

**Minutes of Board Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> May at Torbay Development Agency, Torquay**

**Attendees:-** Adam Chambers, Alan Denby, Andrew Leadbetter, Frances Brennan, Gordon Oliver, Jane Gallagher (Coast), Janet Powell (mins), Jenny Charteris (Gracewell Consulting) observing, Jon Bright (DCLG), Liz Waugh, Nick Ames, Paul Hickson, Philip Johnson (DCLG), Rachel Davies, Sally Edgington (BIS), Stephen Bird, Tim Jones (Chair), Vaughan Lindsay

**1. Welcome**

Chair welcomed, Jon Bright (DCLG), Phillip Johnson (DCLG), Andrew Leadbetter, observer for DCC and Jenny Charteris from Gracewell Consultancy also observing. Thanks to the Mayor and Alan for the use of the meeting room at Torbay Development Agency.

**Apologies**

Chris Grace, David Hall, Ian Coates (BIS), Keri Denton, Nick Engert, Sean Fielding, Simon Barker, Theo Leisjer (DCLG), Tudor Evans, Wendy Purcell

**2. Declarations of interest**

Adam Chambers will leave the meeting if Rural Growth is raised.  
Gordon Oliver and Alan Denby (TDA) will leave if GPF round 3 is discussed.

**3. Heseltine Report & the LEP's response**

Tim Jones delivered rationale behind the senior Whitehall Sponsor role, fulfilled by Jon Bright. Jon Bright is the sponsor for Cornwall and Isles of Scillies LEP. Philip Johnson from the strategy unit of DCLG supports Jon and will concentrate on the HOTSWS area and Theo Leisjer on Cornwall.

**4. HOTSWS LEP Governance**

Adam Chambers ran through the power point presentation on governance.

**5. Finances and Resource update**

AC provided a verbal update.

**6. CEO Recruitment update**

Information flagged as *confidential*.

**7. GPF**

LW explained that there are a number of options for the balance of the money and requests input from the Board on ways to do this. There was concern about how best to get the balance of funding out. AC suggested setting out criteria very clearly on competitive tendering approach: investment ready, creating jobs and that these should align with LEP's strategic priorities after the Board Away Day.

**8 Water Initiative**

Agreed to defer to next meeting.

**9. Approval of Board Minutes 7 March 2013**

Minutes were approved.

**10. Papers for noting**

# Local Enterprise Partnership

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## **AOB**

Vaughan Lindsey: event on 18<sup>th</sup> June, open to all LEPs to talk about Social Enterprise.

Gordon Oliver: First Great Western rail Franchise