

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting24th May 2018

1. Title of Item/Report

Tees Valley Combined Authority Update

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report that provided an update on the activities on the Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA) and in particular activities associated with the borough of Stockton on Tees. The report set out the areas of responsibility the TVCA had and provided a brief summary of each of these activities. The report highlighted the position with the investment plan and the next steps in particular the pipeline of projects that were being developed by the Council.

TVCA was established on 1st April 2016 and the Mayoral election was held in May 2017 which saw the creation of the governance structure, with a directly elected mayor and a Cabinet of 5 which was made up of the Leaders of each of the Tees Valley Councils. Each Leader in their role as Cabinet member took a portfolio lead and these were:

Darlington – Transport

Hartlepool – Education, Employment and Skills

Middlesbrough – Innovation, Culture & Tourism

Redcar & Cleveland – Investment and Business Growth

Stockton – Housing and Place

Each Leader received a portfolio briefing from TVCA staff and lead on that agenda across the Tees Valley. The Combined Authority's responsibilities include the economy, strategic transport, education employment & skills, culture, business growth, aspects of housing and European funding. The Combined Authority Managing Director attended a Stockton Borough Council Members Seminar on an annual basis to provide a verbal update on activities.

TVCA Cabinet and each Local Authority approved the use of Borrowing Powers for TVCA's use earlier this years and this was laid before Parliament week commencing 5 March 2018 offered and was an approved method of generating funding.

The report gave a summary of Combined Authority activity in the following areas:

South Tees Development Corporation
Strategic Transport Plan
Road & Rail
Sustainable access to Employment Programme
Transforming Cities
Housing
Tees Marshalling Yards
Education, Employment & Skills & School Improvement
Culture & Tourism
European Funding
Airport
Investment Plan
Preston Park Museum & Grounds Transformational Plan
Stockton Town Centre/Riverside – Transformational Change incorporating a new Tees Valley Giant
Northshore Future Phases
Central Stockton - Norton Road Gateway
Yarm Car Parking
Employment Land Development (Belasis)
Billingham Station

RECOMMENDED to Council that:

1. The content of the report be noted.
2. The pipeline of expressions of interest to be submitted to TVCA be agreed.
3. Reasons for the Decision

To provide Cabinet with an overview of the current investment activity ongoing in Stockton and seek agreement to the next stages of investment ask from TVCA resources.
4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None.
5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Bob Cook declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 10 – Tees Valley Combined Authority Update

(TVCA) as he was a member of TVCA Cabinet.

Councillor Jim Beall declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 10 – Tees Valley Combined Update (TVCA) as he was a substitute member of TVCA Cabinet.

Councillor Mike Smith declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 10 – Tees Valley Combined Update (TVCA) as he was employed by Fujifilm.

Councillor Nigel Cooke declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 10 – Tees Valley Combined Authority Update (TVCA) as he was a member of TVCA – The Land Commission and TVCA – The Education, Skills & Employment Committee.

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

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

N/A

Proper Officer
29 May 2018