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| **DARLINGTON TOWN DEAL BOARD**  **Microsoft Teams Meeting**  **Monday 10th July 2023** | | |
| **Present :**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Angela Howey (Chair) | Yvonne Richardson | | Ian Williams | Chris Mains | | Mark Ladyman | Gary Hutchinson | | Adam Suleiman | Sue Donnelly | | Brett Neilson | Naomi Jenkins | | Peter Gibson | Lucy Simms | | Katy Tate |  | | Cllr Harker |  | | Martin Short |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  |  | |  | | | | |
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| **No.** | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTIONS** |
| 1. | **Apologies**:  Chris Farlow  David Williams  Richard Allen |  |
| 2. | AH welcomed everyone to the meeting.  The minutes from the previous meeting were confirmed as accurate. |  |
| 4. | **Update presentation**  CM gave an update presentation, including;  **Towns Deal Finance.**  Review of Capital funding.  TF Revenue received to date.  **Update on the ongoing Towns Fund projects;**  Photographer has undertaken update photographs.  **Skinnergate and the Yards**  Good progress continues to be made in Skinnergate, Yards & Post House Wynd. Ongoing improvements to property frontages continuing.    Scaffolding now removed on the former Newcastle Building Society building. Carvers Commercial are agents for the ground floor in here.TF to contribute to shopfront/signage if appropriate.  Coniscliffe Road public realm improvements:  Planning application to be submitted.  Project is currently programmed to commence on site in October 2023.  Highways Improvements:  Skinnergate Public Realm:  Initial concept drawings are being appraised to target areas of maximum impact.  Benches/street furniture/artwork. Target specific areas such as junction of Duke Street and junction of Coniscliffe Road.    PG raised Skinnergate residential project – derelict building.  IW – referenced Nutrient Neutrality. This project is in progress.  **Adult Skills**  Expansion of scope – whole building development.  Progression to open tender for potential development partner anticipated issue in July/August 2023.  Risk appraisal undertaken.  Business case being finalised.  Project Adjustment Request to be developed, for submission to Government. Note that adjustments protocol was adjusted by government on 4th July 2023. Consideration is being made as to any impact on proposals.  **Northgate**  Edward Pease House:  Proposals received by conservation architect to develop a scheme within the property owned by DBC in advance of 2025.  Heritage Development Trust – EOI for capacity funding submitted by Friends of S&DR with DBC as partner.  Purchases of properties continue to be pursued.  YR raised issue of comms with local community / Darlington for Culture.  North Road & Northgate House:  Northgate House -  Engagement with Planning Consultant in progress. Working towards an outline planning application. Surveys and reports underway to submit alongside a robust planning application.  ML advised possibility of bringing Planning Consultant to Town Board to discuss further.  CM to provide estimated milestones and timescale of this project.  156 Northgate -  Design progressing.  Building Control, Planning, DAD.  Pre-application feedback received and will contribute to the design process.  Odeon –  Ongoing talks with new owners  Darlington Club & Institute -  TF looking to contribute to some external improvements.  PG noted multi agency approach required in this area.  Shop owner engagement underway.  Derelict Building on Northgate. Building Control in discussion with owner.  PG is looking to hold a second meeting with businesses in Northgate.  Dobbins View land. Currently for sale.  **Victoria Road**  Commenced engagement with property owners and the community. This is to continue and works to commence in the coming weeks.  **Bank Top**  TVCA are progressing a revised west of station proposal, to be shared with the Board for consideration when available.    **Rail Heritage Quarter**  On site.  **T- Levels**  New Principal of college to be announced and invited to Town Board. |  |
| 5. | **Communications & Marketing**  KT provided an overview on recent actions including an article in One Darlington and a video highlighting 156 Northgate.  A pro-active approach to ensure we communicate as widely as possible on progress is to continue. |  |
| 6. | **AOB**  Membership of the Town Board  A meeting to review membership of the Town Board has been undertaken for further discussion. |  |
| 7. | **Future meeting**:  Sept 2023 TBC  4th October 2023 |  |