

Title LEP Board

Date 29 September 2015

Time 8.30am to 9.30am

Venue Weston Aviation, Aerohub 1, Newquay Cornwall Airport, Newquay TR8 4HP

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Agenda Item No			Lead	Action
1.	8.30	Welcome and Introductions (<i>Observer – None</i>) Apologies for Absence (Roland Tiplady, Theo Leijser)	CP	
2.	8.35	Declarations of Interest	ALL	
3.	8.40	LEP Board (22 July 2015) Minutes Action Summary	CP SR	To Note To Note
Operational Updates				
4.	8.45	Chairman’s Verbal Update	CP	
5.	8.50	CEO’s Report (<i>including any Driver Board escalation</i>)	SR	Decision
6.		Investment Decisions (by exception) (No Report)	SR	
7.	9.15	Appointments Committee	CL/SR	To Note
Strategic Business (for information only) (9.25-9.30)				
8.		Economic Update	SR	To Note
9.		Future Economy Update FE Board Enterprise Zone Board	AC/SR CP/SR	To Note To Note
10.		Growth for Business Update G4B Board Better Business for All Update Food Enterprise Zone Update	ST/MS ST/MS AW/DR	To Note To Note To Note

11.		Conditions for Growth Update		
		Employment and Skills Board	PM/SR	To Note
		Local Transport Board (no report)		
		Islands Futures	RM/TL	To Note
<i>Other Board Business</i>				
12.		Briefing for Expo	JC	To Note

Dates of next Meetings
LEP Board 2015

25 November (*including Q2 Growth Deal performance*)

CORNWALL & ISLES OF SCILLY

LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP

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MINUTES of a Meeting of the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Local Enterprise Partnership held in the Trelawny Room, Cornwall Council, County Hall, Truro TR1 3AY on Wednesday 22 July 2015 commencing at 10.00 am.

Present:- Chris Pomfret (Chairman)

Anne Carlisle, Robert Davey, Lucy Edge, Tom French CC, Julian German CC, Paul Massey, Richard McCarthy, Gavin Poole, Roland Tiplady, John Pollard CC, Andrew Williams

Officers and Support Team:- Sandra Rothwell, Andrew Kerr, Michael Crich, Matt Silver, Jason Clark, Theo Leijser, Julia Sweeney, Jonathan Eddy, Carol Bransgrove, Neil Clark, Emma Coad.

WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES (Agenda No. 1)

LEP1 The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular he welcomed Jonathan Eddy from BIS Local, the Board was advised that Jonathan would be the first point of contact for the BIS team and would provide a route to the Local Growth Team.

The Board was advised that Andrew Kerr, Chief Executive of Cornwall Council would be leaving the authority at the end of the week, Michael Crich, Corporate Director for Economy, Enterprise and Environment would attend the LEP Board meeting in the interim period until a new Chief Executive had been appointed.

Apologies for absence had been received from Board Directors – Chris Loughlin and Simon Tregoning. Cornwall Councillor Sally Hawken, who was due to observe the meeting, had also sent her apologies.

Richard McCarthy had sent apologies for late arrival.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (Agenda No. 9)

LEP9 The Board considered a report prepared by the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Local Enterprise Partnership Appointments Committee regarding the appointment of the Directors to the Local Enterprise Partnership.

Robert Davey left the room during consideration of his appointment.

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Decision: Robert Davey's position as Director of the Company be renewed for a further term of up to three years, subject to an annual informal review with Board Directors.

Action 1: The Company Secretary to make the appropriate filings at Companies House.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Agenda No. 2)

LEP2 The following declarations of interest were expressed:-

Robert Davey declared an interest in Agenda Item No. 9 (Appointments Committee) by virtue of the appointment directly relating to him and left the room during consideration and voting on the item.

Andrew Williams advised that he had an indirect interest in Agenda Item Nos. 7 & 13 by virtue of land ownership issues.

LEP BOARD (13 MAY 2015)

(Agenda No. 3)

LEP3

Minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2015

(Agenda No. 3a)

LEP3.1 It was agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 May 2015 were a true and accurate record subject to the following amendments:

It was noted that the heading of each page of the minutes should be amended to reflect the correct meeting date.

Lucy Edge confirmed that she had completed the action on page 5 of the minutes and that a spreadsheet had been circulated to Board Directors.

Action 2: The LEP Executive to amend the heading of each page of the minutes to reflect the correct meeting date.

