DARLINGTON TOWN DEAL BOARD Microsoft Teams Meeting Monday 8th August 2022

Present :

| Angela Howey (Chair) | Chris Mains |
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| Kate Roe | Councillor Jonathan Dulston |
| Brett Nielson | Yvonne Richardson |
| Peter Gibson MP | Mark Ladyman |
| Nathan Pearce | lan Williams |
| Julie McCartney | Joseph Owen (part) |
| | Michael Howcroft (part) |
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Officer Completing Log: Chris Mains

| No. | DISCUSSION | ACTIONS |
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| 1. | Apologies: recorded | |
| 2. | AH welcomed everyone to the meeting. | |
| | The minutes from the previous meeting were confirmed as accurate. | |
| 3. | Sub-groups | |
| | Urban regeneration sub-group | |
| | Noted that the last meeting of the sub-group was held on 15th June 2022. Further meeting are to be arranged. | |
| | Education & skills sub-group | |
| | Focused primarily on the Adult Skills Centre. Feedback on version 1 of the adult skills layout has been provided to the architect for review. A revised version 2 is proposed for the meeting scheduled for 17th August. | |
| | Heritage and Culture | |
| | 6 new heritage and culture routes have been developed. | |

| 4. | A brief update presentation of the ongoing proposals was provided by Paul Black from Brightwater. Heritage Trail presentation An update of progress and ongoing proposals was provided by Paul Black from Brightwater. A discussion followed the presentation with suggestion for consideration of the presented material. | |
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| 5. | Southampton University, Feeling Towns | |
| | A presentation providing an update of the Southampton University Knowledge Exchange study was provided by Joseph Owen. | |
| | The presentation reviewed the fieldwork undertaken, the data collected, methodologies applied, and the insights identified to date. | |
| | The work undertaken by Southampton University – Feeling Towns, alongside partners will continue, ultimately resulting in an academic paper detailing the study and its outcomes. | |
| 7. | Update Presentation | |
| | CM delivered a brief update presentation. | |
| | An update on Town Deal finances and engagement planning was provided. | |
| | Skinnergate & The Yards | |
| | Reported further on the improvements proposed to Yards entrances. | |
| | Public realm – progress with Coniscliffe Road public realm scheme was shared. | |
| | Residential development – project progressing | |
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| | Property enhancements – delivery ongoing. | |
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| | TLevels: | |
| | TLevels work has commenced. | |
| | Adult skills: | |
| | Feedback on version 1 of the adult skills layout has been provided to the architect for review. | |
| | Linear Park | |
| | Concept design undertaken for Garden Street area Brownfield site acquired by DBC Cycle Route – engage of the strategy and concept options to be progressed Public Realm – Garden Street area to progress Tie in with the Urban Masterplan and LUF proposals | |
| | Edward Pease House | |
| | Valuations of the remaining properties have been undertaken and formal offers have been made. Negotiations are continuing. | |
| | Victoria Road | |
| | A programme of improvement work has been planned. Further works to be resourced appropriately. | |
| | Northgate | |
| | Formal offer to purchase sent to owner Meeting with owner scheduled August | |
| 8. | AOB | |
| | No other business was shared. | |
| 9. | ACTIONS | |
| | None | |
| 10. | Future meetings: Monday 19 th September 2022 | |