

PLYMOUTH 2020 PARTNERSHIP

Date: Monday 21 May

Time: 12.30 – 14.30

<p>Present: Douglas Fletcher (Chair) (DF) Graham Stirling (V-Chair) (GS) Dawn Bebe (DB) Simon Chamberlain (SC) Phil Davies (PD) Adrian Dawson (AD) (Sub JB) David Draffan (DD) Cllr Tudor Evans (TE) Richard Thomas (RT) Dave Young (DY)</p> <p>Supporting Officers: Stephen Bashford (SB) Chris Grace (CG) Jeffery Kenyon (JK) David Lea (DL)</p> <p>Observers: Tom Crane (TC) David Parlby (DP)</p> <p>Invited attendees: Paul Barnard (PB) Matt Cross (MC) Abby Johnson (AJ) Anthony Payne (AP)</p>	<p>Organisation: Chamber of Commerce ESB On Shore Media Ultimate Succession City College Plymouth University of Plymouth Plymouth City Council Plymouth City Council FSB UNA Group</p> <p>Plymouth City Council Plymouth City Council Plymouth City Council Plymouth City Council</p> <p>Plymouth City Council Chamber of Commerce</p> <p>Plymouth City Council Plymouth City Council Culture Board Plymouth City Council</p>	<p>Email: Chairman@plymouth-chamber.co.uk Graham-stirling@btconnect.com dawnbebe@googlemail.com simon.chamberlain@ultimatesuccession.co.uk pdavies@cityplym.ac.uk adrian.dawson@plymouth.ac.uk david.draffan@plymouth.gov.uk tudor.evans@plymouth.co.uk energy@dartguard.com David.Young@theunagroup.co.uk</p> <p>Stephen.bashford@plymouth.gov.uk Christopher.grace@plymouth.gov.uk Jeffery.kenyon@plymouth.gov.uk David.lea@plymouth.gov.uk</p> <p>-</p> <p>david.parlby@plymouth-chamber.co.uk</p> <p>Paul.barnard@plymouth.gov.uk Matt.cross@plymouth.gov.uk Abby.johnson@plymouth.ac.uk Anthony.payne@plymouth.gov.uk</p>
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<p>Standing Down: Nigel Godefroy (NG) Roger Pipe (RP) Peter Whitehouse (PW)</p>	<p>Organisation: Private Sector Millfields Trust Babcock Marine</p>	<p>Email: n.godefroy@hotmail.co.uk rogerpipe@millfieldstrust.com peter.whitehouse@babcock.co.uk</p>

Item	Subject	Outcome
I	a. Welcome/Introductions/Apologies	
	<p>DF welcomed all attendees to the meeting and gave apologies as above.</p> <p>DF welcomed Councillor Tudor Evans, Leader of Plymouth City Council, to the meeting and invited all attendees to introduce themselves.</p>	
	b. Minutes of previous meetings	
	The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.	
	c. Matters Arising	
	<p>The following updates from the matters arising from the last meeting were given:</p> <p>Action 1. – The PESB activity is now covered by links between the Priority Sectors Co-ordinators at PCCI and the Growth Board’s Worklessness Sub-Group</p> <p>Action 2. – Marketing plan will be discussed later in the meeting.</p> <p>Action 3. – This is on-going in its nature, JK is continuing to inform people of funding streams as and when they become available. A call for RGF projects has been released to form part of the LEP proposal</p> <p>PD asked whether it would be possible to keep a track on who accesses these funding streams and when.</p> <p>Action 4. – DF has spoken to virtually all of the Priority Sector Champions. All of those that DF spoke to were willing to either take up a position on the board or maintain the position that they currently hold. DF is looking to implement changes to the Board by the July meeting.</p> <p>DF then asked for suggestions for Community sector reps.</p> <p>Action 5. – DD will report on this later in the meeting</p>	<p>1) Further update to be given at next meeting of the board</p> <p>2) As funding opportunities arise, a record of publicly available application will be provided.</p>

