



CESHIRE SCIENCE CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE BOARD

Minutes

Minutes of Meeting held on 20 September 2018

Present:

Robert Mee (Chair)
Tony Bochenski
Cllr Brian Clarke
Cllr Russ Bowden
Christine White
Chris Farrow

In attendance:

Philip Cox
Stephen Fitzsimons
Martin O'Rourke
Joel Tagg
Phil Kerr

Apologies:

John Adlen
Cllr Paul Bates
John Willis

1. Declarations of Interest

- Cllr Brian Clarke declared an interest in the discussion about EZ investments in Ellesmere Port.
- Cheshire East declared an interest in EZ investments in Alderley Park.
- Chris Farrow also declared an interest in sites in Ellesmere Port

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

These were accepted as an accurate record.

3. Update on Developments at Birchwood

Martin O'Rourke from Patrizia gave a brief presentation on past and future development at Birchwood Park. He highlighted that Patrizia will be looking for Planning Consent for the next phase of its development in October, with a start on site in December/January, and the buildings ready for completion in December 2019.

4. **Governance**

Robert Mee informed the Board that he had invited Chris Farrow, Chair of Ellesmere Port Development Board, to become a full member of the EZ Board. He noted that Chris would not vote on EZ projects in the Ellesmere Port area.

5. **EZ Investment Cases**

Philip Cox took Board members through the three investment cases and indicated that once these had been finalised, the LEP's Performance and Investment Committee would ratify the EZ Board's decision in terms offer value for money, etc. after which the main Board would need to ratify the agreement.

a) **Helix Phase 2**

Philip Cox took the Board through the Investment Term Sheet for Helix Business Park (Phase 2). He asked the Board to agree to delegate to officers responsibility for finalising the detailed contract, subject to it remaining within the parameters of the terms sheet. The Board agreed, subject to receiving further detail of the average proposals within the terms.

b) **Hooton Park**

Philip Cox took the Board through the Investment Term Sheet. The Board agreed to delegate to officers responsibility for finalising the detailed contract and then to pass it to the P&I Committee and main Board for ratification.

c) **Rhino Newport Business Park**

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Tony Bocheski suggested there may be ways to streamline the process of negotiating agreements with investors. He agreed to follow up with John Adlen.

Action: TONY BOCHESKI

6. **Any Other Business**

There being no other business, the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.

Following the meeting Robert Mee formally signed the agreement to develop the Glasshouse building at Alderley Park.