

STOCKSBRIDGE TOWN DEAL BOARD MEETING
ACTION NOTES

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2020
14:30 – 16:00

**Held at Dransfield House,
Fox Valley, Sheffield S36 2AB
and via Zoom**

Board members attending:

- • Mark Dransfield, Dransfield Properties (DPL) (MD)
- • Gillian Duckworth, Director of Legal & Governance SCC (GAD)
- • Cllr Julie Grocutt, Sheffield City Council and Stocksbridge Town Council (DPL) (JG)
- • Chris Bell, Don Valley Railway Trust (CB)
- • John Crawshaw, Crawshaws Butchers (DPL) (JC)
- • Ian Sanderson, SLR Outlets (IS)
- • Tom Newman, Steel Valley Project (DPL) (TN)
- • Dave Cates (DC)

Also attending:


- Big Picture Company (Mike Thomson, Rob Arthur) (MT) (RA)
- Justin Homer, Area Lead, Sheffield City Region (Cities and Local Growth Unit) (JH)
- Amanda Holmes, Communications Director, Dransfield Properties (DPL) (AH)
- Joy Grant, Project Support Officer, SCC (JCG)

Apologies:

- • Miriam Cates MP for Penistone and Stocksbridge (MC)
- • Graham Silverwood, The Venue Trust & Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre (GS)
- • Mick Hood, Liberty Speciality Steels (MH)
- • Colin Blackburn, South Yorkshire LEP (CB)

	ITEM	ACTION NOTES	Action Owner/s
1	Welcome and confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting and discuss any issues arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MD welcomed AH & JC at Dransfield House and everyone else via Zoom.• The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.• There were no matters arising.	

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2	<p>Governance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Declaration of interest – to declare any interests in items on the agenda • Register of Interests to request any outstanding members to fill in and return the register of interest previously circulated 	<p>Governance:</p> <p>GAD reported that there was now a page on the Council website for governance information and that when the Stocksbridge website is up and running it will provide a link through to the Council website.</p> <p>Declaration of Interest:</p> <p>Any outstanding members to fill in and return the Declaration of Interest previously circulated.</p> <p>Register of Interests:</p> <p>Mark Dransfield has completed and submitted his form. Tom Newman submitted and completed his form after the meeting.</p> <p>John Crawshaw indicated he is in the process of completing his form.</p> <p>Any outstanding members to fill in and return the Register of Interest to Joy or Amanda.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>JC</p> <p>ALL</p>
3	<p>Update on towns fund budget and commissioned work GAD to outline the updated situation with the “seed fund” budget</p>	<p>GAD reported that the only update since last month is that the Amion project proposal/support has been deducted from the remaining sum. The attachment below was circulated to everyone prior to the meeting.</p> <p></p> <p>Stocksbridge Towns Fund Costs v3.xlsx</p>	
4	<p>Update on Amion appointment as Project Managers/ bid writers GAD / MD to update members on the outcome of the meeting with Amion and to discuss next steps</p>	<p>GAD & MD have a meeting on Friday with Amion to discuss the timetable and the next steps. If anyone else wants to join them on Friday they are more than welcome to do so. Amanda will send through the details.</p> <p>Amion have not been formally appointed as yet. Following Friday’s meeting, subject to approval, an official order will be placed with them.</p> <p>It was agreed that MD/GAD/JG would issue a briefing note once the timescales are ascertained.</p>	<p>AH</p> <p>MD/GAD/JG</p>


