



**Cheshire and Warrington Local Enterprise Partnership  
Strategy Programme Board**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 9:00am

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**AGENDA**

<b>The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part A is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part B items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and in the report</b>	
<b>PART A – PUBLIC ITEMS</b>	
<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome, introductions and apologies</b>
09:00 – 09:05	<i>The Chairman will open the meeting and welcome attendees to the meeting of the Strategy Programme Board (Current apologies – Frank Jordan, Charlie Seward)</i>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>
09:05 – 09:10	<i>To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.</i>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Minutes of Strategy Committee Meeting held Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 and Matters Arising</b>
09:10– 09:20	<i>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 and to consider any matters arising (<b>Paper AI 3</b>)</i>
	<b>Matters Arising</b>
	<i>12<sup>th</sup> December</i>
	Cross border investment
	Digital Board – It was confirmed that the LEP is establishing a Digital Board which will provide governance and oversight to the Digital Strategy and Digital Infrastructure Plan.
	Science and Innovation – Further discussion required. The LEP is currently looking at options utilising a sector-based approach, with an initial focus on Life Sciences.



	<p><i>12<sup>th</sup> February</i></p> <p>Item 3 – Natural capital audit and investment plan. It was agreed that once some of the outstanding issues have been resolved, including the future use model, a presentation should be given to the main LEP Board.</p> <p>Item 6 – Business Case Development Fund</p> <p>Action: Philip Cox to discuss with Ian Brooks the scope for increasing the Fund allocation Action: Robert Mee and Philip Cox to discuss ideas for accelerating fund deployment.</p> <p>Item 7 – Recovery Plan</p> <p>It was confirmed that whilst focussed on the LEP at this stage, the final version of the plan will also aim to reflect key local authority priorities too and link to their recovery planning.</p> <p>Item 8 – Energy Priorities</p> <p>The activities outlined in the paper were supported, although there was a discussion over whether there should also be an explicit activity around housing retrofit and the domestic energy agenda.</p> <p>Charlie Seward informed Committee members that Metro Mayors Steve Rotherham and Andy Burnham were holding a press conference w/c 15th February on the subject of COP26 and have invited Cllr Gittins to join them.</p> <p>Item 9 – Freeports</p> <p>Philip Cox confirmed that the Liverpool City Region Freeport proposal was submitted on 5th February and includes Ellesmere Port as an ‘area of future opportunity’.</p>
<p><b>4.</b></p> <p><i>09:20 – 09:35</i></p>	<p><b>Public Speaking Time / Open Session</b></p> <p><i>A period of 15 minutes has been allocated for members of the public to address the meeting on any matter relevant to the work of the body in question. Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman or person presiding will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers.</i></p>
<p><b>5.</b></p> <p><i>09:35 – 9:50</i></p>	<p><b>The LEP Review</b></p> <p><i>To consider the terms and implications of the LEP Review and the subregion’s/C&amp;W LEP’s response. (Paper AI 5)</i></p>



<p><b>6.</b></p> <p>9:50 – 10:05</p>	<p><b>Business Case Development Fund Proposals</b></p> <p><i>To consider the recommendations of the LEP Director of Transport and Investment for allocating the 2021-22 Business Case Development Fund. (Paper AI 6)</i></p>
<p><b>7.</b></p> <p>10:05 – 10:25</p>	<p><b>Draft Recovery Strategy</b></p> <p><i>To consider the Draft Recovery Strategy for Cheshire and Warrington and discuss feedback from LEP Stakeholders on the proposals contained in the plan. (Paper AI 7)</i></p>
<p><b>8.</b></p> <p>10:25 – 10:30</p>	<p><b>2021-22 Strategy Programme Board Work Programme</b></p> <p><i>To consider the forward work programme for 2021-22. (Paper AI 8)</i></p>
<p><b>PART B – NON-PUBLIC ITEMS</b></p>	
<p><b>9.</b></p> <p>10:30 –</p>	<p><b>Part B – non-Public Items</b></p> <p>There are no non-Public items.</p>
<p><b>10.</b></p> <p>10:30 – 10:35</p>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p><i>To consider any items of other appropriate business including relevant Government Announcements.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Strategy Programme Board – new member induction</li> </ul> <p><i>Government Announcements</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Levelling Up White Paper announcement</i> <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-to-publish-levelling-up-white-paper">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-to-publish-levelling-up-white-paper</a></li> <li>- <i>Government Response to CCUS: market engagement on cluster sequencing consultation</i> <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-response-to-ccus-market-engagement-on-cluster-sequencing-consultation">Carbon capture, usage and storage: market engagement on cluster sequencing - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>11.</b></p> <p>10.35 – 10:40</p>	<p><b>Date, Time, Venue of next meeting and forward meeting schedule</b></p> <p>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021, 9:00am, Microsoft Teams (TBC)</p> <p>To confirm/amend the forward meeting schedule further to April’s meeting cancellation (due to pre-election period)</p>

**Meeting Schedule for 2021 (all at 9:00am – 11:00am)**

- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021 (if required)



- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021