

Greater Norwich Growth Board

Minutes

Date: Thursday, 16 March 2022

Time: 14:00 to 14:35

Venue: Virtual – Zoom

Present:

Board Members:

Norwich City Council:

Councillor Alan Waters (chair)

South Norfolk Council:

Councillor John Fuller (vice chair)

Broadland District Council:

Councillor Shaun Vincent (during
item 6, below)

Norfolk County Council:

Councillor Andrew Proctor

**New Anglia Local Enterprise
Partnership**

Officers:

Graham Nelson

Trevor Holden

Phil Courtier

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Vince Muspratt

Chris Starkie

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NORWICH
City Council



Norfolk County Council

NEWANGLIA
Local Enterprise Partnership
for Norfolk and Suffolk

In attendance:

Grace Burke	Greater Norwich Project Team Leader
Ruth Oyeniyi	Greater Norwich Project
Tom Cushan	Greater Norwich Project
Harvey Bullen	Norfolk County Council
Matthew Tracy	Norfolk County Council

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from CJ Green, New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership, Stephen Evans, Norwich City Council and Tom McCabe, Norfolk County Council.

2. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interests.

3. Minutes

RESOLVED to agree the accuracy of the meeting held on 2 December 2021

4. IIF Project Showcase – Marriott’s Way/ Barn Road Gateway

(Jeremy Wiggin, Transforming Cities Manager, Norfolk County Council, attended the meeting for this item.)

Jeremy Wiggin, referred to the agenda, and explained that the Green Pedalway, although another IIF project, was a separate scheme to the Marriott’s Way/Barn Road Gateway, and would not be included in the presentation to this meeting.

During the presentation on the Marriott’s Way/Barn Road Gateway, Jeremy Wiggin outlined the objectives and outputs of the project. This included: improvements to the visibility/legibility of the entrance to Trail Wood from Barn Road by removing trees and shrubs; installation of a heritage gate and associated fencing as part of improvements to the heritage trail through collaborative working with the heritage team; improvements to the street scene with new signage and improved access for cyclists and pedestrians; replacement tree planting; and increased volunteer opportunities through the Fringe Project. The scheme which had a budget of £50k was funded through the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Heritage Lottery Fund and was part of the Norfolk County Council’s Marriott Way Heritage Trail.

During discussion, a member welcomed the improvements to the entrance and cycle and pedestrian access. The scheme was well placed to be of benefit to the growth that was planned for the northeast of the city.

RESOLVED to thank Jeremy Wiggin for the presentation.

(Jeremy Wiggin left the meeting at this point.)

5. Greater Norwich Annual Growth Programme 2022/23

The chair introduced the report and said that it had been approved by the cabinets of the individual partner authorities. It had been well received at Norwich City Council.

Councillor Fuller commented on the Wherryman’s Way Access Improvements and said that South Norfolk Council had provided added value by investing in footpaths around Loddon, to commemorate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee.

RESOLVED to agree the Greater Norwich Annual Growth Programme 22/23.

6. East Norwich Masterplan – Oral Update

(The presentation is attached to the supplementary agenda for this meeting.)

Graham Nelson gave a presentation on the progress of the East Norwich masterplan and the emerging supplementary planning document. It would be a significant development in the Greater Norwich Growth area. There would be wider discussion on the mechanisms of delivery to ensure that the infrastructure was in place to enable the development.

During discussion Graham Nelson said that the Broads Authority had received a presentation and that he could arrange a presentation or further engagement with the East Norwich Project Team for individuals or other local authorities. Trevor Holden, on behalf of Broadland and South Norfolk councils expressed an interest.

In reply to a question, Graham Nelson reassured the board that there had been discussions with Laurence Scott (Wolong) and that the company was part of the wider stakeholder group. Technically only a small corner at the front of their site was included in East Norwich development area, which was required to connect the Utilities Site with the land in front of Norwich City Football Club and the river.

RESOLVED to note the presentation.

7. Date of Next Meeting

RESOLVED to confirm that the next meeting of the board will be held on 13 June 2022 at 14:00 (venue/location to be confirmed).

CHAIR