled below. The spend target for 2019/20 has been achieved with the final figure being finalised at £24.10m.

2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	TOTAL
£29,950,000	£46,301,957	£31,384,296	£19,527,429	£24,106,468	£58,237,684	£209,507,832

- 3.4 As the Programme is now in its final year, the Accountable Body and the PMO are continuing to work through any potential project risks that could impact the Programme completing on time, the deadline being 31 March 2021. Due to the recent pandemic of COVID-19, a number of projects have raised concern regarding their allocated expenditure for 2020/21. The PMO and Accountable Body are working closely to identify those projects which could potentially be affected. However, Central Government have advised that there will be no general extension to the Local Growth Deal and any project extensions will need to be reviewed on a case by case basis.
- 3.5 Transport remains the largest risk within the programme, with the spend vs allocated funding closely monitored to date. A number of development and access projects are nearing completion and are expected to close in the coming months. Any unallocated transport funds have been reduced and assigned to a number of smaller schemes. Major schemes such as M6 Junction 10 have now started initial works on site. Birchley Island has been approved via a phased approach to ensure spend is allocated and claimed by March 2021.
- 3.6 Output targets are tabled below with the current forecast and actual figures delivered to date. Jobs Created and Learner Assist numbers continue to exceed the projected target, with the Apprenticeship figures having been included in the Jobs Created total. Delivery

of high quality Commercial Floorspace has been successful to date through the Local Growth Deal fund, again targets are expected to be over-achieved. Business Assist numbers are relatively low compared to other outputs; work is on-going to drive forward improvement on these figures. If there are any COVID-19 related delays regarding outputs, this will be analysed by the PMO and Accountable Body and supported where possible.

	Jobs Created	Housing completed	Business Assists	Learner Assists	Commercial Floorspace
Target	6,384	2,536	3,200	8,984	39,244
Direct Forecast Outputs (see attachment)	9,114	1,617	3,537	14,572	124,139
Indirect Forecast Outputs	986	1,220	17	0	52,915
Total Forecast Outputs	<u>10,100</u>	<u>2,834</u>	<u>3,554</u>	<u>14,572</u>	<u>177,054</u>
Actual to Date	4,780	741	558	6,065	62,342

**Includes direct and indirect outputs as well as outputs until 2025*

**Outputs are subject to validation by the Accountable Body*

- 3.7 The BC LEP has been supportive of private and public sector applicants coming forward for Site Investigation funding and the majority of funded Site Investigations were complete before the end of the 2019/20. Site Investigations and development funded projects are at present undergoing capital eligibility analysis by the Single Accountable Body and Local Authorities. Where project funding cannot be capitalised, the Single Accountable Body is looking at other funding options, materiality and potential repayment of grants.
- 3.8 A number of skills capital projects have been funded through the Local Growth Fund and have been successful in their project delivery as well as providing a high-quality educational offering to the region. Most skills projects have spent their grant award and are currently monitoring the outputs. School of Architecture and Built Environment (SOABE) are nearing completion of build with an expectation to have their first intake of students in September 2020.

4. BENEFIT COST RATIO (VALUE FOR MONEY)

Benefit-cost ratios (BCRs) are utilised in capital budgeting to analyse the overall value for money of undertaking a new project. It is an indicator showing the relationship between the relative costs and benefits of a proposed project, expressed in monetary or qualitative terms. For the purposes of BC LEP funding, the Economic Intelligence Unit has developed the formula, deployed by the Programme Management office, to identify the BCR for a project requiring public sector funding. The threshold for any project that has been assessed, is 1.5 and would be considered 'good value for money' should this threshold be exceeded. The BCR calculation however does not take into consideration the Strategic fit and proposition of a project.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All the costs associated with this proposal form part of the LGF Programme and will be covered by allocations from the government with this programme. This includes use of any interest accrued by the Accountable Body to cover costs associated with the delivery of Accountable Body functions, as approved by its (Walsall Council) Cabinet on 29 October 2014.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriate Grant Agreements are in place and will be utilised by the Accountable Body (Walsall Council), and include all conditions passed onto the LEP by Government, together with all terms, conditions, performance measures and sanctions as required by the approvals/conditions received from Government or approved by the LEP Board or the Joint Committee.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk will be managed through the on-going monitoring of individual projects and their ability to deliver the required spending profiles and outcomes for the programme as required or agreed with Government and set into place by the LEP Board and the Joint Committee.

8. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None at the time of drafting.

9. CONSULTATION

Legal and finance officers at Walsall Council were consulted as part of the development of this report.

Background papers

None.

