

Burton upon Trent Town Deal Board Minutes

Thursday 1st September 2022

Board Members Present

Ben Robinson	Chairman
John McKiernan (via Zoom)	Parish Council Representative
Cllr George Allen	East Staffordshire BC
Cllr Steve Sankey (via Zoom)	East Staffordshire BC
Dennis Fletcher	Parish Council Representative
Cllr Philip White	Staffordshire CC

In Attendance

Andy O'Brien	East Staffordshire BC
James Abbott	East Staffordshire BC
Thomas Deery	East Staffordshire BC
Wayne Mortiboys	Staffordshire CC
Monica Henchcliffe	East Staffordshire BC

Apologies

Cllr Bev Ashcroft	East Staffordshire BC
Shaid Hussain	Business and Community Representative
Cllr Victoria Wilson	Staffordshire CC
Lynne Howgate	Cooper Square Shopping Centre Business Representative
Nik Hardy	Burton Civic Society Member of Parliament
Mick Clifford	
Kate Kniveton	

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1	Welcome and Apologies	The Chairman welcomed the Board to the meeting and noted that apologies for absence had been received from Councillor B Ashcroft, Mick Clifford, Nik Hardy, Lynne Howgate, Shaid Hussain, Kate Kniveton and Victoria Wilson.		
2	Minutes of 26 th July 2022 Town Deal Board meeting and Matters Arising	The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as a correct record. There were no matters arising.		
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Fund Update 	TD reported that the Council had received the first tranche of funding from Government. As discussed at the last meeting there was 2.13m remaining from Project C and the unutilised funds from the Project E allocation -and it was agreed that the additional funds would be spread across the other four projects. All project managers have been contacted and each of	TD/JA	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Levelling Up Fund Update • UK Prosperity Fund Update 	<p>them has been asked to reprogram their projects to include the additional funding. It was envisaged that this may give them an opportunity to include any further outputs and outcomes due to the extra funding.</p> <p>He reported that it was hoped that <u>Project D</u>, the acquisition of Trent House, Town House, Bass House and the Bass Tower would be completed in the next few months, and the target to exchange contracts by the end of September, and take ownership of this part of the site by the end of the calendar year. The Council are in discussion with the Council's Planning department, particularly with the building that is to be demolished, and they are working with the Conservation Officer to provide design support and re-engaging with partners to move the project forward. They are also in talks with Staffordshire Wildlife Trust with regards to the visitors centre and the heritage centre. A meeting was scheduled to take place in the next couple of weeks with a possible leisure provider.</p> <p>He reported that the financial profile regarding the <u>Canal/Towpath</u> project had been confirmed and the Canals and Rivers Trust was confident that the project would be delivered during Spring and Autumn next year, the either side of summer. Additional signage and access improvements would be submitted with the new financial programme</p> <p>TD also reported that he has had discussions with Staffordshire County Council regarding the <u>Cycle route</u>, as they were experiencing pressure on the programme funding, so hopefully the additional funding would be of some aid to re-profile the project.</p> <p>He reported that there no details at present regarding the <u>College</u>, and the Council were anticipating that the project would be moved to next year with a view for the work being commenced in this financial year. He expected that an updated profile would be confirmed next week.</p> <p>It was agreed that TD/JA would provide a short report regarding the project governance to the next meeting of the Board meeting.</p> <p>TD reported that the submission of the LUF2 bid had taken place and was expecting a three month turnaround, so the Council should find out early November.</p> <p>TD reported that the UKSPF investment plan had been submitted to Government and it included regeneration in Uttoxeter and village areas and he was hoping that they would</p>		

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		know the outcome of the funding by early November.		
5	Date of Next Meeting	To be advised.		
6	Any Other Business	<p>Councillor Allen requested information on how the Board would change and look going forward.</p> <p>Philip White also enquired about how the three 'work streams' would be scrutinized and the responsibilities of the board.</p> <p>It was agreed that TD/JA would bring back a governance report to the next meeting of the board.</p>		

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