

BLACK COUNTRY EXECUTIVE JOINT COMMITTEE
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04/01/2021	Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail and Autonomous Technologies – National Innovation Centre	Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to enter into a Grant Agreement with Dudley Council to deliver the Local Growth Deal Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail and Autonomous Technologies – National Innovation Centre project with delivery to commence in the 2021/22 financial year.	Papers TBC – Helen Martin Helen.Martin@dudley.gov.uk	Dudley Council	31/03/2021
04/01/2021	Getting Building Fund – Capital and Revenue Funding Approval	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval for the Accountable Body (Walsall Council) to use the revenue funding and capital contingency funding for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walsall Council to carry out its role as Accountable Body to the Getting Building Fund programme, and • Walsall Council to cover the costs of the external legal and technical fees in support of managing the programme. 2. Approval for the Accountable Body (Walsall Council) to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Black Country Consortium for the Management and Administration functions of the Getting Building Fund. 3. Approval for the Accountable Body (Walsall Council) to proceed to re-profile the Getting Building Fund (GBF) projects Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail and Autonomous Technologies – Innovation Centre (Dudley Council), and the National Brownfield Institute Phase 2 - Construction and Delivery (University of Wolverhampton). 	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	31/03/2021

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04/01/2021	Land & Property Investment Fund – Programme Extension	<p>Approval for the Black Country Land and Property Investment Fund programme (LPIF), be re-profiled to allow expenditure and outputs to be claimed up to March 2025.</p> <p>Approval for the programme management costs, within this fund be reprofiled to March 2026, to ensure that the expenditure and outputs are audited in line with the Black Country Assurance Framework.</p>	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	31/03/2021
08/02/2021	Wolverhampton Canalside – Change Request	Approval for Sandwell Council to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council, to deliver the Growing Places Fund (GPF) funded elements of the Wolverhampton Canalside project with delivery to conclude in the 2021/22 financial year.	Papers TBC – Richard Lawrence Richard.Lawrence@wolverhampton.gov.uk	Wolverhampton City Council	31/03/2021
05/10/2020	Dudley Advanced Construction Centre – Change Request	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 – Helen Martin Helen.Martin@dudley.gov.uk	Dudley Council	28/04/2021
07/09/2020	Elite Centre for Manufacturing Skills – Change Request	Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with the University of Wolverhampton, to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Elite Centre for Manufacturing Skills project with delivery to continue in the 2021/22 financial year.	Papers TBC – Richard Lawrence Richard.Lawrence@wolverhampton.gov.uk	Wolverhampton City Council	28/04/2021
08/02/2021	Hub to Home Transport Innovation Centre and Test Track Project: Very Light Rail	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 Deal Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Hub to Home Transport	Papers TBC – Helen Martin Helen.Martin@dudley.gov.uk	Dudley Council	28/04/2021

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	and Autonomous Technologies – Test Track 1 Project Change Request	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.			
04/01/2021	Black Country LEP Assurance Framework	Approval of the revised Black Country LEP Assurance Framework, following the implementation requirements of the new Black Country Executive Joint Committee Governance arrangements, and the programme of continuous improvement to further enhance the BC LEP governance and transparency above and beyond published government standards, included as Attachment 1 to this report.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	28/04/2021
01/03/2021	Bilston Urban Village Change Request	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.	Papers TBC – Richard Lawrence Richard.Lawrence@wolverhampton.gov.uk	Wolverhampton City Council	28/04/2021
01/03/2021	Goscote Lane Corridor Change Request	Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending the Grant Agreement with Walsall Housing Group Limited, to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the Goscote Lane Corridor project with delivery to continue in the 2021/22 financial year.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson simon.neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	28/04/2021
01/03/2021	Transport Major Road Network (MRN) Development	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 Accessing Growth Transport	Papers TBC – Richard Lawrence Richard.Lawrence@wolverhampton.gov.uk	Wolverhampton City Council	28/04/2021

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	Change Request	Major Road Network (MRN) Development project with delivery to continue in the 2021/22 financial year.			
01/03/2021	Growth Hub – Peer Networks Programme	Approval for the Accountable Body (Walsall Council) to enter into a grant agreement with the Black Country Consortium Ltd to deliver the Growth Hub Peer Networks Programme for 2021/22.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	28/04/2021
01/03/2021	Growth Hub Grant Funding Agreement Approval 2021/22	Approval for the Accountable Body for the Black Country Growth Hub (Walsall Council) to proceed to a Grant Agreement, with the Black Country Consortium Ltd, to deliver the Black Country Growth Hub Funding for 2021/22.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	28/04/2021
01/03/2021	Parallel 9/10 PRIVATE SESSION - Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act1972 (as amended)	Approval for Walsall Council to enter into a Grant Agreement with Cayborn Limited to deliver the Black Country Enterprise Zone (BCEZ) funded elements for the Parallel 9/10 project, with delivery to commence in the 2021/22 financial year. Approval that business rates from the wider BC EZ can be utilised by Walsall Council to repay borrowing costs, with Parallel 9/10 being confirmed as the next priority project in respect of the allocation of business rates, after Categories 1 – 6 as set out in the BCJC Collaboration Agreement.	Papers TBC – Simon Neilson Simon.Neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	28/04/2021