

DARLINGTON TOWN DEAL BOARD
Microsoft Teams
Wednesday 10th January 2024

Present :

Angela Howey (Chair) (AH)	Mark Ladyman (ML)
Chris Mains (CM)	Chris Farlow (CF)
Yvonne Richardson (YR)	Brett Nielsen (BN)
Peter Gibson (PG)	David Gartland (DG)
Cllr Harker (SH)	Sarah Everett (SE)
Gary Hutchinson (GH)	Adam Suleiman (AS)
Lucy Simms (LS)	Sue Donnelly (SD)
Naomi Jenkins (NJ)	Jim O'Connor (JO)
Martin Short (MS)	
Graeme Dodd (GD)	Chloe Dalby (CD)

No.	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS
1.	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Ian Williams Katy Tate</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes from previous meeting – 11th November 2023</p> <p>YR had questions about the previous minutes.</p>	
3.	<p>Edward Pease House Presentation</p> <p>Introductions from Graeme Dodd and Chloe Dalby from Napper Architects</p> <p>Introductions from the Town Deal Board</p> <p>GD & CD share presentation to the group</p> <p>Presentation showcased a recent study of Pease House including the history, the building conditions now, the versatility of the building and all the potential options for redevelopment. The presentation was well received.</p>	

	<p>CM referenced a recent discussion with Historic England, highlighting potential for grant support for roof repairs.</p> <p>The group are asked if they agree to progress with the project?</p> <p>The group agree.</p> <p>GD & CD leave the meeting</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p>Update presentation</p> <p>CM shares presentation with the group</p> <p>Towns Deal Finance</p> <p>Capital funding received and spend.</p> <p>Revenue received to date.</p> <p>Project Adjustment Request (PAR)</p> <p>CM – Detailed the final proposals for the PAR to enable the Northern Echo Project to commence for the development of the Adult Skills facility and the provision of high-quality office space on the upper three floors. These initial proposals had been shared with the Board in previous meetings.</p> <p>Certain Board members highlighted a degree of disappointment that funds were being diverted from Northgate projects. However given the importance of the NEB (Adult Skills project) and the risks associated with delivery on projects in the Northgate area, the PAR was agreed by the Board.</p> <p>Update on the ongoing Towns Fund projects:</p> <p>Northgate</p> <p>Planning application in for 156 Northgate, expect to be concluded by the end of January/Start of February. Hope fully work to start summertime.</p> <p>Victoria Road</p> <p>Planning permission for 6 properties on the street in place.</p> <p>Further engagement and drawings with further properties ongoing.</p>	

	<p>Bank Top</p> <p>Still working with TVCA.</p> <p>Adult Skills</p> <p>PAR request.</p> <p>Skinnergate & The Yards</p> <p>Feedback has been positive.</p> <p>Mechanics Yard resurfacing complete.</p> <p>Railway Heritage Quarter</p> <p>Now on site</p> <p>Linear Park – Cycle Route</p> <p>Being completed</p> <p>T Levels</p> <p>Complete</p> <p>CM – Asked if the Board is in agreement to submit the PAR Group in agreement</p>	
5.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Defer to next meeting due to the meeting over running and attendees having to attend other meetings</p>	
6.	<p>Future meeting:</p> <p>27th February 2024</p>	