

**HS2 EXECUTIVE BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2020  
RUFFORD SUITE, COUNTY HALL, WEST BRIDGFORD**

**Present:** Cllr Kay Cutts MBE – Nottinghamshire County Council (Chair)  
Cllr Mick Barker – Derby City Council  
Cllr Adele Williams – Nottingham City Council  
Cllr Trevor Pendleton – Leicestershire County Council  
Cllr Tricia Gilby – Chesterfield Borough Council  
Cllr Robert Ashman – NW Leicestershire District Council  
Cllr Milan Radulovic – Broxtowe Borough Council  
Ian Greenaway – East Midlands Chamber  
Jon Bottomley – East Midlands Airport  
Elizabeth Fagan – D2N2

**In attendance:** Ken Harrison – Midlands Engine  
Chris Hobson – East Midlands Chamber  
Sajeeda Rose – D2N2  
Andrew Gibbard – Derby City Council  
Ann Carruthers – Leicestershire County Council  
Steve Tough – Nottingham City Council  
Christine Durrant – Chesterfield Borough Council  
Joe Battye – Derbyshire County Council  
Jeremy Jaroszek – Erewash Borough Council  
Tom Pooler – HS2 Ltd  
Louise Clare – DfT  
Duncan Irons – Systra  
Stuart Young – East Midlands Councils  
Andrew Pritchard – East Midlands Councils

**Apologies:** Cllr Simon Spencer – Derbyshire County Council (Vice Chair)  
Cllr Christopher Poulter – Derby City Council  
Cllr David Mellen – Nottingham City Council  
Cllr Carol Hart – Erewash Borough Council  
Karen Smart – East Midlands Airport  
Lorna Pimlott – HS2 Ltd  
Mandip Rai – Leicester & Leicestershire LEP.

		<b>ACTION</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies and Introductions</b>	
1.1	Cllr Kay Cutts asked colleagues to introduce themselves.	
1.2	Apologies noted as above.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Minutes of last meeting</b>	
2.1	The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.	
2.2	There were no matters arising not on the agenda	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Oakervee Review &amp; Next steps</b>	
3.1	Andrew Pritchard provided an update on the Oakervee Review, efforts to engage MPs and to take a more co-ordinated approach to HS2 communications activity	
3.2	A Government decision on HS2 was expected during February 2020 – in the period after Brexit Day and before the Budget. The importance of engagement with MPs, many of whom may be new to Parliament, was highlighted.	
3.3	Cllr Trish Gilby and Cllr Mick Barker provided feedback from the Connecting Britain Parliamentary event which took place on the 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2020, and highlighted the need for the East Midlands to be better represented at future events.	
3.4	Stuart Young reported on the first meeting in this Parliament of the East Midlands APPG which took place on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2020, where a number of MPs agreed to write to the Prime Minister asking for a swift and positive decision on HS2.	
3.5	Cllr Cutts reported that she had convened a meeting of Nottinghamshire MPs on the 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 which would also discuss HS2 - and suggested that other County and City leaders convene similar meetings with their MPs if they have yet to do so.	<b>All</b>
3.6	Cllr Cutts proposed to ask East Midlands County and City leaders to write to the Prime Minister in similar terms to the East Midlands MPs to show the strength of feeling within local government in support of HS2.	<b>EMC</b>
3.7	It was agreed to establish an HS2 Communication Group comprising relevant officers from Executive Board members and convened by East Midlands Chamber with support from Midlands Connect, to ensure a more proactive and co-ordinated approach to communications around HS2 from across the East Midlands.	<b>EM Chamber</b>
3.8	The Executive Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Noted the current position on the Oakervee Review;</li> <li>• Supported efforts to engage with East Midlands MPs on the importance of HS2 to the East Midland and to draft a joint letter to the Prime Minister from East Midlands County and City leaders in support of HS2; and</li> </ul>	

