Notes

OF A MEETING OF THE



Oxfordshire Growth Board Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Advisory Group

HELD ON THURSDAY 18 MARCH 2021 AT 10.00 AM VIRTUAL VIA MS TEAMS

Present:

Councillors: Robin Bennett, Colin Clarke, Jeff Haine, Debby Hallett, Alex Hollingsworth and Michele Mead, (Chair)

Officers: Adrian Colwell (Oxfordshire Plan 2050), James Gagg, (Oxfordshire County Council), Ahmed Goga (Oxfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership), Giles Hughes (West Oxfordshire District Council), Kevin Jacob (Oxfordshire Growth Board) and Paul Staines, (Oxfordshire Growth Board)

40 Apologies for absence and notifications of substitutes, declarations of interest; Chair's announcements

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Oxfordshire County Council and Councillor Anne-Marie Simpson, South Oxfordshire District Council, (substituted by Councillor Robin Bennett).

There were no declarations of interest.

The Chair welcomed Adrian Colwell to the meeting who outlined his role as Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Strategic Adviser in progressing the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 to the conclusion of the Regulation 18 (Part 2) consultation stage.

41 Notes of the previous meeting

The notes of the previous meeting held on 18 February 2021 were agreed.

42 Update on Local Transport and Connectivity Plan progress

The subgroup received a presentation from James Gagg, Principal Infrastructure Planner, Oxfordshire County Council giving an update on the Local Transport and Connectivity Plan, (LTCP) progress. It was noted that a copy of the presentation was publicly available on the Oxfordshire County Council website as part of consultation on the draft LTCP which was taking place between 15 February 2021 and 29 March 2021. It was stressed that the linkages between, and need to align the LTCP, with other key documents including the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 were fully recognised, particularly around zero carbon ambition.

In discussion, the subgroup referred to Park and Ride provision and that there was a need for a vision around how the focus for Park and Rides might shift from the traditional model towards sites becoming multimodal transport hubs. The subgroup was informed that the LTCP did consider Park and Ride provision and that in looking to future provision and design it was recognised that there a need to take stock of the best strategies available, including the National Bus Strategy.

The subgroup noted the update.

Discussion on the emerging options for the Reg 18 part 2 consultation - Part 2 of 2

The subgroup undertook the next planned discussion around the emerging options arising from the draft Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Regulation 18 (Part 2) Outline Consultation document, facilitated and supported by specialist officers. It was noted that public consultation as part of the Regulation 18 (Part 2) process was scheduled for June 2021.

Discussion of the document was focused upon the thematic policy areas of providing homes and creating jobs, creating strong and healthy communities and planning for sustainable travel and connectivity. As in its previous discussion of the draft, each policy area was divided into narrative points, overarching principles, alternative policy options and questions to be resolved. Members of group provided detailed feedback in respect of each policy area, which officers indicated would be considered carefully and an updated iteration of the draft document produced for future consideration by the subgroup.

44 Future meetings and work programme

The subgroup noted the dates of its future meetings as presented in the Agenda.

The meeting closed at 12.00 pm