Action Summary - 13 May 2015

(Agenda No. 3b)

LEP3.2 A summary of actions confirmed at the meeting held on 13 May 2015 were circulated, details of which were noted together with a summary of outstanding actions.

The Board was informed that all actions had been completed.

The LEP CEO provided the Board with an update in respect of the following action points:-

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Action 4 – Western Power

The LEP CEO updated the Board on the current position with regard to Western Power Distribution (WPD) advising that she had now met with WPD regarding future capacity issues and informed the Board that WPD were working with South West LEPS and OFGEM to resolve the issues. The Board commented that when more information was available on how the issues could be resolved they should be escalated to DCLG through Julia Sweeney.

It was agreed that a copy of the presentation by WPD would be circulated to Board Directors.

Action 10

The LEP CEO updated the Board on the current position regarding the AONB team attending a future meeting of the Board. She advised that a meeting had been arranged with members of the LEP Board, Chair of the Local Nature Partnership and Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board on 17 September following she would report back to the Board.

Action 3: LEP CEO to circulate a copy of the presentation by WPD.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (VERBAL REPORT)

(Agenda No. 4)

LEP4 The Chairman provided the Board with a verbal update on activities undertaken since the last meeting with reference to the following areas:

Royal Cornwall Show 2015

The Chairman advised that the Stand at the Royal Cornwall Show had been a success.

Devolution Deal

The Chairman advised that Cornwall's first Devolution Deal had been officially signed. The Deal would focus on Cornwall as a whole covering areas relating to transport, energy, health and social care, property, employment and skills, business support and European funding. It was noted that the devolution deal was not the end of handing powers to Cornwall and that the Government may devolve further powers in the future.

The Board commended the work undertaken to develop the deal. John Pollard CC expressed his appreciation to the Chairman and LEP team for their work. It was noted that a presentation would be made by John Pollard later in today's meeting which would outline what had been included and what had been left out of the deal.

The Board discussed the level of media coverage relating to the deal and commented that the deal should be promoted further.

Resignation of the Chairman and Board Directors

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The Board was informed that three Board Directors would be standing down shortly once appointments had been made to fill the vacancies.

Action 4: Jason Clark/Matt Silver/Trisha Hewitt to look at the communications relating to the Cornwall Deal. The LEP CEO to circulate the current media coverage to the Board.

CEO'S REPORT

(Agenda No. 5)

LEP5 The Board considered a report prepared by the LEP CEO focusing on an overview of the core activities regarding staff, governance, business engagement, local authority engagement, national and south west engagement, communications, business plan progress and strategic issues.

The LEP CEO updated the Board on each of the core activities with particular reference to the following points:-

Recruitment

She advised that the recruitment process was underway for the appointment of a Chair and 2 Non-Executive Directors of the Board. The closing date for applicants was 21 August, 2015. There had been significant interest in the positions.

The Board was informed that the resignation of the existing Board Directors would have an impact on a number of Boards by virtue of the Directors chairing some of the Driver Boards and the Shadow ITI Board. It was noted that the implications of this would need to be carefully considered.

Business Engagement

The position regarding the Business Consultative Group was noted by the Board.

National and South West Engagement

She provided the Board with an update following her meeting with the South West LEP CEO's in relation to the engagement of south west LEP's. The Board discussed the potential of a south west version of "Northern Powerhouse" and "Midlands Engine" activity and gave consideration to the "South West" priorities. The CEO asked the Board to consider the key economic priorities which could be incorporated in the document being prepared by the South West LEP CEO's. The Board, in discussing the priorities, referred how the C&IOS LEP could work with other LEP's not just in the south west but across the country on economic priorities. There was a need to ensure that there was a focus on 'adding value' and that there may be issues around governance in certain circumstances.

In the ensuing debate the Board agreed that marine energy, areas of transport, the Grid, skills, aerospace and smart specialisation should be the economic priority areas that could be incorporated in the paper referred to above.

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The LEP CEO referred to the announcement of a £5 million investment in Tourism and it was noted Andrew Williams would be attending the Economy and Culture Portfolio Advisory Committee on Friday 24 July, 2015.

It was agreed that Board Directors would be provided with a short summary of the discussions held at future London engagement meetings with MPs and Lords. The Board confirmed that it was important for the LEP to develop a relationship with Liam Fox MP and that he be invited to attend the LEP Annual Event in September.

