

CHEADLE TOWNS FUND BOARD MEETING

Date	3 rd February 2023 at 15:30	
Venue	MS Teams	
Present	Brian Bradley - Chair, Partner Clarke Nicklin Sharon Seville - President, GM Chamber (Stockport) Mary Robinson, MP - MP for Cheadle, Conservative Cllr. Tom Morrison - Councillor Cheadle Hulme N. Lib Dem Cllr. David Meller - Councillor Cheadle Hulme N. Labour Phillip Gould-Bourn - Cheadle Village Partnership Paul Richards - Director of Development & Regeneration, SMBC Robert Botwright - Procurement Director, Circle Health <i>Observers / Presenters</i> Aaron Knowles - Cities & Local Growth Unit, BEIS & DLUHC Michael S. Fisher - Development and Regeneration, Manager, SMBC Adam Richmond - Rail Project Director, SMBC Oliver Williamson - Mary Robinson's PA	
Apologies	Rob Munro - Chair of Cheadle Village Partnership Dr Viren Mehta - Vice Chair, Cheadle Medical Practice Simon Elliott - Head of Rail Programme, TfGM Gerrard Kelly - Station Project Manager, SMBC Grace Popplewell - Cities & Local Growth Unit, BEIS & DLUHC Robert Goulsbra - Head of Development and Regeneration, SMBC David Hodcroft - GMCA	
Item		Actions
1.	Welcome and Introductions	
	Apologies received as above Brian Bradley (BB) undertook introductions and welcomed Phillip Gould-Bourn (PGB) to the Board On behalf of the Board, BB expressed his thanks to Rob Munro for his long standing contribution to the Town Board and his congratulations to Rob Munro in his new role as Bishop of Ebbsfleet TM also thanked Rob Munro for being the voice of the local community and send his heartfelt congratulations MR also sent her congratulations to Rob Munro and highlighted his long association with Cheadle PR expressed his appreciation of Rob Munro's support and close involvement in the Town Fund work	Noted and agreed

	Phillip Gould-Bourne introduced himself as Rob Munro's replacement on the Board and explained his role in the Cheadle Village Partnership and Cheadle Civic Society, including the Society's experience in organising events, knowledge of local heritage and their maintenance of Cheadle Village Green MR seconded Philip to become a Board member. Robert Botwright, Procurement Director at Circle Health was formally welcomed as a Board member. Verbal confirmation was given that no Board member had any declarations of financial and personal interests.	Agreed Noted
2.	Actions from Last Meeting	
	All Actions covered under Item 3	Noted
3A.	Station Project Update: Adam Richmond, SMBC	
	AR provided the Board with a scheme reminder PR explained that following Cheadle Area Committee on 29th November 2022, and then Planning & Highways Committee (PHC) on 15th December 2022, the issuing of the planning decision was now delegated to offices. Further representations on behalf of Mr Daniel Maxwell of Maxwell Motors have been received regarding access across the footway in front of his garage. The Project Team have since replied. AR explained that the land agreement with Circle Health for the replacement car park was on-going AR noted that there were some gaps in the Network Rail timetable issued in December 2023, hence the timetable will be remodelled once the final version is issued later in February 2023. AR noted that a stakeholder meeting was planned with DfT rail leads in February 2023. AR also noted that Gerard Kelly has been seconded from TfGM to work on the station project. MR asked about reconvening the Rail Industry Rail Working Group. AR agreed that this was best reconvened once the new timetable modelling work was complete. BB asked about the overall delivery programme. AR replied that whilst some elements have been delayed the actual opening of the Station is dependent on NR's updated service timetable (usually	Noted Noted Noted Noted Noted Action: AR via MF Noted

	May and December each year), and therefore there is no change to when the station will be operational.	
3B.	Active Travel Project Update: Michael Fisher, SMBC	
	MF provided an overview of the scheme and progress on the three work packages: • Package A: Cheadle Road and Shiers Drive commenced 75% complete • Package B: through the Park commenced 90% complete • Package C: Stockport Road and Queens Gardens 99% complete with connection through to Newland Road 30% complete. PGB mentioned that he had walked the route and it took around 20 minutes. MR asked about any feedback on the scheme. MF replied that because there had been such close consultation feedback so far has been positive. MF mentioned that most works would complete by the end of March 2023 but that the commissioning of the signals for the crossings will take longer. MF suggested that June, during National Bike Week, might be a good opportunity to officially open the route with the community and to do communications. MF to update the Board after liaising with the Council's Transportation Officer.	Noted Noted Action: MF
3C.	Eco Business Park Project Update: Michael Fisher / Paul Richards, SMBC	
	MF reiterated the current design indicating c.110,000 sqft of new build light industrial employment space with clean energy generation and sustainability as a core focus. MF informed that the Board that the evaluation for the Development Manager was complete and that following a legal standstill period appointment would follow along with communications. PR agreed to invite the appointed DM to the next Board meeting. BB asked whether the DM role would lead to a redesign. PR replied that the DM would focus more on aspects such as layout and configuration to fit current market need rather than overall scale or the low carbon elements. Design would be progressed to RIBA stage 3 in support of a planning application later in the year. SS commented that the scheme will be a good showcase for the borough.	Noted Action: MF Noted Noted

4.	Accelerated Fund Project Update, Michael Fisher, SMBC	
	<u>Digital Information Point</u> MF confirmed that GPR surveys were now complete and the results show that the original proposed location for the DIP is problematic due to multiple services running beneath the ground. An alternative location outside the BT Exchange Building is being investigated with a site meeting to be arranged with BT property agents CBRE. The outcome of this meeting will be reported back to CVP and the Board. MR said that she preferred a DIP outside the BT Exchange due to the high footfall and wide pavement compared to other areas.	Noted Action: MF Noted
5.	AOB	
	BB requested that the festive vinyls in the BT Exchange should now be removed. BB suggested that new vinyls could be installed maybe showing the original station and the proposed new station. MR mentioned she had feedback that some businesses were not happy with the Parklet being in front of their shops. BB was concerned that he had not seen many people using it. MF replied that it was always intended that the Parklet would be reviewed once fully established. Feedback from the café directly opposite, via the District Centre Manager, has been positive.	Action: MF Noted Noted
	Next Towns Fund Board meeting to be in person, <u>Friday 14th April 2023 at 3.30pm</u>	

Abbreviations:

Aew - Architects
AF – Accelerated Fund (Towns Fund)
BCR – Benefit Cost Ratio
BEIS – Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy
BREEAM - Building Research Establishment's Environmental Assessment Method
CBRE – Property advisors
CVP – Cheadle Village Partnership
DIP – Digital Information Point
DJP – Diamond Jubilee Park
DfT – Department for Transport
DM – Development Manager
FBC – Full Business Case
Green Book – a five point business case tool used by Government
HMT – Her Majesties Treasury
HoT – Heads of Terms
LEP – Local Economic Partnership

DLUHC – Dept. for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (formerly MHCLG)
MCL – Mid Cheshire Line (railway)
M&E Plan – Monitoring & Evaluation Plan
NR – Network Rail
NSF – New Station Fund (Round 3)
S / OBC – Strategic / Outline Business Case
PF – Pell Frischmann
RJR – Restoring Your Railway (Ideas Fund)
SMBC – Stockport Metropolitan Council
SOBC – Strategic Outline Business Case
SWOT – Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats
SuDS – Sustainable Drainage System
TfGM – Transport for Greater Manchester
TIP – Town Investment Plan
ToR – Terms of Reference