Attachments

1. Growth Deal Project Outputs and Grant Allocations.

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GROWTH DEAL PROJECTS		Outputs					Expenditure							
		Jobs	Apprentice ships	Houses	BA	LA	Comm Floor space (SqM)	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	TOTAL
LGF														
Accessing Growth - Bilston Urban Village	Reported							726,627	2,168,661					2,895,288
Accessing Growth - Junction & Highway Improvements (Canal Side)	Reported							630,000						630,000
Accessing Growth - J10 Resilience Package	Reported							94,519	1,235,176					1,329,695
Accessing Growth - Coach Station	Reported							387,673	90,000					477,673
Accessing Growth - Wednesbury to Brierley Hill Metro	Reported								400,000	130,000	100,000			630,000
Accessing Growth -Compton Park Improved Connectivity	Reported							149,352						149,352
Accessing Growth - Springfield Campus InterChange Connectivity	Reported								600,000					600,000
Accessing Growth - A454 Willenhall Road	Reported								158,800	26,517				185,317
Accessing Growth - A449 Stafford Road	Reported								101,011	13,336				114,347
Accessing Growth - A459 Dudley Rd/Coombs Rd Halesowen	Reported								259,291	280,709				540,000
Accessing Growth -Pinfold Bridge, Wednesfield Road	Reported								674,568					674,568
Accessing Growth - Himley Road	Reported									78,500				78,500
Accessing Growth - Salters Road	Reported									768,340	618,604			1,386,944
Accessing Growth M6 J10	Reported									218,835				218,835
Accessing Growth - Westlink Development	Reported									54,461	100,539			155,000
Accessing Growth - Springfield Campus Ph 2	Reported										396,863	153,137		550,000
	Change										396,863	135,432		532,295
Accessing Growth - City North & East Gateway - Major Scheme Dev	Reported									200,000	214,510	5,490		420,000
	Change									200,000	214,510	5,489		419,999
Accessing Growth - Walsall Economic Growth & Infrastructure Package	Reported										912,652	5,348		918,000
	Change										912,652	3,695		916,347
Accessing Growth - Unallocated	Reported											846,482		846,482
	Change											0		0
Advance Science, Engineering & Technology Centre	Reported	20	530		155	965	4067	1,059,000						1,059,000
Bilston Urban Village	Reported	22		498			771	2,750,000	2,087,599					4,837,599
Dudley Advance Construction (CABTech)	Reported	315	725		1170	2,600	200	2,028,108	5,851,892					7,880,000
Elite Centre Feasibility Study	Reported							170,000						170,000
Elite Centre for Manufacturing Skills	Reported	67	412		365	0			1,751,940	5,972,164	773,832	48,464		8,546,400
	Change	67	412		365				1,751,940	5,972,164	773,832	-941,717		7,556,219
FAB Kit Programme	Reported	8	685		345	1,336	60	316,088						316,088
Goscote Lane Corridor Development Programme	Reported		12	741	0	0		1,700,000	2,808,000	4,312,000				8,820,000
Growing Priority Sectors	Reported	800	45		48	14	13041	1,493,383	1,335,344	1,669,415	3,155,352	574,771		8,228,265
	Change	800	45		48	14	5796	1,493,383	1,335,344	1,669,415	3,155,352	530,163		8,183,656
Growing the City Centre Cultural and Business Event Offer	Reported	67	13		85	2,730		1,876,699	2,301,021	1,234,681				5,412,401
	Change	67	13		85	1,500		1,876,699	2,301,021	1,234,681				5,412,401
M6 Junction 10 LGF & Dft funds	Reported							650,000	350,000	120,000	0	5,062,348	23,467,652	29,650,000
Major Transport Scheme	Reported										690,409		6,929,591	7,620,000
Managing Short Trips	Reported							2,430,009	3,860,836					6,290,845
Science, Technology & Prototyping Centre	Reported	122						1,296,594	3,583,406					4,880,000
Wolverhampton InterChange - Commercial Gateway Phase 2 (LGF)	Reported	408					36684	4,500,000		3,500,000				8,000,000
Woods Lane	Reported			0	1			548,991	2,528,718	984,621	268,341	24,401		4,355,072
	Change				1			548,991	2,528,718	984,621	268,341	13,115		4,343,787
Ruskin Mill Glasshouse Phase 3	Reported	12	0		15	201	274	160,026						160,026
Walsall Waterfront	Reported							31,638	100,771	14,965				147,374
Dudley Town Centre - Buildings & Sites Improvements Programme	Reported	1		67	9		358	169,558	285,442					455,000

