

DUTY TO CO-OPERATE
FYLDE COAST AUTHORITIES AND LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

3rd. JULY 2015

2.00 PM

BLACKPOOL COUNCIL OFFICES, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS

3RD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

MINUTES OF MEETING

Attendees:

- Mike Eastham (ME)** - Fylde Council
Rea Psillidou (RP) - Wyre Borough Council
Rob Green (RG) - EDC
Jane Saleh (JS) - Blackpool Council

Agenda Item		Action
1.	Apologies Marcus Hudson (MH) - Lancashire County Council Mark Evan – Fylde Council Julie Glaister – Fylde Council	
2.	Minutes of 9 March 2015 agreed subject to typo error in point 1.	
3.	Matters arising - Re minutes April 2015 Member meeting - minutes were requested to be circulated to the group	EJS and RP
4.	RG updated the Group with issues relating to the EDC Update on Enterprise Zone Blackpool Airport Initial submission January 2015. In March approved by Government in principle as a standalone EZ. Eight questions arose to which EDC and LEP had to respond. Meetings occurred in June 2015. No major stumbling blocks. Hoping that in emergency budget of 8 July EZ will be confirmed. Will become live from 6 April 2016. Programme Board being set up including EDC and Local Authorities. A masterplan will be commissioned for the site.	

	<p>Balfour Beatty at the Airport has been developing their masterplan. Reference was made to the permitted development rights in the Green Belt for Airports. The airport terminal is currently leased and may be demolished in next 6 months. Early development likely to occur in Zone C of the EZ. The former ING building – site around 43/44 acres some 1.4 million sq. ft. Potential refurbishment of existing building for engineering workshops etc. Consideration of potential to move the recreational facilities into the green belt and the former recreation area to be yards areas to support potential logistic business.</p> <p>Potentially could be a joint venture between local authorities and the owners. Issue of potential borrowing to be discussed with the LEP.</p> <p>Issue of enabling development was discussed and the concern of retail being included. EJS requested further discussion with RG on this matter,</p> <p>Some concerns have been raised by the Deputy Leader of Fylde and RG responded to the Chief Executive and subsequently gave a presentation on the EZ to Fylde Council Members. RG has also liaised with St. Annes Town Council via the Town Clerk and they now have a better understanding of the EZ for which they are supportive.</p> <p>The EZ is hopefully allowing the airport to stay open. The location of car parking was discussed and the proximity to airport facilities.</p> <p>The aim is for the EZ to become an energy hub.</p> <p>RP raised the issue of job growth and the link to job growth and ??? looking into this. Also the need to improve the appearance of Hillhouse and the signage.</p> <p>Fylde Coast Growth Accelerator Strategy</p> <p>RG updated the Group on the GAS. Intention that it goes to the Board Wednesday 8 July 2015. RG is accepting comments from the Fylde Coast Authorities. RG will be requesting from the Board to call a member meeting.</p> <p>Other Matters</p> <p>RG intends to respond to St. Annes Neighbourhood Plan</p>	
5.	<p>Update on Fylde Coast Highways and Transport Masterplan.</p> <p>As Marcus was not present the Group decided to defer this agenda item to the next meeting.</p> <p>ME tabled an email sent to Marcus by Mark Sims from Fylde Council regarding comments on the Masterplan (refer to attached). RP had also sent comments.</p>	

	<p>Discussion was had over the concern around the lack of communication by LCC on finalising the masterplan. It was felt that there is still uncertainty of the status of the masterplan and how 'live' a document the masterplan is.</p>	
6.	<p>Minerals and Waste update</p> <p>In the absence of Marcus this agenda item was deferred to the next meeting.</p>	
7.	<p>Local Plan Updates</p> <p>Blackpool – EJS updated the Group on the progress of the Core Strategy Main Modifications post the Examination Hearings and the intention to consult on the main mods over the summer for 6 to 8 weeks. Inspector has indicated he will work on his report during October. The intention was to try and get to full council in November but could be January 2016 due to lead in times for committee reports.</p> <p>Reference made to modifications relating to Wind Energy Development and whether need to do a further joint piece of work to conform to the guidance.</p> <p>EJS also reported that work will start on Part 2 of the Local Plan – Site Allocations and Development Management Policies in the Autumn. Also review of Holiday Accommodation SPD will commence in Autumn.</p> <p>Fylde – ME provided an update.</p> <p>All of the retail centres (town centre, district centres and local centres) and the the existing Employment sites have been surveyed; and the Sea Front Areas and the Holiday Areas have been reviewed by staff in the Planning Policy Team.</p> <p>The Call for sites resulted in the submission of approximately 140 sites, which included strategic sites. The quantum of development in the four Strategic Locations for Development has changed in the Revised Preferred Option (summer 2015). The technical assessments will be undertaken in the late summer and into the autumn.</p> <p>The Planning Policy Team has consulted the infrastructure providers and the statutory consultees on the draft Revised Preferred Option version of the Local Plan, and held a meeting with officers from Blackpool Council and Wyre Council on the plan and the Infrastructure Delivery Plan. The 24 July was the initial deadline to get back comments from infrastructure providers. Proposed to go to members for approval of document on 16 September 2015 for a 7 week consultation in October/November 2015. Aim is to adopt the plan March 2017.</p>	<p>Blackpool/Fylde/ Wyre</p>

	<p>Wyre – Currently consulting on Options and Issues document. Has included several consultation events including at Garstang and Poulton.</p> <p>Wyre constrained by flood risk and highways. In the urban area there are limited sites. Also undertaking a green belt review (not strategic).</p> <p>Meeting the housing requirement will be a challenge. NPL consultants are looking at job growth and housing requirement. In some sectors there is uncertainty about job growth. Further work to be completed by Turleys on Addendum 2. RP requested of Turleys a single figure as Turley have for Fylde.</p> <p>Beginning to consider DM policies and update what was done in 2012. Need to consult with stakeholders and with EA and UU over DM policies. Current programme - Draft Plan beginning of next year, Publication later in 2016. Adoption 2017</p>	
8.	<p>Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Show People</p> <p>Discussion around the lack of sites in the sub area. Fylde have raised the issue with LCC as to whether they have any land assets. RP referred to advice received that ‘no stone should remain unturned’ regarding looking for GT&S sites.</p> <p>Suggestion to email PAS or POS re housing developers enabling affordable pitch development.</p>	? who any offers?
9.	<p>Wind Energy Development</p> <p>Reference made to this under Agenda Item 7 – under Blackpool.</p>	
10	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p>None</p>	
11	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>TBC</p>	