## **East Norwich Delivery Board – Minutes**

5 December 2024 – 11:30 - 12:30 Microsoft Teams

## **Members**

**Chair**: Bob Lane – Independent Member Cllr Stonard, Norwich City Council, Leader

Cllr. Paul Kendrick – Norwich City Council, Cabinet Member for Resources John East – Norwich City Council, Executive Director, Interim, Major Projects Louise Rawsthorne – Norwich City Council, Chief Executive

Cllr. Andrew Jamieson – Norfolk County Council, Cabinet Member for Finance Cllr. Graham Plant – Norfolk CC, Cabinet Member Highways, Infrastructure & Transport

Chris Starkie – Norfolk County Council, Director Growth & Investment Julia Krause – Homes England, Assistant Director, Market, Partners & Places (South)

Rob Rogers – Broads Authority, Director of Operations Phil Courtier – South Norfolk Council & Broadland DC, Director of Place Saul Humphrey – Independent Member

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Matt Tracey – Norfolk County Council, Growth & Infrastructure Manager Maria Hammond – Norwich City Council, East Norwich Programme Manager Rob Anderson – Norwich City Council, East Norwich Project Manager Andrew Turnbull – Norwich City Council, Development Strategy Manager Sarah Ashurst – Head of Planning & Regulatory Services Judith Davison – Norwich City Council, Planning Policy Team Leader Andrew Keeling – Norwich City Council, Regeneration Communications Lead Ruth Sainsbury – Broads Authority, Head of Planning Martin Woodhouse – PRD Consultants

Will Temple – PRD Consultants Bek Seeley – Place Partners

Item	Topic	Actions
1.	Welcome / Apologies / Introductions – BL	
	Apologies: Louise Rawsthorne; Cllr Plant; Sarah Ashurst; Judith Davison; Andrew Turnbull; Shelley Hall; Julia Krause; Ruth Sainsbury; Cllr Jamieson	
	Minutes from previous meeting: SH – flood zone and building safety act – two different issues – this needs to be corrected.	PM
	Check minutes with BL before publication.	PM/MH

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2.	Carrow Works opportunity update – JE/BS	
	Verbal update given.	
	Interest of Homes England is excellent.	
	JW – the relationship developed will hopefully result in bringing things forward easily and aligning with goals.	
	BS wanted to remind members that strategic alignment has been taking place, so certain things have been slowed down or sped up to align.	
3.	Bids for HE capacity funding – MH	
	Five bids have received a response:  1) Place narrative – investment and vision for EN as a place to live and work.  2) Carrow Works condition survey.  3) Strategy for meanwhile uses – identified through commercial review. Can look at what income can be generated to activate the 'place'.  4) Review of strategic infrastructure – how to get the most value and benefits.  5) Deal Ground and May Gurney solution study.  Clarified that HE are funding, but Norwich City Council (NCC) are commissioning and procuring the work.  JW pointed to the open letter from Matthew Pennycook Homes England Chair's letter - GOV.UK which reinforces that boosting housing supply and unlocking economic growth is a top priority for government.	
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4.	Planning and viability workstreams update – MH	
	Planning and viability workstreams have been paused.	
5.	East Norwich Economic Vision – PRD	
	Place narrative overlaps with the East Norwich economic vision. There are two workstreams that PRD have been working on:	
	<ol> <li>Norwich 2040 economic vision – a city-wide vision for the city's economy.</li> <li>East Norwich economic purpose.</li> </ol>	
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	EN has challenges but also strong opportunities for business demography change and emerging strengths in a new economy.	
	2040 vision developed in-depth programme bringing in data insights from key stakeholder engagement which is going to Cabinet shortly.  Defined sets of strategic priorities. Economic purpose of EN will be to provide capacity to support the growth and renewal of Norwich City Centre. Employment space at EN needs to tie into wider delivery priorities for the city centre	
	Discussed position of East Norwich and city centre as part of Greater Norwich. Ambition for East Norwich could have a bigger impact on wider areas and this needs to be shouted about more.  Need to conclude what we are trying to do in East Norwich, how to differentiate and have a clear USP for EN.	
	ACTION: Presentation by PRD to be circulated. Members to read and comment back to PRD to look at how to take this forward.	ALL
6.	Planning Update – MH	
	The National Planning Policy Framework is intended to be revised before Christmas.	
7.	Stakeholder Strategy – BS	
	No significant update.	
8.	AOB – BL	
	Thanks to all for supporting the project.	
	JW gave thanks to JE and AT for speaking with partners for HE as a result of our strong partnership.	
	Next meeting TBC	