GROWTH DEAL PROJECTS		Outputs					Expenditure							
		Jobs	Apprenticeships	Houses	BA	LA	Comm Floor space (Sqm)	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	TOTAL
City of Wolverhampton College Relocation - Development Funding	Reported							310,000						310,000
Walsall College - Improving Engineering Capacity & IT Academy	Reported		247			1,259		354,895						354,895
UoW Apprenticeship Hub	Reported		715					150,000	50,000					200,000
Music Institute Development Study	Reported							80,000	69,997					149,997
Very Light Rail Development Study	Reported							150,000	150,000					300,000
Airfield Drive	Reported					5119				370,993				370,993
Halesowen College - Access Centre for HE	Reported		10		0	515			700,000					700,000
Dudley College - Specialist Equipment for HVM Sector	Reported		215			0			104,400					104,400
Dudley Brownfield Land Ph 1	Reported			202					986,748	716,464	414,977	311,802		2,429,991
	Change			202					986,748	716,464	414,977	311,766		2,429,955
Pensnett Estate Extension Development	Reported					20061.5			1,477,368					1,477,368
Walsall College - Additional Engineering Equipment	Reported		200			365			149,250					149,250
Dudley College - Construction Apprenticeship Training Centre	Reported	0	200			415			507,247	92,753				600,000
VLR - Test Track and Innovation Centre - SEED funding	Reported								637,814	198,914				836,728
Managing Short Trips Tranche 2	Reported									2,024,655	2,161,122	653		4,186,429
203/204 Wolverhampton Street	Reported					342				145,947				145,947
City North Gateway Phase 1 M54 Jct 2 to Springfield Lane	Reported									2,319,080	1,031,920			3,351,000
Advanced Manufacturing Training Centre	Reported	19	390		70	1000	929			722,999				722,999
Walsall College Digital, Constuction & Engineering Expansion	Reported		532			442				500,832	483,168			984,000
i9 (BLOCK 9) Wolverhampton	Reported					4436				0	936,214	3,061,453		3,997,667
	Change					4436				0	755,280	3,242,387		3,997,667
Woods Lane Phase 2	Reported			105							1,698,000	0		1,698,000
	Change			105						0	1,570,621	127,379		1,698,000
Church Square Appartments	Reported			4						123,121				123,121
i54 Western Extension - Access Package (LTB & Accessing Growth)	Reported									230,373	4,269,627	500,000		5,000,000
Halesowen College - Business & Construction Management Centre	Reported		275		10	325				176,565	3,535,535	2,220,000		5,932,100
	Change		275		10	325				176,565	2,895,209	2,860,326		5,932,100
Hatherton Street Phase 2	Reported					1526					799,819	0		799,819
	Change					1526					384,611	239,967		624,578
The Leather Industry	Reported	9								450,000				450,000
Phoenix 10	Reported									1,222,042	722,680	0		1,944,722
	Change									1,222,042	122,963	599,717		1,944,722
Home to Hub & Test Innovation Development funding	Reported									838,826	306,921	0	0	1,145,747
SOABE (School of Architech & Built Environment)	Reported	28	175		108	255	7981			1,168,947	2,351,053	0		3,520,000
	Change	28	175		108	255	7981			1,168,947	1,431,165	919,888		3,520,000
Springfield Phase 1	Reported									3,056,044	1,363,956	0		4,420,000
	Change									3,056,044	0	1,363,956		4,420,000
National Brownfield Institute	Reported									0	500,000	0		500,000
	Change									0	0	500,000		500,000
Black Country Living Museum Forging Ahead Programme	Reported	58	19			308	12491				2,630,000	6,370,000		9,000,000
	Change	58	19			308	12491			0	1,075,586	7,924,414		9,000,000
Birchley Island Development Scheme	Reported										847,000	553,000		1,400,000
	Change									0	592,556	807,444		1,400,000
VLR - Test Track	Reported										4,379,534	0		4,379,534
	Change									0	0	3,900,114		3,900,114
Sandwell Aquatics	Reported	24				15400					5,000,000	0		5,000,000
IT Digital Skills	Reported	5	1600		1250	180					68,163	0		68,163
YMCA	Reported	86	44		14	1662	756					941,000		941,000
i54 Western Extension	Reported											2,500,000		2,500,000

