

PUBLIC

MINUTES of a meeting of the **D2N2 INFRASTRUCTURE AND INVESTMENT BOARD** held on 24 February 2016 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor A Western (Derbyshire County Council)
(in the Chair)

Councillor W J Clarke (Gedling Borough Council), Councillor D Collins (Derbyshire County Council), Councillor D Meale (Nottinghamshire County Council) and Councillor B Wheeler (South Derbyshire District Council).

Also in Attendance – M Ashworth (Derbyshire County Council), A Bevan (University of Derby), R Dubrow-Marshall (University of Derby), T Clegg (Derby City Council), T Goshawk (D2N2 LEP), K Hopkinson (D2N2 LEP), J Seymour (Derbyshire County Council), P Storey (Markham Vale), I Vernalls (Nottingham City Council) and S Wainwright (Derbyshire County Council).

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor J Collins, (Nottingham City Council), P Gadsby (D2N2 LEP), Councillor K Greaves (Nottinghamshire County Council) Councillor N McDonald (Nottingham City Council), Councillor M Rawson (Derby City Council) and P Richardson (D2N2 LEP).

9/16 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS Councillor A Western declared a personal interest in the items relating to HS2 as she was a member of the East Midlands HS2 Strategic Board.

10/16 MINUTES RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 28 January 2016.

11/16 PROJECT UPDATES Some £39m had been allocated in 2015/16 and an update was made on the progress that had been made on these projects.

P Storey reported on the work at Markham Vale and, in particular, the new Seymour Link.

I Vernalls reported on the Nottingham Bioscience expansion development where work on site was progressing.

R Dubrow-Marshall and A Bevan reported on the University of Derby's Chesterfield campus development at St Helena House.

Excellent progress was being made and work on the 2016/17 starts list was moving forward with confidence.

RESOLVED that the update be noted.

12/16 HS2 EAST MIDLANDS HUB STATION AT TOTON
CONNECTIVITY FEASIBILITY STUDIES

On 15 October 2015 the Board had agreed to set up a Feasibility Fund to enable business cases to be prepared to support future rounds for Local Growth Fund (LGF) bidding and set aside £300,000 for 2015/16.

The Board agreed to fund the request in full over two financial years and to release £100,000 from the Feasibility Fund subject to further clarification of the funding being provided on the basis of a loan and also allocated in phases.

Subsequent to the Board meeting on 15 October 2015, there had been discussion at officer level and, due to there being no practical mechanism for paying back a loan, it was requested that the Board reconsiders allocating the funding as a grant instead. Given that the funding was being allocated for feasibility work, the grant would be subject to claw-back if the individual component projects did not ultimately go ahead.

RESOLVED that the previous recommendation to provide the feasibility funding as a loan be revised to allocation as grant funding, subject to claw-back, should the component projects not ultimately come forward.

13/16 HS2 INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE DEPOT AT
STAVELEY

The proposed Infrastructure Maintenance Depot (IMD) at Staveley would be the main base for maintaining the track, structures (bridges, tunnels etc), signalling and overhead power supply for the entire eastern arm of the high speed rail network. Studies undertaken by specialist consultant Volterra indicate that the depot could support 540 - 580 direct jobs and over 700 including indirect impacts and at a wider spatial level. The depot also has potential to act as a construction site for the high speed line.

The Board had set up a Feasibility Fund to enable business cases to be prepared to support future rounds for Local Growth Fund (LGF) bidding and set aside £300,000 for 2015/16. A total of £255,000 was set aside for feasibility studies of a NET tram extension, traffic modelling and investigations of tram-train opportunities. The remaining £45k was earmarked to support work related to the proposed Staveley depot.

It was proposed that specialist consultancy advice should be provided to promote the development of the depot at Staveley to maximise its economic potential, both locally and over a wider area. Issues emerging from this work would be reported to the Staveley Depot Delivery Board and the HS2 Strategic Board.

RESOLVED that grant funding totalling £45,000 be allocated for consultancy support on the proposed HS2 Staveley Depot, which will be subject to claw-back should the component projects not ultimately come forward.

14/16 BUDGET UPDATE A report on the current budget position was presented. A total of £14,440,000 had been paid to promoters with the remaining £24,610,000 due to be paid during the first week in March.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

15/16 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** The next meeting of the Board was scheduled for 31 March 2016 at 10.00am.