

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting8th July 2010

1. Title of Item/Report

Review of Tees Valley Unlimited (TVU)

2. Record of the Decision

Cabinet considered a report setting out progress made to date on the review of Tees Valley Unlimited and sought endorsement of the work undertaken and proposed next steps.

It was explained that the main proposals of the review, which were endorsed by the TVU Leadership Board on 10th June 2010 were:

- TVU to continue as a Public Private Partnership with additional Board members from One North East and the Homes and Community Agency.
- that a new Investment Board be established to develop and manage the integrated Investment Plan.
- Task and Finish Groups would replace the existing sub boards.
- A New Managing Director, equivalent to a LA Corporate Director, reporting to the Board and Chair, to be appointed to drive forward the organisation.
- The establishment of a detailed transition process, with the involvement of partners, to establish the new organisation. Members were provided with a copy of the transition plan.

Members were provided with details of the recommended way forward and principles that would guide the delivery of the proposals. Members also noted the types of functions and core activities TVU would provide.

It was explained that TVU would be a higher level, light touch organisation, with specific focussed objectives on economic growth. TVU would be likely to have fewer, but more highly skilled staff, and would operate on the basis of not carrying generic in-house capacity other than where more effective and efficient to do so. TVU would have

clear and agreed governance and accountability to its core funding partners.

Members noted that implementation of the review proposals was likely to produce savings for the organisation, as a whole, of 15% over three years. However, the exact level of savings might be greater depending upon the final level and numbers of staff, which would be determined as the detailed transition work moved forward.

RESOLVED that:-

1. progress be noted.
2. that the revised TVU organisation and appointment of a new Managing Director be supported
3. the proposed next steps and the delivery of the detailed transition plan be noted.

3. Reasons for the Decision

To report progress to date on the review of TVU, and provide details of the transition process.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Cook declared a personal non prejudicial interest in the item entitled Review of Tees Valley Unlimited as he was a member of the Visit Tees Valley Board.

6. Details of any Dispensations

Not applicable

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight Friday 16th July 2010

Proper Officer

12 July 2010