GROWTH DEAL PROJECTS		Outputs						Expenditure						
		Jobs	Apprentice ships	Houses	BA	LA	Comm Floor space (SqM)	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	TOTAL
SITE INVESTIGATION														
Popes Lane - Site Investigation	Reported							54,290						54,290
Pensett Estate Extension - Site Investigation	Reported							41,165						41,165
Parkrose industrial Estate - Site Investigation	Reported							53,994	19,170					73,164
Challenge Block - Site Investigation	Reported								0	21,092	19,908			41,000
Moxley Tip - Site Investigation	Reported								88,600	23,298				111,898
Shidas Lagoon - Site Investigation	Reported									990	77,528	38,201		116,719
Bourne Street - Site Investigation	Reported								63,565					63,565
Wharf Approach - Site Investigation	Reported										25,714			25,714
Bull Street - Site Investigation	Reported								34,761	0				34,761
Black Country Living Museum Forging Ahead Programme - Site Inv	Reported								20,148	3,821				23,969
Former Reedswood Golf Course - Site Investigation	Reported									9,330				9,330
Music Institute and Student Accommodation - Site investigation	Reported								32,579					32,579
City Learning Quarter - Site Investigation	Reported										120,000	88,025		208,025
	Change										120,000	0	345,725	465,725
Former Willenhall ST Works - Site Investigation	Reported									43,278	56,980			100,258
Springfield Campus Remediation - Site Investigation	Reported									83,195				83,195
University College Dudley	Reported										38,937	23,154		62,091
Sandwell Residential - Site investigation	Reported										44,808			44,808
Holloway Street, Gornal - Site investigation	Reported									43,235				43,235
Bilston Urban Village East - Site investigation	Reported										58,225			58,225
LTB														
M6 Junction 10	Reported							99,863		200,000				299,863
Wolverhampton InterChange - Commercial Gateway Phase 2	Reported							4,367,751	4,632,249					9,000,000
Birchley Island M5 J2	Reported							100,000						100,000
A4104 Pensnett High Street	Reported								2,348,432	1,451,569				3,800,001
A4123 Development Works	Reported								30,000	66,228	15,888	37,884		150,000
	Change								30,000	66,228	15,888	31,709		143,826
Dudley Bus Station	Reported								157,677	42,323				200,000
Mill Lane Bridge GRIP Study & Aldridge Line Aqueduct GRIP 3 Study	Reported									120,000	95,750	81,750	0	297,500
	Change									120,000	95,750	0	81,750	297,500
Wolverhampton to Willenhall Metro Extension - Dev funding	Reported									150,000	10,550			160,550
West Coast Mainline HS2 Study - Sandwell	Reported										40,000			40,000
West Coast Mainline HS2 Study - Walsall	Reported									40,000				40,000
A461 Corridor Improvements Phase 2 & 3	Reported									63,877	19,787			83,664
Bloxwich Mitigation Package	Reported									100,000				100,000
Birchley Island Transport Development Funding	Reported										150,000			150,000
Dudley Town Centre Infrastructure Improvements - Development Funding	Reported										62,948	87,052		150,000
Black Country Train Stations - Walsall	Reported										17,300	20,200		37,500
	Change										17,300	18,906	1,294	37,500
I54 Western Extension Transport Development Funding	Reported										63,213			63,213

GROWTH DEAL PROJECTS		Outputs						Expenditure						
		Jobs	Apprentice ships	Houses	BA	LA	Comm Floor space (SqM)	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	TOTAL
Sustainable Transport Scheme Development Funding	Reported										40,000			40,000
Transport Major Road Network	Reported											250,000	0	250,000
	Change											80,600	169,400	250,000
Ultra Low EV Transport Development Funding	Reported											130,000	0	130,000
	Change											25,320	104,680	130,000
LTB Unallocated Funds (Aldridge Station)	Reported											507,572		507,572
	Change											0		0
CAPITALISATION OF RESOURCE														
LEP Programme Management	Reported							263,049	300,572	196,110	135,239	181,000	181,000	1,256,970
	Change							263,049	300,572	196,110	135,239	153,202	181,000	1,229,172
LA Programme Work & Development - Dudley	Reported							142,889	249,866	248,754				641,509
LA Programme Work & Development - Sandwell	Reported							25,364	5,707	6,500				37,571
Joint Committee Expenditure - Walsall	Reported							126,223	195,661	175,000	230,372	175,000	175,000	1,077,256
	Change							126,223	195,661	175,000	230,372	175,000	275,000	1,177,256
LA Programme Work & Development - Walsall	Reported							69,995	250,000	250,000				569,995
LA Programme Work & Development - Wolverhampton	Reported							179,215	250,000	250,000				679,215
Black Country Transport expenditure - Wolverhampton	Reported							213,042	214,715	250,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	977,757
Programme Technical Advice - Property	Reported								42,955	21,303	40,216	80,806	120,000	305,280
Programme Technical Advice - Legal	Reported									14,388	7,765	5,793	35,000	62,946
TOTAL	Reported	2,071	7,044	1,617	3,645	14,572	124,497	£29,950,000	£46,301,957	£31,384,296	£19,527,429	37,940,913	47,153,696	£212,258,290
TOTAL	Change	2,071	7,044	1,617	3,645	13,342	117,252	£29,950,000	£46,301,957	£31,384,296	£19,527,429	24,106,467	58,237,684	£209,507,832
Growth Deal Commitment		6,384	2,536	3,200	8,984	39,244								
Variance to Contracted Outputs +Over/-Under		2,731	-919	445	4,358	78,008								