

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

NUNEATON TOWN DEAL BOARD

Date: 13th November 2020
From: Director – Regeneration & Housing
Subject: Town Investment Plan Update

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide the Board with an update in relation to the progress regarding the formulation of the Town Investment Plan (TIP).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Board note the report.


3. Background Information

- 3.1 The Towns Fund process is in two phases with a decision gateway at the end of each. The first phase requires the submission of a TIP. The TIP will then be assessed by the Ministry for Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG), with Heads of Terms offered to towns whose TIP is judged to be of sufficient quality.
- 3.2 Following discussion in relation to the merits to amending the submission date, following the announcement of Cohort 2a, at its meeting on 23rd October 2020, the Board resolved to move its submission of the TIP to cohort 2a, the deadline for which is the 11th December 2020.

4. Current Progress

Project Plan Revision

- 4.1 Following the decision to move to cohort 2a, the Project Plan has been further revised to reprofile the appropriate ensure the TIP is submitted on time. In order to meet the governance timetable, i.e., sign off by Board and sign off by Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council Cabinet (NBBC), completion of all documentation must be achieved by 27th November 2020;

ID		Ta M:	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish
17			Project Prioritisation			
18			Finalise Project Prioritisation Criteria	31 days	Fri 21/08/20	Fri 02/10/20
19			Populate Prioritisation template	22 days	Thu 24/09/20	Fri 23/10/20
20			Complete Green Book Appraisals	29 days	Thu 24/09/20	Tue 03/11/20
21			Confirm Project Evaluation Panel	0 days	Fri 23/10/20	Fri 23/10/20
22			Project Evaluation	2 days	Thu 05/11/20	Fri 06/11/20
23			Project Moderation	1 day	Mon 09/11/20	Mon 09/11/20
24			Project Endorsement - Board	0 days	Fri 13/11/20	Fri 13/11/20
25						
26			TIP Narrative Section			
27			Develop TIP Artwork / graphic design	40 days	Fri 02/10/20	Thu 26/11/20
28			Finalise ToC	52 days	Mon 07/09/20	Tue 17/11/20
29			Finalise Delivery Plan	46 days	Fri 18/09/20	Fri 20/11/20
30			Finalise Engagement Plan	33 days	Wed 16/09/20	Fri 30/10/20
31			Finalise Project Descriptions	32 days	Mon 28/09/20	Tue 10/11/20
32			Identification & production of relevant maps	68 days	Mon 24/08/20	Wed 25/11/20
33			Finalise Deliverability Assessment	49 days	Mon 14/09/20	Thu 19/11/20
34			Finalise Business Case Dev & Appraisal approach	37 days	Thu 01/10/20	Fri 20/11/20
35			Check & Challenge	1 day	Mon 09/11/20	Mon 09/11/20
36			Revise Draft Narrative	10 days	Tue 10/11/20	Mon 23/11/20
37						
38			Governance Arrangements			
39			Board Paperwork Prep & Publication	1 day	Fri 27/11/20	Fri 27/11/20
40			Board Sign Off	1 day	Fri 04/12/20	Fri 04/12/20
41			NBBC Cabinet Prep & Publication	1 day	Fri 27/11/20	Fri 27/11/20
42			NBBC Cabinet Sign Off	1 day	Wed 09/12/20	Wed 09/12/20
43			Final Checks	2 days	Thu 10/12/20	Fri 11/12/20
44			TIP Submission	0 days	Fri 11/12/20	Fri 11/12/20

Narrative

4.2 A second check & challenge has been undertaken, with the feedback being received 9th November 2020. The key points to continue to develop are:

- Expand upon the engagement undertaken, both as part of the TIP development and other engagement undertaken, for example, for the Future High Streets Fund;
- The flow of the document could be improved with a suggestion that the sections are re-positioned;
- The golden thread requires further strengthening;
- Expand upon the challenges and associated impacts for the town and describe them spatially;
- The Covid narrative is good;
- Good information on challenges and evidence of need;

4.3 The check and challenge also commented upon the outstanding information. This includes for example, the finalisation of the theory of change, both at a programme

level and at project level and the delivery plan. It is noted that these cannot be completed until the final project list has been agreed by Board.

- 4.4 The project team continue to refine the narrative. It has been agreed with the Town Deal Delivery Partner that section specific feedback will be undertaken moving forward, given that the remaining timeframe. A draft of the TIP narrative will be shared with the Board once all comments have been addressed.

Project Prioritisation

- 4.5 The Project Prioritisation Panel completed and submitted their assessments on Monday 9th November 2020. Moderation was undertaken on Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th November 2020. The Scores relating to the Green Book assessment were completed by the consultants on Wednesday 11th November 2020. All information was fed into the Project Prioritisation Tool to identify the overall scores for each project. The confidential paper at Agenda Item 8, deals with this matter in detail.

5 Conclusion

- 5.1 Progress continues and support and feedback continues to be sought from both the Town Deal Delivery Partner and the CLGU Lead. This is to ensure, as far as is possible, that we are able to submit a high quality TIP.