At a MEETING of the **TAY CITIES REGION JOINT COMMITTEE** held remotely on Monday 7th September, 2020.

Present:-

Angus Council

Councillor Bill DUFF
Councillor David FAIRWEATHER

Dundee City Council

Councillor John ALEXANDER Councillor Lynne SHORT Councillor Richard McCREADY

Fife Council

Councillor David ROSS Councillor Karen MARJORAM Councillor Tim BRETT

Perth & Kinross Council

Councillor Murray LYLE Councillor John DUFF Councillor Grant LAING

Non-Elected Members

Ellis WATSON, DC Thomson Alison CARRINGTON, Skills Development Scotland Councillor Andrew PARROTT, TACTRAN Alison HENDERSON, Dundee and Angus Chamber of Commerce Nigel SEATON, University of Abertay Hayley MEARNS, Voluntary Action Angus

Also Present

Greg COLGAN, Tay Cities Deal Section 95 Officer David MARTIN, Dundee City Council Robin PRESSWOOD, Dundee City Council Steve GRIMMOND, Fife Council Keith WINTER, Fife Council Margo WILLIAMSON, Angus Council Vivian SMITH, Angus Council Karen REID, Perth and Kinross Council David LITTLEJOHN, Perth & Kinross Council Mark SPEED, TACTRAN Caroline WARBURTON, Visit Scotland Roger MENNIE, Tay Cities Deal Legal Officer Steve BELL, Tay Cities Deal Comms Mo SAUNDERS, Tay Cities Deal Programme Manager

Councillor David ROSS, in the Chair.

I APOLOGIES

Apologies had been intimated from Councillor Macmillan Douglas

II DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

III MINUTE OF MEETING OF 21ST AUGUST, 2020

The minute of meeting of 17th July, 2020 was submitted and approved.

IV MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

V TAY CITIES DEAL UPDATE

A presentation by the Chair, Tay Cities Management Group and S95 Officer was given to the Joint Committee regarding the current position with regards to the signing of the Deal and seeking instructions thereon.

The Joint Committee agreed that the Deal be signed, subject to the undernoted caveats :-

- there would be an ongoing commitment by the Partnership to seek acceleration of funding in Years 1 to 5 to enable the earlier delivery of the James Hutton Institute projects;
- (ii) the order of project drawdown and delivery could change as business cases developed;
- (iii) there would be ongoing monitoring of the programme including the active management of any reported underspend on drawdown through bringing forward projects which could demonstrate spend and have an approved Full Business Case in place; and
- (iv) where spend had occurred, at the project owners own risk, which exceeded the partnerships drawdown profile, active dialogue with Governments would be held to identify if there were any opportunities through other City Deal reported underspends to bring forward earlier additional funds from within the wider Tay Cities programme.

VII DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Friday, 18th September, 2020 at 10.00 am, to be held remotely. (Subsequently cancelled, with next meeting scheduled for Friday 23rd October 2020 at 10.00am to be held remotely).

David ROSS, Chair.