

MIT REAP GROUP/INNOVATION BOARD

11.00 – 13.00, 25 FEBRUARY 2021 BY MICROSOFT TEAMS

AGENDA

In Attendance:

Sally Basker, Exeter Science Park

Stuart Brocklehurst, Applegate, LEP Board (Chair)

Chris Evans, University of Exeter

Jenny Mulligan, University of Plymouth

Alex Parmley, South Somerset District Council

Steve Pascoe, Babcock

Secretariat:

Andy Dean, University of Exeter

1. MIT REAP PROCESS REVIEW (CE)

All attendees to swiftly feedback on the following, in turn:

- What did we learn?
- What do we share? Do we publish findings?
- Do we want to continue to network with other areas/ideas we want to pick up from them?
- Engaging IDEs?
- Ongoing linkages to MIT

2. FEEDBACK FROM MEETINGS WITH UNIVERSITIES (SB)

3. UPDATE ON LOBBYING AND UPDATING MPs (SB)

4. ALLOCATING ACTIONS SIGNED-OFF BY LEP BOARD (SB) – LEP Board Paper attached.

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MEMBERSHIP OF IB AND ENTREPRENEURS PANEL

- Innovation Board should be chaired by an IDE entrepreneur & LEP board member – which has implications for LEP board recruitment
- Other members should be:
 - 2* universities

- 3* key research assets, Met Office, UKHO, PML
 - 2* science parks
 - 1 rep for innovation centres
 - SWIOT, also representing FE
 - 1 LA rep from ECC, PCC or DCC
 - 1 LA rep from the rest of the geography, ideally from Somerset
 - 1 or 2 corporate reps (possibly only 1, noting that Met Office is quasi corporate in this context)
 - 1 LEP Board Observer
 - 1 Innovate UK
- Establish new Entrepreneur Panel consisting of IDE entrepreneurs drawn from membership of TechSouthWest, TechNation, university collaboration schemes, innovation centre and science park tenants, bank and accountants' IDE clients
 - This could be large, as many would often not engage actively
 - Used to consult via quick surveys as well as occasional plenary sessions
 - Terms of Reference (to follow)

6. HEALTH TECH PROPOSAL

Two papers have been developed at the by Plymouth University at the behest of the LEP, regarding a new Health Tech Cluster development (Papers attached).

7. LEVELLING UP PIPELINE AND ECOSYSTEM DEVELOPMENT

Discuss the recent LEP Pipeline process and the positioning of Innovation and Enterprise support initiatives.

8. PROPOSAL – QUARTERLY IB MEETINGS AHEAD OF LEP BOARD MEETINGS

Remaining 2021 LEP Board Meetings

- Friday 23 April 9.30am – 12.30pm
- Friday 16 July 9.30am – 12.30pm
- Friday 22 October 9.30am – 12.30pm