

Minutes of the Chesterfield Long Term Plan for Towns Board

Thursday 7th November 2024, 5:00pm, Chesterfield Borough Council

Board Members:	
Dominic Staniforth, Chair	Barber Harrison and Platt
Cllr Amanda Serjeant	Chesterfield Borough Council
Nicole Ndiweni	Police and Crime Commissioner
Andrew Kelly	Parkside School
Simon Wright	Banner Jones
Toby Perkins, MP	Member of Parliament
Jacqui Willis	Derbyshire Voluntary Action
Mahmud Nawaz	Chesterfield Royal Hospital Foundation Trust
Laura-Jo Owen	Adorn Jewellers
Emily Bowman	Junction Arts
Cllr Carolyn Renwick	Derbyshire County Council
Gavin Grainger	Bottle and Thyme
Simon Davidson	Cheese Factor
Angela Stansfield	Job Centre Plus
Dave Kirby	Derbyshire Constabulary
Officers in support:	
Huw Bowen	Chesterfield Borough Council
Craig Busby	Officer in Support of Toby Perkins, MP
Lynda Sharp	Chesterfield Borough Council
Christine Durrant	Chesterfield Borough Council
Liz Wigley	Cities and Local Growth Unit
Neil Johnson	Chesterfield Borough Council
Karl Apps	Derbyshire County Council
Rebecca Bland	Chesterfield Borough Council
Ian Waller	Chesterfield Borough Councl
Andy Bond	Chesterfield Borough Council
Joe Rhodes Owen	Officer in support of Police and Crime
	Commissioner
Apologies:	
Canon Patrick Coleman	Chesterfield Parish Church
Julie Richards	Chesterfield College
John Croot	Chesterfield Football Club Community Trust
Kath Mitchell	University of Derby

Item No	Item	Action (by whom)
1.	Welcome, apologies and introductions	
	DS welcomed Dave Kirby to his first Board meeting.	
	Apologies were noted.	
2.	Declaration of Interest	
	No declarations of interest were received.	
3.	Minutes of the previous meeting (26/09/2024) and matters arising	
	DS asked the Board to confirm to confirm that the minutes of the meeting of that the minutes shared of the Board meeting on 26 th September, were a true and accurate record. This was agreed.	
	DS confirmed that all actions had been undertaken with the exception of notes being shared from the workshop held on ASB and anti-social behavior. These notes would follow in due course.	
	Action: Notes of ASB Workshop to be shared at a future meeting	LS
4.	Update on LTPT programe	
	HB shared the news that the LTPT programme would continue following its "pause" and that the programme would be subject to reform to ensure that the delivery of activity fits with the new Government's "5 missions". Details of the LTPT continuing had been shared in the Autumn Statement and subsequently both TP and HB had received further communication from Government. HB expressed his gratitude to TP who had taken up the matter of LTPT continuance with Minister Norris.	

Further, he expressed his thanks to JR and EB who had joined him in meeting government representatives to discuss our LTPT programme during the summer months.

HB advised that in the letter he received it stated that LTPT areas would be allocated additional £200k capacity funding to support the development of plans. This would not be additional money and would be from the £20 million overall allocation. This will be made available in April 25 onwards. The main funding will be released in the 2026/27 financial year. This is a key change.

HB advised that Chesterfield had been ahead of the pack in terms of being delivery ready and that the additional time would allow other LTPT areas to catch up. HB has made representations to Government to clarify whether approval to commence activity ahead of this new time line would be possible. Whilst new guidance is awaited and a refresh of our submission likely required to ensure that it reflects the 5 missions he is of the view that we would be in a position to commence activity earlier.

DS asked LW if she would like to add anything from Governments perspective? LW confirmed that HB had reflected the position well and that she was pleased to see that the programme has been retained. She is expecting some changes in the revised guidance and this might reflect the types of pre-approved projects that could be brought forward. LW is happy to take any questions back to seek further clarity.

DS asked TP if he would like to add anything? TP confirmed that he thought the news was excellent and very welcome. As stated he has met with Minister Morris and has been advised that guidance will reflect a need to include reference to the "5 missions" but that he feels the work we have already done will chime well with this. He advised that the engagement activity will not be wasted and we should move forward with confidence.

5.	Focus on Town Centre, Heritage and Regeneration	
	HB introduced Board members to the workshop sessions around Town Centre, Heritage and Regeneration. Board members had received a data pack with the papers for the meeting that provided background information and the focus for discussions.	
6.	Any Other Business	
	DS advised that a draft press release will be prepared following the news that the programme is continuing that will highlight the ongoing role for the Board.	
	Action 2 Press release on LTPT continuing to be drafted.	CBC Comms
	The Communications and Engagement group will be convened in the new year. LS to be in touch with those that had volunteered to engage previously.	Commis
	Action 3 Comms and Engagement Group to be established.	LS
7.	Date and Time of future meetings	
	Thursday 5 th December 2024 at Town Hall, Chesterfield.	