

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
GREATER LINCOLNSHIRE LEADERSHIP BOARD (JOINT COMMITTEE)
HELD ON FRIDAY 10 JUNE 2016 AT 10.00 AM AT LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY
COUNCIL OFFICES, LINCOLN**

Present:

Cllr Peter Bedford	Leader, Boston Borough Council (Chairman)
Cllr Ric Metcalfe	Leader, Lincoln City Council
Cllr Craig Leyland	Leader, East Lindsey District Council
Cllr Patricia Bradwell	Deputy Leader, Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Ray Oxby	Leader, North East Lincolnshire Council (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Mike Gallagher	Deputy Leader, North Kesteven District Council
Baroness Cllr Liz Redfern	Leader, North Lincolnshire Council
Cllr Malcolm Chandler	Deputy Leader, South Holland District Council
Cllr Teri Bryant	Executive Member, South Kesteven District Council
Cllr Jeff Summers	Leader, West Lindsey District Council
Ursula Lidbetter	Chair, Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership

In Attendance:

Angela Andrews	Chief Executive, Lincoln City Council
Stuart Davy	Chief Executive, East Lindsey District Council
Tony McArdle	Chief Executive, Lincolnshire County Council
Rob Walsh	Chief Executive, North East Lincolnshire Council
Ian Fytche	Chief Executive, North Kesteven District Council
Simon Driver	Chief Executive, North Lincolnshire Council
Gerry Dawson	Manager, South Holland District Council
Beverly Agass	Chief Executive, South Kesteven District Council
Manjeet Gill	Chief Executive, West Lindsey District Council
George Spiteri	Devolution Programme Manager, Lincolnshire County Council
James Gilbert	Communications, Consultation and Tourism Manager, ELDC
Elaine Henton	Secretariat

6. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Martin Hill, Cllr Marion Brighton, Lord Cllr Gary Porter and Cllr Bob Adams.

It was noted that Cllr Brighton was away from her Council duties at this time due to a sudden illness.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman write to Cllr Brighton on behalf of the Board to wish her a speedy recovery.

7. Declarations of Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared by members at the meeting.

8. Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 May 2016

It was moved by Cllr Ric Metcalfe and seconded by Cllr Ray Oxby that the minutes of the last meeting be approved.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Greater Lincolnshire Leadership Board (GLLB) held on 13 May 2016 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

9. Greater Lincolnshire Mayoral Combined Authority – Operational Considerations

The Board were asked to consider options for the operational structure of the Greater Lincolnshire Mayoral Combined Authority (GLMCA) and views were sought on the most pressing requirements and to comment on possible structures for implementation by the GLMCA.

The complexities of all Themes were discussed and the criticality to Skills was acknowledged, due to the resource intensive area based review occurring within the next few months. The important relationship between the Skills and Employment Board and GLLEP was noted.

RESOLVED:

- i) That Members agreed that informal working groups for Devolution themes be established, with the Secretary to the Board to circulate details of the agreed nominations.**
- ii) That a further report on the proposed committee system for future operating matters be brought to the next Board meeting for discussion.**

10. Greater Lincolnshire Devolution Agreement – Implementation Plan

The Board were informed of the work being undertaken in respect of an Implementation Plan ahead of the possible establishment of the GLMCA. The Board were asked to note the work being undertaken and the progress made on the Implementation Plan for Devolution Deal 1.

The Board acknowledged that the geographical limitations which are currently raising issues for the progression of the operational arrangements for both policing and for the commissioning of NHS services in Greater Lincolnshire (GL) are not just a problem for Lincolnshire but Countrywide.

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Board write to NHS England seeking a meeting to discuss boundaries in Lincolnshire.
- ii) That the GL Devolution Agreement – Implementation Plan report be noted.
- iii) That the Board approve for any further amendments to the Implementation Plan to be undertaken via email for approval prior to distribution.

11. Greater Lincolnshire Mayoral Combined Authority Statutory Consultation – Approval of Final Consultation Plan

The Board were asked to formally approve the consultation paper, consultation timescale and Communication Plan and individual communication items as detailed within the report. The Consultation will enable local residents, businesses and other interested parties to have their say on the scheme for the establishment of the GLMCA.

It was noted that GL is the first region to take forward a Devolution proposal from the outset with a Mayoral Combined Authority model.

A paper was tabled by Cllr Bryant on behalf of SKDC which sought clarification on Question 3 and 4 of the questionnaire of the Consultation Document (Appendix A) regarding the wording.

The need for consistency of the detail contained within all publications for the consultation exercise was discussed, together with ensuring access to all relevant information for an informed decision to be made by consultees. It was acknowledged that all households in GL will receive information on how to make their views known on the draft scheme, which should meet the requirements in terms of sufficiency for the Secretary of State.

RESOLVED:

- i) The Board agreed that consistency of detail contained within the consultation documentation must be undertaken.
- ii) That question 4 of the consultation include detail regarding the requirement for a change in legislation to enable the roles of the Directly Elected Mayor and the Police & Crime Commissioner to be combined.
- iii) That, with the change to Question 4 of the Consultation, the Board formally approve the consultation paper, consultation timescale and Communication Plan and individual communication items as detailed within the report.
- iv) That the consultation paper will be distributed via the County News to all households in Lincolnshire.
- v) That the paper tabled by Cllr Bryant be noted.

12. Greater Lincolnshire Mayoral Combined Authority – Further Devolution (Draft)

The proposed further devolution to the GLMCA document recently submitted to the Treasury was discussed. GL are seeking devolution of a further range of powers in order that the GLMCA commence operation with the greatest possible opportunity to pursue economic growth and transform public services in the area. These include the geographical limitations on progress, public protection, investment in infrastructure, advances food manufacturing, environmental management and business rates retention.

RESOLVED that the further devolution document be noted by the Board.

13. Date and Venue of Next Meeting

The date and venue of the next meeting of the Board was submitted for information.

RESOLVED that the date and venue of the next meeting was noted.

14. 2016/17 Calendar of Meetings

The dates for the 2016/17 calendar of meetings were submitted to the Board for information.

RESOLVED that the dates and venues of the forthcoming meetings for 2016/17 were noted.