



MINUTES OF THE SPATIAL PLANNING BOARD: 12 OCTOBER 2009

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed Julie Kenny, Deputy Chair to her first meeting of the Spatial Planning Board. A full list of attendees and apologies are **noted at Annex A**.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes from 29 June 2009 were agreed.

3. Matters arising

Cllr Mick Grant said he would contact members to invite them to a tour of the South Bank in December.

Members agreed that 'Applications of Regional Significance' should be added as a standard agenda item for future Spatial Planning Board meetings.

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Jenny Poxon told members that they would receive details of an application regarding Robin Hood Airport later that week.

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4. Doing things differently

Richard Wood provided an overview for the Board on how regional planning work is being done differently.

The following points were raised by members:

- We need to look at the dates of the Board to ensure we are meeting regularly.
- The 'Doing things differently' paper should show the links into the wider picture.
- Officers should look at ways of better communicating between Boards. An A4 sheet of paper with key messages from the other thematic boards should either be emailed to members between meetings or circulated with the papers for the meeting. Relevant updates from other Thematic Boards, the Joint Regional Board and Leaders' Board would be included in papers for the Spatial Planning Board.
- The sub-regions need to make the Board aware of issues they want to raise so the Board isn't missing important sub-regional issues. This is critical to ensure the sub-regional and regional relationship is soundly based and that we are doing the right things at the right 'level'.
- Make sure the agenda for the Spatial Planning Board meetings reflect the points made by the sub-regions and also reflects the different way in which we are now working.

5. Board work programme update

Jenny Poxon updated the Board on the progress against agreed work programme priorities, set out the priority work areas of the other Thematic Boards and described the conclusions of the Housing Delivery Enquiry.

Members commented as follows:

- The scale of the 'step up' in housing delivery needed in the Leeds City Region should be drawn out as a key finding in the Housing Delivery Report
- the links between delivering housing and infrastructure planning and delivery need to be fully explored
- Hope that exploring the role of public transport is implicit within the list of key points from the Transport Board.

It was agreed to update Annex A to include timescales. It was noted that supporting sustainable economic growth is about more than providing employment land.

Chris Martin reported that the Regeneration and Housing Board were currently looking how they could link into the work of the other thematic boards.

6. IRS sub-regional planning assessments

Richard Wood updated members on the arrangements for producing the sub regional spatial planning assessments and set out a framework for taking the assessments forward.

Members endorsed the framework set out in Annex A as a basis for discussion and refinement with sub regional officer groups and asked that the issue of 'environmental capacity' was focused on.

Members agreed that sub regions should complete the assessments by the end of March 2009.

Members agreed that an overview of key spatial planning challenges/issues should be brought to the next meeting to inform a discussion on 'what we are trying to achieve'.

An update of current progress with LDF preparation was requested.

7. Infrastructure Planning

Jenny Poxon updated the Board on the current activities related to infrastructure planning that are supporting the work of local authorities and sub-regions and developing a region-wide strategic infrastructure evidence base.

The Board was informed of the proposed Community Infrastructure Levy and members agreed a response to Communities and Local Government (CLG) on a current consultation.

Board members noted the implications of the new system for local authorities

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and sub-regional and regional bodies regarding the new Infrastructure Planning Commission.

Members voiced concern that funding would need to be stretched further and that there could be competition from developers as to which region they build in, if charges were not consistent across the region. These points were to be incorporated into the response on the CIL consultation.

8. Ensuring the Future Supply of Mineral Aggregates

The Board received a presentation on the report on taking forward planning for the future supply of minerals aggregates. The report drew attention to the overall regional apportionment as set out in the letter from CLG dated June 2009. Members raised concerns that the CLG approach was very 'top down' and didn't reflect the new ways of working that we had agreed. The Board did not agree recommendation 1 in the report to accept the apportionment figures.

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The Board agreed to test and debate both the overall regional apportionment and possible sub regional apportionments through the sub regional spatial planning assessments (fitting in with the arrangements agreed under item 6). To support this approach Members requested that the Regional Aggregates Working Party prepares a supplementary annex to its annual report, setting out the implications of Options "A-C" of the Sand & Gravel Study on a sub regional basis. Officers agreed to write to CLG to inform them of how the Board intended to move forward.

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Date of the next meeting: Monday 14 December 2009

Jessica Jubb, Executive Services Officer
Local Government Yorkshire and Humber



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ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES LIST

Name	Organisation
Andrew Palmer	CBI
Cllr Ann Reid	Local Government North Yorkshire and York
Cllr Anne Hawkesworth	Leeds City Region
Cllr Barry Anderson	Leeds City Region
Cllr Dave Pickering (sub for Cllr Gerald Smith)	Sheffield City Region
Cllr John Fareham	Hull & Humber Ports City Region
Cllr Jonathan Wood	Sheffield City Region
Cllr Peter Box (Chair)	Local Government Yorkshire & Humber
David Slater	Churches Regional Commission
Gill Stride	Campaign to Protect Rural England
Julie Kenny	Yorkshire Forward
Cllr Mick Grant	Hull & Humber Ports City Region
Paul Rogerson	Local Authority Chief Executive
Simon Foy	Yorkshire Forward
Will Fieldhouse (sub for Margaret Jackson)	Government Office for Yorkshire and Humber
Officers	
Jenny Poxon	Local Government Yorkshire & Humber
Richard Wood	Local Government Yorkshire & Humber
Chris Martin	Local Government Yorkshire & Humber
Jessica Jubb (note taker)	Local Government Yorkshire & Humber
Apologies	
Cllr Gerald Smith	Sheffield City Region
Cllr Keith Knaggs	Local Government North Yorkshire and York
David Curtis	Homes & Communities Agency
Margaret Jackson	Government Office for Yorkshire and Humber