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5	Updates from Sub Committee	<p>➤ Town Centre Sub Committee – Mark Dransfield</p> <p>MD provided an update on the document Vision for Stocksbridge</p> <p>Key elements of this are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Architecture – looking at the architecture of the area to come up with a scheme which we can consult on. e.g. archways as a theme running through High street would be very aesthetic. 2. Streetscape – would provide a positive feel and theme to run down High Street. The next step is, subject to Amion's approval, to get it costed and get the CPO values and property development appraisal to show that it works financially in order to secure funds from central government, and if Amion agree, to form part of our submission. We would be seen as a credible applicant who is able to deliver the scheme and deliver a long term income stream for the benefactors of this project. 3. Public involvement and feedback is crucial to the success of the scheme. MD reported that the public consultation should be in September, possibly October. 4. To look at other side of the road in conjunction with this. 5. To generate income from commercial spaces. 6. Green Hut – bike venue for people to hire bikes 7. Heritage – to stick with the heritage, with a new veneer which knits it all together. <p>GAD emphasised Amion's input into timing and that other work may need to be done first. This is a good vision for the High Street but the overall vision for Stocksbridge is key. Amion will provide a steer on how this fits in with that and what we need to do to get a Town Investment Plan that is all encompassing.</p> <p>JG commented that the proposals were good and the fact that housing is integrated into the plan and a link to Sheffield being an outdoor city, surrounded by countryside perfect for outdoor pursuits.</p> <p>Local Plan – TN suggested that this was an opportunity to feed this overarching vision for Stocksbridge into the Local Plan. There is considerable housing in the proposals. MD suggested that once we have met with Amion and get a steer from them they can guide us as to when we can go for a pre-app and if this should take place before the public consultation. We would also need backing from the Planners to help us to achieve this.</p> <p>JG suggested that we need to make sure we link into the Local Plan as the options document is out to consultation until 13 October. so we need a proper dialogue with the planning</p>	
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		<p>authority. GAD suggested that we consider if we submit a representation from the Town Deal Board. The signage and welcome greeting were also key.</p> <p>Gateways:</p> <p>MD highlighted that gateways are an important part of the overall scheme as the bulk of the money will be spent in the Centre.</p> <p>Trees – to create a tree lined boulevard along the Manchester Road at Stocksbridge.</p> <p>JG reported that the next Town Council meeting is on 10th September and AH was welcome to attend. The Amion steer will be there so we can brief them fully about what is going on.</p> <p>MD to circulate a briefing note via JCG to explain the process we're going through and where we've reached.</p> <p>GAD outlined that by beginning of October we should be clearer on timescales to enable us to do a better presentation to the Town Council. Timescales unknown at present but we should be able to judge this after Friday's meeting.</p> <p>MD/GAD/JG to have a discussion on Friday, agree a strategy, and if appropriate to, issue a briefing note then.</p>	<p>AH</p> <p>MD/JCG</p> <p>MD/GAD/JG</p>
		<p>➤ Infrastructure Sub Committee – Chris Bell</p> <p>CB reported that the rail scheme is to be resubmitted to the Restoring Your Railway Bid in November via Miriam's office. CB currently working on issues in terms of the budget relating to the Transport Needs Study and Trails Study for cycling and walking..</p> <p>GD suggested that further clarity was needed from Amion in terms of the depth of study required.</p> <p>CB expressed his concerns over what a sustainable budget would be.</p> <p>CB – resourcing getting train link to Stocksbridge. CB – submission to Sheffield Plan to raise our case. GAD suggested that Tom Finnegan-Smith & his team may be able to provide further guidance, rather than SCR. CB is currently in discussions with Miriam's team GAD to arrange a separate meeting with Miriam to discuss this matter further.</p>	<p>GAD</p>

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		<p>➤ Sustainability Sub Committee – Tom Newman</p> <p>Progress made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next Sustainability Sub Committee is scheduled to take place on Monday 14 September 2020. • TN has submitted project proposals for the study into the Little Don River project. • Meeting week after next to follow up trees with South Yorkshire Nature Partnership. South Yorkshire wide project as part of Northern Forest initiative which is a partnership with the Woodland Trust. • Feasibility study for planting trees in Stocksbridge is on the Agenda for the next Sub Committee. • Funding initiatives possible from Trees for Cities and Forestry Commission • GAD reported that the City Council Tree Strategy had been approved in March to affirm the Council's reputation of being a green city. • TN highlighted the need for Stocksbridge to have a wider identity as Stocksbridge in Bloom, to make Stocksbridge a more upmarket, more pleasant place, Investment in planters, sand and stone to get communities working together to look after their own town. • TN to provide a much more comprehensive update at the next meeting as he has only just returned from being furloughed. 	<p>TN</p>
		<p>➤ Industry and Skills Sub Committee – to include an update on the Towns Fund Website - Dave Cates / Amanda Holmes</p> <p>AH sent a link to everyone to the Stocksbridge vision. (post meeting).as below:</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>STOCKSBRIDGE VISION.pdf</p> </div> <p>AH reported that there was more content and the logo had now been created. Following the meeting with Amion on Friday it will be decided when the website will go live. AH reported that she has had 2 meetings with Northern College but is awaiting a steer from Amion. Also, had discussions with JH's team re costs but JH suggested that this be deferred until there is more clarity. GAD added that Kevin Straughan, Lifelong Learning & Skills, is now a member of this Sub Committee and he is keen to be involved as part of the Council's resources. DC to contact Sheffield Hallam University and Sheffield College to compliment the Northern College offering.</p>	<p>DC</p>

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		<p>➤ Health and Leisure Sub Committee – to include an update on the bid for the Stocksbridge Leisure Centre and Oxley Park discussed at the last TF meeting.- Graham Silverwood</p> <p>Graham Silverwood to provide an update on the Health & Leisure Sub Committee at next month's meeting.</p>	GS
6	The Big Picture Presentation	<p>➤ A short presentation was delivered by Mike Thomson and Rob Arthur from The Big Picture company about the feasibility study for a community cinema in Stocksbridge. This will be forwarded separately.</p>	JCG
7	Timescales and format for public consultation	A further note/update will be provided after the meeting with Amion on Friday.	MD/GAD/JG
8	Any other business	<p>JH appeared to confirm that the bid for additional funding had been successful but had a very poor connection on Zoom so it wasn't clear what he was saying. JH later circulated an email update to everyone – copy attached for reference.</p> <p> Justin Homer's email - Stocksbridge.docx</p>	
9	Date of next meeting	Thursday 15 October 2020, 11:30 to 13:00 at Dransfield House and via Zoom.	