	<p>Action 6. – Presentation circulated to group</p> <p>Action 7. – Paper circulated to group</p> <p>Action 8/9. – The paper mentioned in these actions has been finalised.</p> <p>Action 10. – Presentation circulated to group</p>	
2	<p>Incoming Political Administration: Council priorities and overview</p>	
	<p>Councillor Tudor Evans (TE) explained that the Labour Manifesto will be implemented in its entirety over the next two years. He recognises that this will be a challenging task but is confident that it is achievable as long as pace of work increases.</p> <p>TE would like to see a large amount of focus placed on Cooperative working and on the strengths of the city in the Social Enterprise sector. This would include the creation of a new Community Economic Development Trust in an area such as Whitleigh / St. Budeaux / Honicknowle where unemployment is too high.</p> <p>TE also identified the retention of graduates as a high priority but the focus must be on getting them into work.</p> <p>While TE recognises that Plymouth has a strength in Wave Energy production he would like to see this diversify to include Solar Energy so this has been identified as a possible early win.</p> <p>TE would like to develop more focused lobbying tactics to increase the chance of the city being successful in accessing funding from central government.</p> <p>TE also recognised that there may be a need to realign some priorities outlined in the LES but stressed that this did not infer a re-write of the document.</p>	

3	Economic Intelligence Update	
	<p>SB gave a presentation relating to the key messages that have been outlined in the second edition of Plymouth’s Economic Review. SB tabled a draft copy of the document for Board Members consideration and requested any comments to be made by the end of the week (Friday 25 May).</p> <p>The review looks at the situation that businesses within the city are currently facing as well as addressing the issue of rebalancing the economy. DY asked whether the exporting figures for the city included sales from Princess Yachts to foreign buyers.</p>	<p>3) Circulate presentation</p> <p>4) SB will check whether the exporting figures for Plymouth include the Princess Yachts sales.</p>
4	Economic Development February – May update	
	<p>CG outlined the key areas of work that the Economic Development service has been working on between the months of February and May. CG emphasised that this document is in no way exhaustive.</p> <p>SC asked what Inward Investment activities are occurring through the council at the moment.</p> <p>CG explained that currently, due to resource constraints, the Council is primarily able to act in a reactive way by dealing with enquiries as and when they appear.</p>	
5	Plymouth Plan	
	<p>The growth agenda for the city is outlined and defined by the Local Economic Strategy, a document setting out aims and targets for the city to achieve by 2021 and extending into 2026, these include growing the population to 300,000 and creating 42,500 new jobs in the TTWA. This document was produced in 2006, a relatively strong period for growth across the region and has not been subject to any reviews at present but 2012 could afford the opportunity for this to happen through the Plymouth Plan process</p> <p>PB gave a presentation to the group explaining how over the coming months and through to 2015 a Plymouth Plan will be developed, this document will take into account</p>	<p>5) Circulate Presentation with minutes</p>

6	City of Culture	
	<p>AJ was invited to present to the PGB on the Culture Board's potential desire to submit an application for Plymouth to become the UK City of Culture 2017. AJ explained that this was a relatively new competition and was developed out of the European City of Culture competition, which both Liverpool and Glasgow have won gaining them European recognition and economic development through inward investment into the city. Derry / Londerry will host the first UK title in 2013.</p> <p>The Culture Board have outlined a number of objectives that could be achieved through an application including the facilitation of the development of a cultural economy within the city.</p> <p>The city that is named City of Culture will play host to a number of events throughout the year including the Brits, BBC sports personality of the year and the UK film festival. There is no financial prize for being successful other than the benefits that could come out of the raise in profile and inward investment.</p> <p>It is also believed that any bids will need to reflect the current economic climate so highly funded bids are not expected.</p> <p>AJ reported that all of the cities that applied to be the City of Culture have noticed a benefit from applying but not being successful.</p> <p>DF thanked AJ for the presentation and said that the Growth Board would support the Culture Board if it decided that Plymouth should apply, but that the decision to apply must rest with the Culture Board and the City Council.</p>	<p>9) Circulate presentation with minutes</p> <p>10) AJ asks for a decision from the Board as to whether it recommends the city does apply.</p>
7/8	<p>Actions 7/8 have been carried forward to the next meeting.</p>	<p>11) Add agenda items 7 and 8 to the agenda for the next meeting.</p>
	<p>DF thanked all attendees and closed the meeting.</p>	

The next meeting will take place on 16 July 2012, 12:30 – 15:00, at City College Plymouth.

Agreed forward dates:

8 October 2012

29 April 2013

17 December 2012

1 July 2013

4 March 2013

2 September 2013

Hosts for the above meetings are currently being sought. If you are able to host please contact David Lea on;

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