

At a MEETING of the **TAY CITIES REGION JOINT COMMITTEE** held remotely on Friday, 16th June, 2020.

Present:-

Angus Council

Councillor Bill DUFF

Councillor David FAIRWEATHER

Councillor Angus MACMILLAN DOUGLAS

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

Gordon McGUINNESS, Skills Development Scotland

Michael WRIGHT, Scottish Enterprise

Councillor Andrew PARROTT, TACTRAN

Alison HENDERSON, Dundee and Angus Chamber of Commerce

Nigel SEATON, University of Abertay

Also Present

Greg COLGAN, Tay Cities Deal

David MARTIN, Dundee City Council

Steve BELL, Dundee City Council

Robin PRESSWOOD, Dundee City Council

Keith WINTER, Fife Council

Vivian SMITH, Angus Council

David LITTLEJOHN, Perth & Kinross Council

Roger MENNIE, Tay Cities Deal

Mark SPEED, TACTRAN

Mo SAUNDERS, Tay Cities Deal

Councillor David ROSS, in the Chair.

I APOLOGIES

Apologies had been intimated from Margo Williamson, Steve Grimmond, Hayley Mearns and Carol Warburton.

II DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

III MINUTE OF MEETING OF 21ST FEBRUARY, 2020

The minute of meeting of 21st February, 2020 was submitted and approved.

IV MATTERS ARISING

On a reference to Article XI of the minute of meeting of 21st February, 2020, it was reported that a briefing note had been issued to members in respect of this item.

V TAY CITIES DEAL UPDATE

The Tay Cities Programme Manager gave a presentation to members highlighting developments in the Deal process. The signing date was still to be agreed, however both the UK and Scottish Government had given assurances that they remained committed to reaching a Deal, particularly as this would enable economic recovery in light of the COVID 19 pandemic.

The following matters remained outstanding with government before the Partnership could finalise the signing of the Deal:

- (i) confirmation from the UK Government on their Deal period offer; and
- (ii) confirmation from the UK Government on assistance with peak cashflow in the first five years.

The Joint Committee noted that both governments had confirmed that there was no additional Deal money to boost that already committed and that the Partnership was being encouraged to actively identify other programmes/funding sources that may be used to support any additional requirements.

In conclusion, the Joint Committee noted that assessment work on the impact of Covid 19 was being undertaken by the Partnership and this would be kept under constant review.

VI PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT OFFICE REVENUE (PMO) OPERATIONAL BUDGET 2020/2021

There was submitted Report No TCRJC4-2020 by the Section 95 Officer, seeking approval for the Programme Management Office (PMO) agreed operational budget for 2020/2021.

The Joint Committee agreed to approve the 2020/2021 Revenue Budget for the Tay Cities Region Project Management Office (PMO) as detailed in Appendix A to the report.

VII PROGRESS REPORT – MICHELIN SCOTLAND INNOVATION PARC

There was submitted Report No TCRJC2-2020 by the Executive Director of City Development, Dundee City Council, providing an update on progress made towards the development of the Michelin Scotland Innovation Parc and the £7.5M funding made available from the Industrial Investment Fund.

The Joint Committee agreed to note the progress made towards the development of the Michelin Scotland Innovation Parc and the role of the funding secured by Dundee City Council from the Industrial Investment Fund to support this.

VIII TCD021 CULTURE & TOURISM PROGRAMME - OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE

There was submitted Report No TCRJC3-2020 by the Chair of the Culture and Tourism Thematic Board seeking approval of the Outline Business Case (OBC) for TCD021 Culture & Tourism Programme.

The Joint Committee agreed to:-

- (i) approve the Outline Business Case;
- (ii) agree the projects recommended within the Outline Business Case; and
- (iii) note that the Management Group had approved the Outline Business Case for TCD021 Culture & Tourism Programme.

IX ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

In order to facilitate the approval of Business Cases, it had been noted that a number of additional Joint Committee meetings may require to be held. Dates identified for these meetings were:-

- Friday, 17th July, 2020
- Friday, 21st August, 2020
- Friday, 23rd October, 2020
- Friday, 13th November, 2020

The Joint Committee approved the additional meetings as detailed.

X DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Friday, 17th July, 2020, to be held remotely.

The Committee resolved under Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the undernoted item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 6 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

XI INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME – SIDE DEAL

There was submitted Report No TCRJC5-2020 by Service Leader, Angus Council, for Heads of Economic Development presenting the proposed projects to be funded from the £2.5m Side Deal Industrial Investment Programme and seeking approval of the recommended 50:50 split between the two projects presented.

The Joint Committee approved the recommendations contained within the report.

David ROSS, Convener.