

Paper One: Town Deal Progress Update Summary

Lincoln Town Deal Progress update at May 2023

HEAT, **Drill** and **Store of Stories** having completed the delivery phase and are now being monitored to measure/capture outputs outcomes and project impact. The programme team is working closely with the projects to support this. In addition, the Programme team have started to refine the monitoring frameworks with other projects in or about to start delivery – Lincoln Make Smarter and LCFC – to ensure data can start to be collected as soon as possible.

Lincoln Be Smarter project website launched in January with a formal event held on the 28th February. The application process is up and running and the first Grant Panel was held on the 2nd May.

LCFC has started on site, with completion expected within 12 months. The football club had a soft launch event at the beginning of May. A presentation will be given in respect of this project at the Town Board meeting.

Central Market is progressing well and on target for opening this autumn. Discussions have started with the Comms team regarding manging the opening and launch in October. The opportunity for Minster involvement has been flagged with DLUHC.

Greyfriars, **Barbican** and **LSIP** are still at pre-tender stage and as such currently have a higher risk status due to need for cost clarification prior to Grant Funding Agreement signing. The Barbican is currently undertaking a tender return review and analysis and an update on costs/deliverability is expected at the end of June next month. Subject to a positive outcome they are hoping to be on site in July and completed by May 2024. Greyfriars and LSIP – aren't programmed for delivery until end of this year and are progressing with design/cost assessment and pre-tender and we will be able to update further at the next meeting.

Lincoln Connected Project had a change in delivery partner as reported at the December meeting and a revised project plan in the form of a Digital Roadmap was completed at the beginning of May. This Plan, as the response to the project adjustment is currently being assurance reviewed prior to the necessary GFA variation. Tenders are currently being prepared for the new website provider, with a go live date targeted for December this year. A proposal for the provision of a signage strategy prior to a planning permission application and delivery of a pilot new signage scheme is also currently being assessed. Details of the Creative/

programme are still to be confirmed, but will be aligned with the delivery of the new website and new signage, to drive use and visitor numbers to the City centre.

Wigford Way and **Sincil Bank** are identified as key interventions within the Town investment Plan and the Lincoln Transport Strategy aimed at reducing severance, rebalancing options for sustainable travel, improving air quality and supporting the wider regeneration and development to unlock future growth.

Wigford Way feasibility report has now been completed but final costings are still awaited.

Sincil Bank Scheme has been rescoped by the County Council but a final proposal has not yet been received. Once received, the proposals will be assessed against Investment Plan objectives alongside options for addressing any gaps identified to ensure a viable investment is delivered. The emerging final scope is proposed for reporting and consideration at the next Town Board meeting.

Tentercroft Street Feasibility study– This has stalled primarily due to land acquisition progress and the uncertainty within the development sector – this position is now being addressed and delivery is now proposed for 24/25.

Recommendations

- That Committee recommend that once the final costs and scheme proposals for Sincil Bank and Wigford Way Projects have been received, officers review against Investment Plan objectives and review options if gaps are identified for reporting back to Board in September.
- That Committee agree to reschedule delivery of Tentercroft Street to 2024.