Communications

She informed the Board that the work on the LEP branding was not yet complete. Matt Silver advised that the 'look' of the refreshed LEP website and full branding would be launched at the event on 29 September.

Reference was made to the LEP Annual Event and Tourism Conference scheduled to take place on 29-30 September in Newquay.

The Board was informed that a significant presence of Board Directors was expected at the Annual Event on 29 September.

Business Plan

She informed the Board that the Business Plan had been signed off and a copy had been circulated at the meeting.

The Board commented on the latest budget figures appended to the report with specific reference to the budget allocation for recruitment and LEP Driver Boards. The Board was informed that this was a working budget and the end of year figures may be different and that it may become necessary to come back to the board later in the year to re-allocate funding as necessary.

Strategic Issues

The LEP CEO provided the Board with an update on a number of strategic issues, in particular she referred to the following areas:

Growth Programme Funding

The Board was informed that there were a number of concerns being raised by private sector companies regarding the first round of 'calls' in relation to the Growth Programme funding. Companies had been requested to provide case studies relating to the particular issues in order that their concerns could be escalated.

Growth Deal

The Board was informed that information provided by HMT had indicated that there was likely to be future rounds of the Growth Deal which LEP's can bid for funding.

In response to comments regarding the rules for funding projects in particular private sector profits, the DCLG representative, Julia Sweeney confirmed that the funding

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criteria was unchanged and that she would respond to the issue raised by Roland Tiplady in writing.

Action 5: The LEP CEO to provide a short summary to the Board of the discussions held at future London engagement meetings with MPs and Lords.

Action 6: The Board notes the content of the report and agrees to the following points:

the Board Director activity/presence at events and meetings be noted and that dates of forthcoming events would be circulated with specific reference to who could attend;
a paper would be prepared for the Board, driven by the need for 'Added Value' covering South West economic priorities in relation to marine energy, areas of transport, Grid, skills, aerospace and smart specialisation;
the work proposed to refresh the LEP website was welcomed and it was noted that the branding would come back to the Board via written procedure;

Future Enterprise Zone(s) process

The Board considered a report prepared by the LEP CEO and the Performance and Compliance Manager (tabled at the meeting) focusing on the process for future Enterprise Zone(s). The CEO advised that correspondence had been received from James Wharton MP, Minister for Local Growth outlining a timetable for a further round of Enterprise Zones in England. The report highlighted the next steps for the LEP. It was noted that the deadline for an expression of interest would be the end of August, with final submissions in September.

In the ensuing discussion reference was made to the following areas:

it was commented that the Devolution Deal for Cornwall had made reference to a Low Carbon Enterprise Zone for Cornwall;
the level of work required and the need to clarify the LEP position and the impact of Enterprise Zones;
reference was made to the tight deadline for expressions of interest and submission, concern was expressed regarding the ability to submit bids within the timeframe and criteria;
the impact that further zones could have for the Aerohub Enterprise Zone;
the current position regarding potential zones in relation to offshore renewables, geothermal energy, earth science and satellite and space;
consideration was given to the potential for at least two Enterprise Zone bids;
the need to clarify the position in relation to the devolution deal link to a Low carbon EZ and if it was an option to submit two bids;
there was a need to establish a list of potential EZ zones to be better placed to submit future bids within the timeframe;
the need to clarify the benefits and economic value associated with Enterprise zones.

The representative of BIS, Jonathan Eddy provided the Board with details regarding the benefits associated with Enterprise Zones.

Decision:

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The Board agreed to confirm expressions of interest against agreed criteria by the August deadline and that the LEP Executive would prepare and submit final submissions in September.

The Board agreed not to use an open process but instead zones would be identified on the criteria discussed at the meeting. Final sign off would be via written procedure after consideration by the appraisal panel.

Action 7: The LEP Board agreed that the next steps in taking forward additional Enterprise Zones in Cornwall and Isles of Scilly be as detailed below:

That clarification be sought on the position with the Devolution Deal Low Carbon EZ and whether the LEP could submit an additional bid;

In the event that an additional bid could be submitted the LEP Executive Team work to prepare a second submission against agreed criteria. These areas would focus on earth sciences (Wheal Jane) and satellite and space (Goonhilly) (linked to smart specialisation).

Set up a joint LEP/CC appraisal panel and delegate responsibility for agreeing submissions by 18 September deadline.

