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Environmental Strategy Programme Board

25th November 2010, Chorlton Room, One First Street

Minutes

Present:

Chair: Vicky Rosin, Director of Neighbourhood Services (VR)

Esther Barnes, Environmental Strategy (EB)
 Jackie Potter, Corridor Partnership (JP)
 John Twigg, Manchester Airport Group (JT)
 Katie Brandon, Sustainable Neighbourhoods Partnership (KB)
 Keith Howcroft, Transport Policy Unit (KH)
 Kevin Fletcher, Capital Programme (KF)
 Louise Yates, Environmental Strategy (LY)
 Martin Oldfield, Housing (MO)
 Michael O'Doherty, Housing (MO'D)
 Cllr Nigel Murphy (Cllr NM)
 Richard Sharland, Environmental Strategy (RS)

Present for agenda items 1-4:

Steve Connor, Creative Concern (SC)
 Phil Korbel, 100 Months Club (PK)

Apologies:

Beverley Taylor, Neighbourhood Services (BT)
 David Lea, Commercial Services (DL)
 David Roscoe, City Centre Regeneration (DR)
 Helen Jones, Corporate Property (HJ)
 Ian Brown, Corporate Procurement (IB)
 John Frubin, Capital Programme (JF)
 John Lorimer, Capital Programme (JL)
 Julie Connor, Regeneration (JC)
 Lydia Morison, Corporate Property (LM)
 Mike Reardon, AGMA (MR)
 Paul Beardmore, Housing, (PBm)
 Peter Babb, Planning (PB)
 Pele Bhambar, Engineering Services (PBh)
 Sharon Kemp, Assistant Chief Executive, Performance (SK)
 Steve Turner, Commission for the New Economy (STu)
 Suzanne Price, NEM (SP)
 Trevor Jones, NHS (TJ)

Item	Discussion	Action
1.	Introductions and apologies As above	

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2.	<p>Minutes and Matters Arising</p> <p>Item 3- Delivery Plan RS updated the Board that the Delivery Plan had now been approved by Executive, and the next steps were delivery.</p> <p>Item 2 - Heat Networks MO'D advised that a feasibility study had been completed regarding the future of the existing Longsight district heat network as it is not currently performing efficiently.</p> <p>Item 6 – Peak Oil RS updated the Board that following discussion at both ESPB and EAP a paper containing suggestions will go to Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee in mid-December, and firm proposals then brought back to a future ESPB. RS also advised that a paper on “Green Jobs” was discussed at Economy, Employment and Skills Scrutiny Committee, a further report will be brought to ESPB in the new year.</p>	<p>RS</p> <p>RS</p>
	For discussion	
3.	<p>Cultural/behavioural change</p> <p>SC conducted a presentation on his top 10 rules of behavioural change. The Board then discussed the presentation and issues they had encountered including; trusting the source of the message; debating the different carrot-stick approaches; and how strong policy is required to support the message. The Board discussed themes of ‘leaning together’ in times of austerity to cut out unnecessary waste, and LY advised ‘The Big Challenge’ will be launched when sharepoint goes live encouraging staff to improve their environmental performance through a series of campaigns.</p> <p>A further report is to be brought to the Board on stakeholder engagement. SC gave an overview of the <i>Manchester - A Certain Future</i> Stakeholder Conference 2010, to be held on November 30th. The conference is oversubscribed and will be highly interactive, with an aim to get more organisations engaged in the stakeholder plan.</p>	<p>LY</p>
	For approval	
4.	<p>Internal Recognition Scheme</p> <p>RS presented a paper proposing a monthly recognition scheme for MCC staff making contributions towards the Delivery Plan. The Board were supportive and VR advised it is important ESPB are driving this and it should be lined up with The Big Challenge. KF highlighted the importance of baselining information prior to campaigns in order to demonstrate improvements. It was agreed that RS will now set up the scheme, and consider the lessons from the Board’s discussion in processes going forward.</p>	<p>RS</p>
5.	<p>New projects – refined list and business cases</p> <p>LY outlined the 4 projects included in the paper, and advised all 4 were to be put forward for funding from the Low Carbon Reserve, subject to Board and Revenue Gateway approval. LY also gave an overview of 5 small-scale projects to potentially be funded from the £89k Manchester Carbon Innovation Fund carry-over from the previous year. Cllr NM advised it was good to be testing out different projects with partners. KH advised RS that</p>	

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	city centre tree planting would need considering in respect of the proposed cross-city bus package which would go via Portland Street. JP advised there will be a lot of tree planting in the Corridor too as part of the public realm work. The Board agreed it will be good to have visible demonstration projects, but they must provide good value. The Board approved the 4 projects to progress through the respective gateways, plus the proposed projects to be funded from the CIF carry-over, to be formalised with Cllr NM.	RS LY
6.	Heat networks MOD presented an update paper on Heat Networks and advised that ARUP had now presented MCC with the first draft of their business case, it is important that the right levels of consultation are gained in order the business case is technically challenged. The business case will provide models of different levels of private investment. The project is in crucial stages of internal and external consultation and has pressing timescales due to the Town Hall cluster, but consultees must be given adequate time to consider it. The Board approved the paper.	
7.	Wythenshawe Local Nature Reserve RS outlined the proposal to create the eighth Local Nature Reserve (LNR) in the City in Wythenshawe. If approved this will mean the city then has 393ha of LNR in its boundaries, very close to the Natural England target for Manchester of 450ha. The Board agreed this was very positive and approved the paper based upon RS informing local members and the Wythenshawe area committee.	RS
	For information	
8.	Update on GM energy planning Deferred as PB was unable to attend.	
9.	GM Climate Change Strategy Update RS advised that this process was underway with a desk study, and a paper with firmer proposals will be brought to a future ESPB for discussion.	RS
10.	ELENA bid RS informed the Board that MCC are now in the final stages of putting a preliminary bid to ELENA for technical assistance for projects; this will contain Corridor, City and GM dimensions. RS to provide a further report when the later bid is being submitted.	RS
11.	Project Reporting and Highlight Report No projects rated as red this month, it was agreed that the project updates that hadn't been received needed to be chased. KB advised that behavioural change projects can take a long time to demonstrate success.	
12.	AOB JT and RS advised that Eindhoven wanted to partner with Manchester on a Green Airports Programme. It was agreed that JT/RS progress this. MO advised that Government were consulting on the backlog of Decent Homes and authority's views on CESP, Green Deal etc. RS advised if	JT/RS

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	<p>there is sufficient time then Cllr NM, VR and RS may like to comment too, along with a GM angle.</p> <p>JP said that the Corridor would be hosting a large screen that can be used to promote low-carbon messages.</p> <p>KF said that a University of Manchester project is being completed so an understanding of MACF can be embedded in project management.</p>	
	<p>Next Meeting Date</p> <p>Tuesday 25th January, 2.02 Chorlton Room, One First St, 10.00 – 11.30</p>	