

**TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY CABINET**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 10am**

Under the provisions of the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 this meeting took place via video link.

<b><u>ATTENDEES</u></b>	
<b><u>Members</u></b>	
Mayor Ben Houchen (Chair)	Tees Valley Mayor
Councillor Heather Scott OBE	Leader, Darlington Borough Council
Councillor Shane Moore	Leader, Hartlepool Borough Council
Councillor Bob Cook	Leader, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Mayor Andy Preston	Mayor of Middlesbrough
<b><u>Substitute Members</u></b>	
Councillor Karen King	Deputy Leader, Redcar and Cleveland Council
<b><u>Associate Members</u></b>	
David Soley	Vice Chair, Tees Valley Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)
Annabel Turpin	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Zoe Lewis	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Brenda McLeish	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Jerry Hopkinson	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Angela Howey	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Rachel Anderson	Member of Tees Valley LEP
<b><u>Apologies for Absence</u></b>	
Councillor Mary Lanigan	Leader, Redcar and Cleveland Council
Paul Booth	Chair, Tees Valley Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)
Graham Robb	Member of Tees Valley LEP
Professor Paul Croney	Member of Tees Valley LEP
<b><u>Officers and Others in Attendance</u></b>	
Julie Gilhespie	Chief Executive, Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA)
Andrew Nixon	Monitoring Officer, TVCA
Gary Macdonald	Group Director of Finance & Resources, TVCA
Peter Judge	Group Chief Legal Officer, TVCA
Laura Metcalfe	Governance Manager, TVCA
Sally Henry	Governance Officer, TVCA

John Sampson	Managing Director, Redcar and Cleveland Council
Ian Williams	Director of Economic Growth, Darlington Borough Council
Reuben Kench	Director, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
Tony Parkinson	Chief Executive, Middlesbrough Council

<b>TVCA 15/20</b>	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>  Apologies for absence were submitted as detailed above.
<b>TVCA 16/20</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>  Mayor Houchen declared an interest in agenda item 8, Acquisition of South Tees Site Company Limited by South Tees Development Corporation, as Chair of the South Tees Development Corporation Board.  Jerry Hopkinson, PD Ports, also declared an interest in agenda item 8, Acquisition of South Tees Site Company Limited by South Tees Development Corporation, as PD Ports in are discussions relating to a piece of land that is located within the South Tees Development Corporation area.
<b>TVCA 17/20</b>	<b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b>  RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held on 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2020 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.
<b>TVCA 18/20</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>  None
<b>TVCA 19/20</b>	<b>MAYOR'S UPDATE REPORT</b>  The Tees Valley Mayor placed on record his best wishes and hopes for a speedy recovery for Councillor Lanigan who was not in attendance due to ill health. He expressed his thanks to Councillor King for stepping in to attend the meeting. Councillor King shared Councillor Lanigan's thanks for the well wishes and flowers, and confirmed that Councillor Lanigan is doing well.  Mayor Houchen then introduced a report providing a general update on the key activities of the Mayor and Combined Authority since the last Cabinet meeting.  RESOLVED that Cabinet noted the report.
<b>TVCA 20/20</b>	<b>GOVERNANCE AND APPOINTMENTS</b>  Cabinet considered a report detailing various nominations to the Combined Authority Overview & Scrutiny Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee;</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an outstanding nomination from Hartlepool Borough Council to the Committee; and</li> <li>• Nominations for substitute members of the Committee.</li> </ul> <p>Also changes to Officers fulfilling Combined Authority Statutory Officer roles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring Officer; and</li> <li>• Data Protection Officer</li> </ul> <p>RESOLVED that Cabinet agreed the appointments detailed in the report.</p>
<p><b>TVCA 21/20</b></p>	<p><b>INVESTMENT PLAN DELIVERY REPORT Q1</b></p> <p>Members received an update on delivery of the Combined Authority ten-year investment plan in the period April-June 2020.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Cabinet noted the report.</p>
<p><b>TVCA 22/20</b></p>	<p><b>ACQUISITION OF SOUTH TEES SITE COMPANY LIMITED BY SOUTH TEES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION</b></p> <p>Cabinet considered a report detailing proposals regarding the acquisition of the South Tees Site Company by South Tees Development Corporation.</p> <p>Gary Macdonald, Group Director of Finance and Resources, provided a summary of the report.</p> <p>Mayor Houchen offered his thanks to the team at TVCA for their work on this matter. He requested that Cabinet Members direct businesses and residents to the Teesworks website to enable more local businesses and residents to access the opportunities available at the Teesworks site. Mayor Houchen added his thank to Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council and noted the planning application that has been submitted to their planning department relating to the site.</p> <p>Rachel Anderson, North East Chamber of Commerce, commented that the papers relating to this item are lengthy and she would have liked more time to read them. Mayor Houchen agreed that there is a lot of information however the decision is a culmination of 3 years work and is not being taken in isolation. He added he is certain that on reading the full paper, LEP Members will be pleased with the detail.</p> <p>Councillor Scott offered her congratulations to all involved for the progress made in a short period of time. She also noted the importance of Cabinet Members, as Leaders of Local Authorities, of sharing details of the opportunities available in their respective areas.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Cabinet agreed the following, subject to the business case submitted to Government being successful:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. the acceptance of funding from central Government;</li> <li>ii. the use of TVCA borrowing, within the appropriate Treasury Management limits set out at Appendix 1 and paragraphs 18-23;</li> </ol>

	iii. the use of the Tees Valley Assurance framework to manage the STDC programme arrangements.
<b>TVCA 23/20</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 10am.