That the Board notes that a successful submission would impact on the current review of governance of the existing Aerohub Enterprise Zone.

A list of future potential EZ be prepared by the LEP Executive Team to assist in the development of future submissions with priorities linked to the smart specialisation areas.

PERFORMANCE AND RISK REPORT

(Agenda No. 6)

LEP6 The Board considered a report prepared by the Performance and Compliance Manager regarding performance and risk.

Neil Clark outlined the main points contained within the report with specific reference to the following areas:

the methodology regarding the risk register;
confirmation that there were currently no red risks to report;
the difficulty of recording risks associated with GVA figures due to information being split across a number of years;
issues relating to compliance would be reported to the LEP Board through the LEP CEO report.

Action 8: Neil Clark to provide a graph showing progress against the GVA target in future performance and risk reports.

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Action 9: The LEP Audit and Assurance Committee to further look at risk reporting.

INVESTMENT DECISIONS (BY EXCEPTION)

(Agenda No. 7)

LEP7 The Board considered a report prepared by Sandra Rothwell regarding an investment decision in relation to Cycle Tour of Cornwall 2017.

Arising from consideration of the report, the Board expressed comments regarding the level of information provided with the application to make an economic decision, that the proposal would have benefits for the tourism industry and therefore Visit Cornwall's involvement was as essential as the Cornwall Sports Partnership, and the economic value generated by the Tour de France for Yorkshire.

Decision:

The request to underwrite the costs of a sporting event to be held in 2017 was refused as it did not deliver the priorities of the 2015-2018 LEP Business Plan and SEP;

Action 10: LEP CEO to contact Cornwall Council to confirm the LEP Board's decision and to advise them to approach the Cornwall Sports Partnership in collaboration with Visit Cornwall to take the initiative forward.

AUDIT AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE

(Agenda No. 8)

LEP8 Robert Davey advised that the Audit and Assurance Committee had been established however it was still at a very early stage.

ECONOMIC UPDATE

(Agenda No. 10)

LEP10 The Board considered a report prepared by Sandra Rothwell and Peter Wills regarding the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Economic Update.

The LEP CEO outlined the main points contained within the report with specific reference to the following areas:

Employment Figures

She referred to the employment figures advising that over the last year the numbers of those aged 16-64 fell slightly, while the number of economically active increased significantly and the economically inactive decreased. Employment numbers were up substantially, particularly self-employed and those working part-time with the number of unemployed remaining stable.

House Prices

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House prices in Cornwall had been fairly static in 2015, prices were now 4% above the average for England, compared to 6% in 2014 continuing the slow converge that had been evident since 2008.

Gross Domestic Product Figures

The GDP figures were not keeping pace with the UK economy. The report provided details of how Cornwall and Isles of Scilly compared to UK economy.

In the ensuing debate reference was made to the following areas:

the figures highlighted skills requirements and the need to gain appropriate skills in order to move forward successfully;
it was commented that there were geographical hotspots and client groups that were underperforming and which should be targeted;
members of the business community had referred to the lack of executive style homes being built to attract employees, the focus being on low cost and affordable homes;
the devolution deal would provide the ability to drive employment and skills requirements in a more bespoke manner;
it was commented that it would be beneficial to 'traffic light' the statistics to provide a visual interpretation to identify targets.

Action 11: The LEP CEO to produce a heat map to show 'hotspots' and target areas in future economic update reports.

CORNWALL DEAL

(Agenda No. 11)

LEP11 An update was provided to the Board on the current position regarding the Cornwall Deal. John Pollard CC provided the Board with a powerpoint presentation of the Devolution Deal for Cornwall advising that the Devolution Deal had now been officially signed off.

He proceeded to highlight the main points of the Devolution Deal with specific reference to the following areas:

the Deal had involved a number of partners including the LEP and NHS;
Cornwall was the first rural authority to complete the process;
This was an extensive deal than had been offered to other Councils;
The Government had wanted the deal to be fiscally neutral;
Cornwall Council had supported the Case for Cornwall and the Devolution Deal.

He explained each section of the Deal with specific reference to:

The Transport asks included the ability to franchise the local bus service, improve smart ticketing and combined fares for mixed method of transport.

The Employment and Skills ask would allow more power over taking on apprenticeships and training, allowing Cornwall to gain appropriate skills in order to move forward successfully.

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The European Funding IB status for Cornwall and Isles of Scilly would be from April 2016 to ensure a seamless transition.

