

DRAFT MINUTES

Meeting: Meeting of the Board of the Stockport Town Centre West Mayoral Development Corporation

Date: 24 June 2022

Time: 3.00pm – 3.05pm

Place: Stockport MDC Office, 4-6 Grand Central, Stockport, SK1 3TA

Present:

Board Members

Lord Kerslake (Chair)

Councillor Elise Wilson (Labour Group Leader - Stockport Council)

Councillor Mark Hunter (Leader of Stockport Council and Liberal Democrat Group Leader)

Caroline Simpson (Chief Executive - Stockport Council)

Debbie Francis (Private Sector Board Member)

Danielle Gillespie (Homes England)

Officers of the Corporation

Paul Richards (Chief Executive)

Michael Cullen (Finance Director)

Officers of Stockport Council

Andreas Petrou (Commercial Property Solicitor)

Observers

Councillor Anna Charles-Jones (Independent Ratepayers Leader - Stockport)

1. Welcome and Chair's Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed those present to the board meeting of Stockport Town Centre West Mayoral Development Corporation (MDC).

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Dr Louise Brooke-Smith, Mike Hurleston, Simon Marshall and Simon Nokes.

3. Declarations of Interest

- 3.1. Paul Richards and Caroline Simpson each declared their directorships of Stockport Hotel Management Company Limited, Stockport Exchange Phase 2 Limited and Stockport Exchange Phase 3 Limited. The companies each have an interest at Stockport Exchange which lies within the MDC boundary. No further action required to be taken.
- 3.2. There were no other declarations of interest relevant to items on the agenda.

4. Minutes of the Meeting Held on 31 March 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2022 were approved as a correct record and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

5. Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/22

- 5.1. The Finance Director of the MDC presented a report detailing the requirement under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 for the MDC to complete and publish an Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR). This noted that the AGAR must be submitted to external auditors by 1 July and that the Metropolitan Borough Council of Stockport's head of audit had carried out their internal audit. The Finance Director confirmed that they had signed the certification given in section 2 of the AGAR.

The Board confirmed that the AGAR was reviewed and approved, and agreed to the following recommendations:

- 5.1.1. That the Chair and Chief Executive sign section 1 of the AGAR;
- 5.1.2. That the Chair signs section 2 of the AGAR;
- 5.1.3. That the period for exercise of public rights of Tuesday 28 June 2022 – Monday 8 August 2022 is agreed and approved.
- 5.2. The Chair and Chief Executive then proceeded to sign the AGAR as follows and in the following order:

5.2.1. Section 1 by the Chair and the Chief Executive;

5.2.2. Section 2 by the Chair.

6. Any Other Business

None.

7. Close of Meeting

The meeting ended at 3.05pm.

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