

Meeting:	<b>JOINT COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT</b>	
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## **GREATER NOTTINGHAM JOINT PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD**

### **1 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The Greater Nottingham Joint Planning Advisory Board (JPAB) oversees the preparation of aligned Local Plans across Greater Nottingham, and the implementation of projects funded through the partnership. This report updates the Joint Committee on the work of JPAB, and other strategic planning matters within the remit of the Committee.

### **2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The last meeting of JPAB was held on 18 June 2019. As the previous meeting held on 26 March was devoted to a workshop exploring options for sustainable growth in Greater Nottingham up to 2040, the latest available minutes are from the meeting held on 18 June, and these are appended to this report. A note of the workshop is to be considered by JPAB at its next meeting, when it will also receive the minutes of the meeting held on 8 January 2019.
- 2.2 A note of the workshop held on 26 March is also appended to this report.
- 2.3 A summary of the main issues discussed at the 18 June meeting is provided below.

#### **JPAB Meeting 18 June 2019**

- 2.4 JPAB received an update on the review of the Greater Nottingham Core Strategies, which has just begun. .
- 2.5 A three stage process to lead up to the “Growth Options” Consultation is being taken:-
- 1 Assess the Councils SHLAAs, in order to verify the capacity of the urban area of Nottingham to accommodate housing growth;
  - 2 Revisit the settlement hierarchy to make sure it is still fit for purpose (PUA, Regional Centres, Key Settlements for Growth, other villages);
  - 3 Assess Growth Options such as further Sustainable Urban Extensions, growing existing settlements, new settlements, growth corridors, etc.
- 2.6 The first part of this approach is now complete, and the consultants gave a presentation on their findings, which included recommendations to the Councils as to how the consistency between their SHLAAs can be increased.

- 2.7 A brief for parts 2 and 3 of the process is in preparation, to be commissioned shortly. This study will form a key plank of the evidence base which will underpin the forthcoming Growth Options Consultation, which will be the first public stage of the review of the Core Strategies. It will need to assess all reasonable options for growth, including options being promoted by the development industry. Accordingly, a “call for sites” has been issued, and any relevant sites proposed will feed into the study.
- 2.8 JPAB also considered the note of the Councillor Sustainable Growth Workshop, which was held on 26th March. The workshop was facilitated by an independent strategic planning consultant, who provided an overview of how long term Place Ambitions are being developed elsewhere within the context of joint planning, exploring some of the key issues that need to be addressed. A note of the workshop is appended to this report, and a short presentation on the conclusions of the workshop will be given to the Joint Committee.
- 2.9 A report updating the position with regard to Part 2 Local Plan preparation was also considered. It was noted that Broxtowe Borough, Nottingham City and Rushcliffe Boroughs have published Main Modifications, and anticipate receiving their Inspector’s reports over the course of the summer, allowing for adoption. Gedling have already adopted a Local Plan, Ashfield are commencing the preparation process, whilst Erewash have elected to rely on the Core Strategy, and not prepare a Part 2 Local Plan.
- 2.10 Reports were also presented for information on the Homes England grant funding for housing delivery, and the JPAB annual budget.
- 2.11 The next meeting of the JPAB is to be held on 24 September 2019.

### **3 RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Joint Committee note the contents of this report.

### **4 BACKGROUND PAPERS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

- 4.1 JPAB Papers, 18 June 2019.

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