

Official minutes of meeting

Growth Corridors Board

22 March 2002 17:00-19:00

Location: The Engine Rooms, Birchwood Park & Microsoft Teams

Item	Action
Part A: Public items	
1. Attendees and apologies	
Attendees:	
Board members:	
Peter Broxton (Chair)	
Cllr Richard Beacham	
Tony Bochenski	
Chris Farrow	
Nicola Heron	
Linda Hilton	
Cllr Tom Jennings	
Cllr Nick Mannion	
In attendance:	
John Adlen	
Stephen Fitzsimons	
Gemma Davies	
Charles Jarvis	
Apologies:	
Loren Jones (Vice-Chair)	
Philip Cox	
Martin Wood	

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2. Declarations of interest	
a) Cllr Nick Mannion and Charles Jarvis declared an interest in Alderley Park on behalf of Cheshire East Council pertaining to item 7	
b) Chris Farrow declared an interest in sites in Ellesmere Port as Chair of the Ellesmere Port Development Board pertaining to item 7	
c) Cllr Tom Jennings and Stephen Fitzsimons declared an interest in Birchwood Park on behalf of Warrington Borough Council pertaining to item 7	
d) Cllr Richard Beacham declared an interest in Cloister Way, Dutton Green and Newport Business Park pertaining to item 7.	
3. Minutes and matters arising	
The minutes of the meeting held on 09 December 2021 were agreed as a correct record.	
4. Public speaking time	
No requests were received from members of the public to attend or speak at the meeting.	
5. Town centres	
A series of presentations were made by the LEP and the three local authorities to inform Board Members on the work going to revitalise town centres across Cheshire and Warrington.	
6. Governance	
a) Progress against purpose pyramid	
John Adlen updated the Board on progress against the purpose pyramid and action plan.	
7. Cheshire Science Corridor Enterprise Zone	
a) Investment programme update	
John Adlen updated the Board on the EZ investment programme, noting that there had been no material change in the programme since the last Board meeting.	

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b) Investment pipeline

John Adlen updated the Board on the EZ investment pipeline, noting that there are currently four schemes in the pipeline:

- **Enviroo** (previously ASD) – plastics recycling plant at Protos
- **Waste-to-Hydrogen** - led by Peel NRE plant at Protos
- **Quadrant Phase 3** – 85,000 sq ft of new industrial floorspace at Birchwood Park
- **Alderley Park** – c.100,000 sq ft of new lab space

8. High Speed Growth Corridor

John Adlen gave a verbal update to the Board on the High Speed Growth Corridor business case and the submission by Cheshire East Council for the GBR HQ.

9. Marketing and promotion

No items.

10. Cluster and sector development**a) Life sciences**

A verbal update on the life sciences sector was given by Peter Broxton

b) Energy

A verbal update on the energy/net zero sector was given by John Adlen.

10. Town centres

Covered under item 5.

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Part B: Non-public items

11. EZ investment cases

No items

12. AOB

Chris Farrow announced that he was standing down as Chair of the Ellesmere Port Development Board, but that he would remain as a member of the Growth Corridors Board. There being no other business, the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.