

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE
FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS
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06/04/2021	Constitution and timetable of meetings 2021/22	Approve the timetable of meetings for 2021/22. Approve the amendments to the BCJC Constitution and Terms of Reference. Approve the amendments to the BCJC Working Protocols.	Helen Paterson ChiefExecutive@walsall.gov.uk	Dudley MBC Sandwell MBC Walsall MBC City of Wolverhampton Council	23/06/2021
04/01/2021	Black Country LEP Assurance Framework	Approval of the revised Black Country LEP Assurance Framework, included as an interactive Attachment 1 to the report.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	23/06/2021
10/05/2021	IT Digital Skills and Innovation	Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with PTP Ltd, to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the IT Digital Skills and Innovation project with delivery to continue up to the 2024/25 financial year.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	23/06/2021
10/05/2021	Black Country Digital Strategy	Approval for the Accountable Body (Walsall Council) to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Black Country Consortium Ltd to develop Black Country Digital Strategy, initially funded from within the Growing Places revenue budget, and where applicable and eligible, recharged to the Black Country Digital Fund.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	23/06/2021
10/05/2021	Local Growth Fund – Growth Deal Programme Approval of the 2020/21 Programme Spend	Approval of the year end position of the Growth Deal Projects, reflecting all changes to the Programme (Funding and Outputs) throughout the year and, to maximise the 2020/21 Growth Deal allocation expenditure, requests approval for various changes detailed in Attachment 1 of the report.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	23/06/2021

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		<p>Approval of the Very Light Rail Test Track project expenditure in 2020/21 (currently funded from Growth Deal) is charged to the Getting Building Fund, to utilise unspent 2020/21 budgets allocated to the Very Light Rail National Innovation Centre project.</p> <p>Approval of the Growing Places Fund (utilised to over-programme Growth Deal) is used to fund the Very Light Rail National Innovation Centre project costs in 2021/22, as the variance represents slippage rather than underspend. This will ensure that the Getting Building funds allocated to the Black Country in 2020/21 are fully utilised.</p>			
10/05/2021	Getting Building Fund – Programme Approval of the 2020/21 Programme Spend	<p>Approval of the current position of the Getting Building Fund Projects, reflecting all changes to the programme throughout the year and, to maximise the 2020/21 Getting Building Fund allocation expenditure.</p> <p>Approval of the Very Light Rail Test Track project expenditure incurred in 2020/21 on the Local Growth Fund (LGF) programme can be used to claim any programme underspend to ensure that the Getting Building fund allocated to the Black Country in 2020/21 is fully utilised.</p>	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	23/06/2021

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10/05/2021	Land and Property Investment Fund Programme Approval of the 2020/21 Programme Spend	Approval of the current position of the Land and Property Investment Fund Projects, reflecting all changes to the Land and Property Investment Fund Programme (Funding and Outputs) throughout the year and, to maximise the 2020/21 allocation.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	23/06/2021
07/06/2021	YMCA Cleveland Road – Additional Funding Request	Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement for the additional grant funding in 2020/21, subject to funding being available, with the YMCA Black Country Group to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the YMCA Cleveland Road project with delivery to continue up to the 2024/25 financial year.	Papers TBC – Richard Lawrence Richard.Lawrence@wolverhampton.gov.uk	Wolverhampton City Council	23/06/2021
06/04/2021	Local Growth Fund (LGF) Programme changes Dudley Advanced Construction Centre	Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Dudley College, to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Dudley Advanced Construction Centre project with delivery to continue in the 2021/22 financial year.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	25/08/2021

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	<p>Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail and Autonomous Technologies – Test Track 1 Project</p> <p>Bilston Urban Village</p>	<p>Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Dudley Council to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail and Autonomous Technologies – Test Track 1 project with delivery to continue in the 2021/22 financial year.</p> <p>Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council, to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Bilston Urban Village project with delivery to continue in the 2021/22 financial year.</p>			