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THURSDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2017

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly held on Thursday 2nd November 2017. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Bridget Smith, Councillor Grenville Chamberlain and Mark Robertson.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In relation to agenda item 6, Councillor Kevin Cuffley informed the Joint Assembly that he had been involved in all the Local Liaison Forum meetings and conversations.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th September 2017, were agreed as a correct record, subject to the following amendments:

- Councillor Smith had requested bullet point 4 at page 10 of the minutes be amended to 'Councillor Bridget Smith referred to the recommendation of some members of the LLF, that consideration be given to a rail focused park and ride at Foxton and recalled that support for some improvements had been agreed in principle some time ago'.
- Under point 9 on page 14 of the minutes, the word 'with' would be added to the wording of the recommendation.

4. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Three questions had been received from members of the public, one of which was not accepted for the meeting. This question had been deferred from the September meeting and the subject matter was not on the November Joint Assembly agenda. The Chairman directed officers to provide the questioner with a written response and for the questioner to be kept informed when relevant reports would be presented to the Executive Board.

The other two questions had been accepted and would be addressed at agenda item 10.

5. PETITIONS

No petitions were received.

6. A1307 THREE CAMPUSES TO CAMBRIDGE (A1307 HAVERHILL TO CAMBRIDGE)

The Joint Assembly commented on progress and indicated their overall support for the approach being recommended to the Executive Board. The Joint Assembly was reassured of the consultative approach with the Local Liaison Forum (LLF) to get support for the three strategies presented.

The Joint Assembly supported a proposal to move the scheme forward quickly by consulting on the three strategies now and the park and ride options at a later date, and also requested that officers pursue the options common to all three strategies once the Board had received and agreed the result of the consultation.

The Joint Assembly proposed that the Local Liaison Forum considered a new title for the project.

7. WESTERN ORBITAL

The Joint Assembly considered the overall approach being recommended to the Executive Board to develop a full business case for a preferred option for a new park and ride site immediately to the north west of junction 11 of the M11, to include increased park and ride capacity and access/bus priority measures both into and out of the park and ride along Trumpington Road for city bound park and ride bus services. The business case would compare the costs and benefits of a new park and ride site against significant expansion of the existing site at Trumpington.

Whether to expand the Trumpington Park and Ride led to a detailed debate amongst the Joint Assembly members, with a difference of opinions expressed. An additional recommendation to the Executive Board was proposed by Councillor Tim Bick that further park and ride development should be considered only on the Hauxton side of the M11. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Williams and a vote was taken with five members voting in favour of the proposal, five against and two abstaining.

The Joint Assembly Chairman requested that the Local Liaison Forum (LLF) received a written response to the resolutions made at both the September and November meetings. A meeting would be arranged between the Executive Board Transport Portfolio Holder and the Chairman of the LLF to discuss the responses.

8. RAPID MASS TRANSIT STRATEGIC OPTIONS APPRAISAL

The Joint Assembly heard a presentation from Steer Davies Gleave, the consultants leading the rapid mass transit strategic options appraisal.

9. HISTON ROAD

The Joint Assembly considered the report and supported the approach to the Executive Board to move away from the 'do maximum' approach which had been previously proposed.

The Joint Assembly commented on the progress, noting that subject to the outcome of the Executive Board meeting, a revised concept scheme for Histon Road would be presented to the Executive Board in March 2018.

Several Joint Assembly members questioned whether the scheme would still deliver a transformative step change in strategic terms given this proposed way forward. The Transport Director undertook to take away the comments to review the potential benefits

against the anticipated costs.

10. QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

The Joint Assembly discussed, noted and indicated their overall support of the recommendations to the Executive Board regarding Cambridge South Station, Girton interchange and the Cambridgeshire rail study.

In relation to the Park and Ride subsidy, the Joint Assembly questioned whether the Greater Cambridge Partnership should fund services that other organisations delivered. The Joint Assembly also asked what happened when Greater Cambridge Partnership funding ceased and whether this would result in changes being re-instated.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Joint Assembly noted the next meeting would take place on Thursday 18th January 2018 at 2pm in the Kreis Viersen Room, Shire Hall, Cambridge.