

Agenda Item 5

MK: Bletchley & Fenny Stratford Town Deal Board

Update on work programme and key activities
Thursday 30 July 2020



Progress Since Last Board

- Updated intervention area confirmed with Government and now approved
- Virtual meeting with Government Towns Hub team held on 8th July
- Help and resources can be accessed on their dedicated website <https://townsfund.org.uk/>
- Towns Hub team to get back to us with the package of support that will be available to us in August
- MK Towns Deal team to confirm the level of resource we will be committing to the development of the TIP and community engagement with them in July

Progress Since Last Board

- Progress made with the call for expressions of interest and the proposals for the initial £1m
- Additional resource and expertise secured to support the Board with the preparation of the TIP and the community engagement required to meet the October submission



Hatch Regeneris bought on board to help with the preparation of the Town Investment Plan – 33 days of activity to be provided by the end of October



Hyas Associates bought on board to help lead the Community Engagement aspect of the programme – 40 days of activity to be provided by the end of October

- Martyn Smith from MKC seconded to help support and assist with the overall programme management of the project and to work alongside Paul Hammond and Tracey Aldworth

Sub Groups membership

The picture so far.....

| Theme | Members proposed |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Place and connectivity | Jack Pickering, Lee Parker MK College working with Paul Hammond MKC |
| Land and development opportunities | MKDP, Liana Sinclair MK College working with Tracy Darke MKC |
| Economy and skills | Julie Mills, Hilary Chipping and Geoff Snelson MKC |
| Community, health and wellbeing | Oliver Mytton, Lyndsey Stiles MK College, Maryann Brooks community outreach |

Next Steps

- Virtual sub group meetings to be arranged – MS working with Hatch and Hyas
- Progress discussions to help identify key issues and themes to be included in the TIP and potential project ideas
- Community engagement commences
- Further discussions with Towns Hub and draw down of support and advice
- Report back to next Board meeting in September on outcomes and key lines of inquiry and provide interim progress report to be circulated via email to the Board before the August BH