The Business Support Sector ask would make it easier for businesses to get the support that they needed to expand.

The Energy and Resilience section; the Government had expressed support for a Low Carbon Enterprise Zone subject to a completed business plan. There was also technical support from the Government in order to put it in place. Support was given for geothermal, energy efficient homes, and community energy projects.

The Health and Social Care ask would provide a commitment between the Government, Health and Cornwall Council in order to integrate Health and Social Care.

The Public Estate Asset ask would be used to support local priorities, providing more power and say over how public estates were managed. The LEP would link into this ask. It was clarified that the ask related to the strategic management of property assets and that this was an area that Cornwall Council had managed excellently in the past.

The Heritage and Culture ask would lead to the creation of a Cornish Heritage Environmental Forum, which it was believed would create huge economic benefits to the heritage environment and mean that heritage decisions were made in Cornwall.

In summary, John Pollard highlighted the importance of governance going forward and the benefit associated with Cornwall being a unitary authority. He identified those areas that had not been included in the Deal and the possibility of including them in phase 2 of the development programme.

In response to questions arising from the presentation, John Pollard CC and Andrew Kerr provided an update on the position regarding the potential for a Boundary review and when it was likely to be undertaken.

Jonathan Eddy advised that the next stage of the process would be to look at implementation and governance arrangements.

Action 12: Jason Clark to produce an aide memoir for Board Directors of the LEP's view in relation to the Devolution Deal.

FUTURE ECONOMY UPDATE

(Agenda No. 12)

LEP12

FE Board

(Agenda No. 12a)

LEP12.1 The Board considered a report prepared by Elisia Bott and Steven Ford regarding the Future Economy Board.

Anne Carlisle outlined the main points contained within the report, with specific reference to the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Research and Innovation Framework,

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Future Economy Skills Strategy, Future Economy: Green and Marine Thematic work-strand.

She provided the Board with an update on the current position of the Framework document and the work required to meet the challenges highlighted by the research undertaken.

The report detailed the progress to date and the timetable for delivering the final stages of the C&IoS R&I Framework to meet the date for the Call in September 2015.

In the ensuing debate, reference was made to the following areas:

the final evidence report would be available in August;
the publication of the Call was scheduled for September 2015;
the availability of the skills provision in house to deliver the European programme;
the timetable for the publication of the Call for PA 4 investment;
method of business engagement and integration with businesses;
the ITI Board would be discussing better connection at its next meeting;
the length of the spend profile for the Call.

Action 13: The LEP CEO to circulate the C&IoS R&I Framework to the LEP Board and upload onto the LEP website once agreed/approved in August.

Enterprise Zone Board

(Agenda No. 12b)

LEP12.2 The Board considered a report prepared by Miles Carden regarding the work of the Aerohub Enterprise Zone at Newquay Cornwall Airport.

The Chair outlined the main points contained within the report with specific reference to the following areas:

attendance at the two day UK Space Conference 2015 with the UK Space Agency in Liverpool (including an update from Lucy Edge);
current position with the Aerohub Business Park;
details of inward investment engagement undertaken and the level of investor interest.

GROWTH FOR BUSINESS UPDATE

(Agenda No. 13)

LEP13

G4B Board (inc. Growth Hub Presentation)

(Agenda No. 13a)

LEP13.1 The Board considered a report prepared by Matt Silver and Lindsay Knuckey regarding activities of the Growth for Business Board.

Matt Silver outlined the main points contained within the report, with particular reference to the following:

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outcome of the lunch arranged with a number of local business intermediaries to gather their views of business growth;
the requirement for further work to define the gaps in terms of business support, the need for clarity regarding the definition of 'growth' backed up by an evidence base;
the first PA3 calls had now closed; reference was made to the need for Board Directors to reacquaint themselves with the principles of the Growth Hub;
the impact of the Cornwall Deal on the Growth for Business Board to be outlined in a full business case and programme, with an initial paper being submitted to the G4B in September 2015, the LEP to be kept informed of the progress and key issues escalated;
the requirement for a timeline identifying when Calls were coming through;
the interim Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Growth Hub would provide a signposting services while the C&IoS LEP waited for the first Growth Hub to get up and running;
it was noted that the C&IoS LEP were ahead of others in respect of the work undertaken on the Growth Hub.

Decision: The Board agreed to escalate concerns to the Managing Authority (DCLG), via the LEP CEO, concerning the lack of LEP involvement to the Growth Hub appraisal.

