

# Minutes

**Meeting Title:** St Ives Town Deal Board Meeting

**Date:** 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020

**Time:** 17:00 to 19:00

**Location:** Microsoft Teams

**Chaired by:** Sarah Stevens

**Attendees:** Members: Andrew Baragwaneth (AB), Libby Buckley (LB), Steve Cross (SC), Neil Davis (ND), Kirsty Kilmurry (KM), Gareth Jones (GJ), Ian McChesney (IM), Andrew Mitchell (AM), Poppy Naylor (PN), Sarah Stevens (SS), Rowena Swallow (RS), Linda Taylor (LT – arrived at 17:18)  
Officers: Beth Briggs (BB), Danielle Jackson (DJ – Metro Dynamics), Emily Kent (EK), Patrick White (PWh – Metro Dynamics), Phill Woods (PW)

**1. Apologies:** James Butterworth (JB), Tony Harris (TH – subs. Kirsty Kilmurry, KM), Vanessa Luckwell (VL), Derek Thomas (DT) MP

## Minutes

## Action

### 2. Declarations of Interest

- SC declared an interest in St Ives BID.

### 3 Minutes of the last meeting

- The minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020 were agreed as a true and accurate record.
- The minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2020 were agreed as a true and accurate record.
- The minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

### 4. Metro Dynamics

- **Check and Challenge feedback**
- It was noted that the presentation slides from this session had been uploaded to the SharePoint site.

- PWh reported that the feedback had been very positive, with Arup feeling that St Ives was telling a good story.
- It was noted that additional quotes, images and consultation feedback was still to be added.
- There was ongoing discussion around the level of project detail required at this stage.
- **Draft TIP**
- PWh noted that the latest version of the TIP included changes as a result of previous feedback and noted the areas where further work was required.
- PWh ran Members through the latest draft.
- PWh highlighted areas where Metro Dynamics would be seeking Board support in terms of working with applicants to add further detail to projects.
- The inclusion of doughnut economics was discussed. EK shared the version of the decision making wheel that Cornwall Council had implemented and noted that the intention was to run the TIP through this as part of the sign off process. PWh noted that wording would be included in the TIP to reflect this.
- Projects were then each considered in turn.
- Inclusion of the delegated fund was discussed, with PWh advising that further discussions would be had offline in order to confirm the details.
- ND raised the matter of the Guildhall and offered to take part in a working group to progress.
- **ACTION:** PWh, ND and VL to convene a working group to progress Guildhall discussions with applicant.
- The inclusion of a Community Worker was discussed, with concern over this as a revenue spend. SS clarified that this was proposed to be covered by the 10% revenue spend allowed, and would add value to the Penbeagle project cluster.
- PWh noted that the proposal around transport and connectivity was ongoing.
- PWh advised that revised project list/descriptions would be prepared by later that week.
- Members queried how applicants were being updated. SS advised that due to the fact that it was still necessary to appraise and revisit projects as the TIP took shape and suitability/deliverability were finalised, applicants were to be advised that their projects were still under consideration.
- SS raised the possibility of a 'town meeting' via Zoom to allow members of the public to ask questions of the Board.

## 5. Projects for draft TIP

- **Town Centre building acquisition**
- RS had been able to coordinate a preliminary report but it was noted that further reports/surveys would be required to get a clearer idea of costs.
- **ACTION:** SC to circulate report to Members.
- PWh advised that the Board would need to establish a legal entity in order to procure property and that it would also be important for the TIP to identify a project to use the space.
- It was agreed by the Board that the exploration of possibilities around the potential of this project continue, subject to more detailed reports being provided.
- **BID Pedestrianisation update**
- SC reiterated his interest in this item and left the meeting at 18:28.
- SS advised that a meeting with Cornwall Council had introduced the suggestion of installation of cameras rather than bollards.
- There was discussion around the merits of the scheme, with some Members concerned about the impact on residents. It was noted that exemptions could be applied for to allow access to residents and business owners.
- It was also noted that more detail would be required on the management of monitoring/enforcing the scheme.
- Members considered a white paper which was expected regarding town centre traffic management.
- There was discussion regarding the timing of this and that awaiting the white paper would not fit with the TIP submission timescale.
- SS sought a decision from the Board as to whether it was happy to authorise expenditure of £36k for a feasibility study for the scheme at this point.
- Members voting against the use of capacity funding to pay for the feasibility study.
- EK raised the idea of including an amount in the TIP around the ambition of pedestrianising the town centre, without detailing the solution at this point.
- PWh added that this could be included in the TIP as a marker, with options explored and secured in HoTs, when funding could also be explored.
- Members voted for the inclusion of pedestrianisation in the TIP as an aspiration.
- **Railway Station improvements**
- A report had been circulated with the agenda pack.
- SS noted that this project was previously scored on a different basis and the emphasis of the project had now shifted to improved services and

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public realm.

- Members agreed that this project should proceed to scoring.
- **Bay to Bay**
- Members noted that the previous scoring of this project had been based on limited information and further information was now forthcoming. Cornwall Council had also started the feasibility study which would be available in January.
- Members agreed that this project should be revisited based on the outcomes of the feasibility study.

#### 6. **Delegated Fund**

- LT advised that the proposed sum to be allocated for this fund was £1.5m.
- Focus should be on: digital connectivity to support 5G; remediation of dilapidated sites and upgrading of facilities to include sports, art, culture and increased shared spaces; support of enterprise and business to include SMEs in key sectors.
- Members agreed that CDC should commence with production of a proposal to be presented at the next meeting.

#### 7. **Capacity fund**

- PW advised that he would circulate a written update to Members, having had to leave the meeting prior to this item.
- **ACTION:** PW to circulate information.

#### 9. **Any other business**

- Members noted a communication received from Extinction Rebellion.
- It was noted that these were addressed to the individual rather than to the Board. Some Members had responded, and it was agreed that each Member should decide whether they wished to respond on an individual basis with a Board response not being appropriate.

#### 10. **Date of next meeting**

- 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021, 17:00 to 19:00
- **ACTION:** BB to circulate invite.

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