

# Report to Economic Development Committee

7<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Agenda Item: 4

# REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR, PLACE

# HIGH SPEED TWO (HS2) - THE EAST MIDLANDS GROWTH STRATEGY

# **Purpose of the Report**

 To offer the Committee an overview of the economic development aspects of the proposed HS2 developments as they impact upon Nottinghamshire and the wider region, facilitated via a presentation by Andrew Pritchard, Director of Policy and Infrastructure at East Midlands Councils and member of the East Midlands HS2 Executive Team.

#### **Background**

- 2. This report and presentation is offered as an introduction to the HS2 as it impacts upon Nottinghamshire and the wider East Midlands area and specifically, focuses upon the economic development and growth aspects of the development of the HS2 line, the East Midlands Hub station and related aspects.
- 3. The East Midlands HS2 Strategic Board is developing a comprehensive HS2 Growth Strategy to be submitted to Government by July 2017 with the Council's Policy Committee endorsing the then "Emerging HS2 East Midlands Growth Strategy" at its meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016. The presentation will major on the economic opportunities afforded as a consequence of HS2, will review the Emerging Strategy as well as reflecting on the work that is progressing since then, and what progress is being made towards the final submission in July.
- 4. Members will be aware that reports on HS2 are generally considered by the Transport & Highways Committee, covering the preferred route, any proposed refinements and (road and rail) connectivity to the proposed East Midlands Hub Station with Policy Committee considering matters of policy such as referenced above. The Economic Development Committee has yet to receive a report on HS2 and while majoring on the Growth Strategy's progress, the presentation will offer some broader context and offer insight into the governance and management arrangements for HS2 and the Growth Strategy.

#### **Other Options Considered**

5. None. This report is for information and noting only.

#### **Financial Implications**

6. There are no financial implications arising as a consequence of this report.

#### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described within the body of the report.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

12. It is recommended that members note the contents of this report and the associated presentation and that future progress reports on the HS2 Economic Growth Strategy are brought to this Committee.

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### Constitutional Comments [LMcC 19/01/17]

The report is for noting only.

## Financial Comments [SES 20/01/17]

There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

#### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

- The East Midlands HS2 Growth Strategy Emerging Strategy: Fast Track to **Growth** East Midlands Strategic Board (September 2016)
- The East Midlands HS2 Growth Strategy Policy Committee (21st September 2016)

# **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

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