		<b>ACTION</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Endorsed the establishment of an East Midlands 'HS2 Communications Group' to be convened by East Midlands Chamber.</li> </ul>	
<b>4.</b>	<b>East Midlands Gateway Connectivity Study</b>	
4.1	Andrew Pritchard introduced the report and supporting presentation which set out the final recommendations resulting from the East Midlands Gateways Connectivity Study on the interventions necessary to maximise the wider economic benefits of the proposed EM Hub Station at Toton – over and above the measures included in Government's HS2 Reference Case.	
4.2	It was reported that the Phase 1 package of interventions is designed to be in place by the time HS2 opens and would extend the Hub Station's population catchment by almost half a million people, including to communities in areas of multiple deprivation. The Phase 1 Package has an estimated Benefit to Cost Ratio (BCR) of 4.2 (transport user benefits only) - representing 'very high value for money' according to the DfT appraisal methodology (WebTAG).	
4.3	The Phase 2a and 2b packages would further improve connectivity to Derby, East Midlands Airport and Ratcliffe Power Station in the years after the Hub Station became operational, building on the growth in public transport patronage secured through Phase 1.	
4.4	Although the costs for these interventions are higher and the transport user benefits estimated to be lower at this stage, the combined package of Phase 1, 2a and 2b interventions still gives an BCR of 1.76 - which represents 'medium value for money'. In addition, the non-transport 'wider economic benefits' of the Phase 2a and 2b packages are likely to be substantial if proposals for a Locally Led Urban Development Corporation are successful.	
4.5	Cllr Milan Radulovic welcomed the proposals but asked that areas such as Kimberley and Eastwood were specifically highlighted in the presentation.	
4.6	Cllr Robert Ashman, Cllr Trevor Pendleton and Cllr Adele Williams welcomed the proposals but asked that the report's recommendation relating to Phases 2a and 2b be strengthened from 'Note' to something more positive.	
4.7	Through the Chair, Stuart Young proposed the words ' <i>Endorsed the need for further work....</i> ' Instead of 'Note'.	
4.8	<p>The Executive Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Considered the report and the supporting presentation;</li> <li>Endorsed the interventions recommended in the Phase 1 package as the basis for further engagement with the DfT, Midlands Connect and HS2 Ltd;</li> <li>Endorsed the need for further work on the longer term proposals set out in the Phase 2a and 2b packages; and</li> <li>Delegated sign off of the final report and Non-Technical Summary to the HS2 Delivery Group.</li> </ul>	<b>Delivery Group</b>

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<b>5.</b>	<b>Development Corporation Update</b>	
5.1	Ken Harrison provided a verbal update on the three key work-streams and reported that it was still proposed to submit an Outline Business Case to Government for a locally-led Urban Development Corporation in March 2020.	
<b>6</b>	<b>Delivery Board Updates</b>	
6.1	<b>Toton Hub Station Delivery Board</b> – Cllr Kay Cutts noted that last planned meeting had been cancelled due to the General Election, but that the Delivery Board will meet next on 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2020.	Delivery Group
6.2	<b>Chesterfield &amp; Staveley Delivery Board</b> – Cllr Tricia Gilby presented a paper on the work of the Chesterfield & Staveley Delivery Board which last met on the 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2019, and highlighted the positive news that Spanish Train-maker Talgo had decided to establish its UK HQ within the Borough at Barrow Hill, with a public launch event planned for the 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2020.	
6.3	<b>Skills &amp; Supply Chain Board</b> – Ian Greenaway gave a verbal update on the work of the Skills & Supply Chain Board which met on the 8th January 2020 at the University of Derby. Lack of resources remain a key concern, particularly for engagement with primary schools and with SMEs. It was suggested that there may be an opportunity to use the social value commitments within public sector procurement frameworks as a means of securing the necessary resources. It was agreed to ask the Delivery Group to give further consideration to the issue and any other suggestions and to report back to the next meeting of the Executive Board.	
6.4	<b>Mitigation Board</b> – Joe Battye reported that whilst the Board had not met since the last meeting due to both the General Election and the Oakervee Review, detailed work at officer level had continued, focussing particularly on the challenges within Long Eaton and around Hardwick Hall. A written report on activity will be presented to the next meeting of the Executive Board.	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
7.1	None	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Date of Future Meeting – all meetings held in Rufford Suite, County Hall, West Bridgford</b>	
	23 <sup>rd</sup> March: 10.30am – 12.30 pm 25 <sup>th</sup> June: 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm 24 <sup>th</sup> September: 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	