Action 14: The LEP CEO to escalate concerns to the Managing Authority (DCLG) about the lack of LEP involvement (as a match funder) to the Growth Hub appraisal, and particularly note the impact of this on any devolution arrangements.

Action 15: All to provide any comments/feedback on the interim Growth Hub to Matt Silver.

Roland Tiplady left the meeting at this point.

Better Business for All Update

(Agenda No. 13b)

LEP13.2 The Board considered a report prepared by Mark Luxton, Simon Tregoning and Matt Silver regarding the activities of the Better Business for All Partnership.

Matt Silver outlined the main points contained within the report.

Julian German CC advised that the Better Business for All partnership had been highlighted at the Local Government Association Awards.

Food Enterprise Zone Update

(Agenda No. 13c)

LEP13.3 The Board considered a report prepared by David Rodda regarding the activities to date in respect of the Food Enterprise Zone.

The LEP CEO outlined the main points contained within the report with specific reference to the activity to date and the position regarding the two chosen sites for

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FEZ's which had been announced by George Eustice MP at the Royal Cornwall Show on 4 June, 2015.

In the ensuing discussion, reference was made to the following areas:

the level of support being provided to those site that had not been shortlisted;
the availability of resources to take forward potential FEZ's;
the scope of FEZ's which was set by DEFRA;
the potential to bring together Food and Agri-tech sectors to drive productivity in the future;
the bid process required by DEFRA;
the timeline for the two chosen sites identified in the report.

CONDITIONS FOR GROWTH UPDATE

(Agenda No. 14)

LEP14

Employment and Skills Board

(Agenda No. 14a)

LEP14.1 The Board considered a report prepared by Sandra Rothwell and Phil McVey regarding the work of the Employment and Skills Board (ESB).

Paul Massey outlined the main points contained within the report highlighting the work of the Employment and Skills Board and together with Sandra Rothwell provided an update on the current position regarding the Department for Work and Pensions 'opt in' and the progress of the Devolution Deal as it relates to employment and skills.

The LEP CEO provided details on the areas under consideration to shape the future direction of the ESB which included work to align and pool strategy and resources to re-shape training and learning provision, improvements to the apprenticeship brokerage activities, resource a skills bank initiative, build on the existing local Enterprise Advisor Pilot, helping people into employment. The Board was advised that following debate with the ESB, it was recommended that a review of the functions of the ESB be undertaken with a subsequent review of governance and membership.

In the ensuing debate reference was made to the following areas:

the input that STEM schools could provide in the process;
the importance of establishing links to businesses to gain a greater understanding of the work that they do;
the benefits that could be achieved by moving the ESB forwards;
the 'model' would need to attract students;
there was an identified shortage of skills in construction and engineering;
the structure should frame the business requirements;
a lack of skills in specific areas would require employees to be imported into those area.

Local Transport Board

(Agenda No. 14b)

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LEP14.2 The Board considered a report prepared by the Performance and Compliance Manager regarding the activities of the Local Transport Board. Neil Clark outlined the main points contained within the report with specific reference to the funding and delivery programme and the risk register.

Islands Futures (Agenda No. 14c)

LEP14.3 The Board considered a report prepared by Theo Leijser regarding the work of the Island Futures Board.

Theo Leijser outlined the main points contained within the report and provided an update on the latest position with regard to water and sewerage, development of a local plan, formation of a Housing Board and the transportation of goods to the island.

Arising from the above, the Board was invited to make comments on the Local Plan, whilst not a statutory consultee the views of the Board would be welcomed.

Action 16: Theo Leijser to provide the LEP Executive with a list of consultation questions for the Local Plan so that Board Director comments could be sought.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS (Agenda No. 15)

LEP15 News and Press Releases

The Board noted the report that had been produced to highlight any news and press releases connected with the Local Enterprise Partnership and Aerohub at Newquay Cornwall Airport.

Local Nature Partnership

The Board discussed the reporting mechanism in respect of the Local Nature Partnership and the availability of resources to drive it forwards and how the LEP could work with the LNP to drive investment.

NEXT MEETING (Agenda No. 16)

LEP16 It was noted that the next Board meeting was scheduled to take place on 29 September 2015.

The meeting ended at 3.00 pm.

[The agenda and reports relating to the items referred to above are attached to the signed copy of the Minutes].

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