



**Leadership Gloucestershire – 25 July 2019**  
**Shire Hall, Gloucester**

**1 Welcome, introduction and apologies**

Name	Organisation	Apologies
Cllr Mark Hawthorne (Chair) Pete Bungard Jane Burns	Gloucestershire County Council	
Kathy O'Leary	Stroud District Council	Doina Cornell
Jon McGinty	Gloucester City Council	Cllr Paul James
Cllr Tim Gwilliam Cllr Paul Hiett Pete Williams	Forest of Dean District Council	
Cllr Steve Jordan Pat Pratley	Cheltenham Borough Council	
Cllr Joe Harris Nigel Adams	Cotswold District Council	
Cllr Jim Mason Mike Dawson	Tewkesbury Borough Council	Cllr Rob Bird
PCC Martin Surl	Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC)	Paul Trott
ACC Julian Moss	Gloucestershire Constabulary	Rod Hansen
Dr Andy Seymour	NHS Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)	Mary Hutton
David Owen Diane Savory	GFirst Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)	
	Area Lead for Gloucestershire, Cities and Local Growth Unit	Oliver Hindle
Andrea Clarke	Gloucestershire County Council	Simon Harper
Rob Weaver	For Rural Vision	

Mark Hawthorne informed the meeting that this was the last meeting for Pat Pratley and Jane Burns. He thanked them both for their support and service to the residents of Gloucestershire and for their support to these meetings.

## 2 Action notes

The PowerPoint slides from Mark Walkingshaw's presentation had not yet been circulated.

**Action – Simon Harper**

The Sustainable Energy Strategy remained work in progress.

One Place should be brought back to this group in the Autumn.

All other actions were included on the agenda.

## 3 Great Western Powerhouse (GWP)

Pete Bungard set the context for the discussion of the Great Western Powerhouse document 'A Powerhouse for the West' (July 2019) which had been circulated to all members of Leadership Gloucestershire (LG). This proposal was sponsored by Lord Kerslake and had been launched at an event at the House of Lords this month.

Pete was of the view that this proposal was worth consideration given its promotion of the economic strengths of this area, and was a good platform from which to potentially achieve the third Severn crossing and other major infrastructure projects, eg. improved rail connectivity. This proposal also reflected the 2050 vision regarding city regions.

LG agreed that it was disappointing that the LEPs had not been included within the development or discussion of this proposal. From Gloucestershire's perspective the LEP was an important partner in this work.

It was agreed that it was sensible for Gloucestershire to be involved in this work. It was noted that Gloucestershire was the only two tier LA area involved in this proposal. It was agreed that GCC should facilitate this work, and that LG should be the conduit for discussions going forward.

The recommendations in the proposal discussed the branding of this work. There was a shared view that as GWP had been in use for some time this branding should continue as it had already gained traction.

It was agreed that recommendation 7 was not helpful as it did not reference Gloucestershire.

Mark Hawthorne informed LG that he was scheduled to meet with the Leader of Cardiff City Council over the summer to discuss this proposal.

A particular challenge for the GWP would be how the governance was structured.

Mike Dawson commented that there needed to be a clear and aligned position for what a 'great Gloucestershire' would look like; collective aims and ambitions. Vision 2050 was the closest position statement.

Mark Hawthorne informed LG that Colin Chick, GCC Strategic Advisor (Communities and Infrastructure), was working on drawing together the future agenda for Gloucestershire and this ultimately would need to link into the LTP and spatial strategies, and the climate change and carbon neutral agendas. It was expected that this piece of work would land next year.

It was agreed that there would be an update on this matter at the 10 October 2019 meeting.

#### **4 Gloucestershire Vision 2050 Boards**

##### **a) Central Gloucestershire**

Mike Dawson informed LG that the inaugural meeting of the Board would be in late August/early September. There has been 90% sign up across partners.

##### **b) Severn Vale**

Kathy O'Leary presented the paper. It was agreed that that it would be important not to duplicate work that was being taken forward through GWP, and to also ensure that schemes were taken forward through the best channel, eg the M5 upgrade might be better placed within the GWP.

It was noted that Cllr Patrick Molyneux would be the GCC representative on this Board.

Andy Seymour questioned the lack of reference to health and wellbeing, and that it was important not to lose sight of these elements.

It was noted that the Police and Crime Plan was not referenced; this was an omission.

The governance arrangements would use the standard TOR previously agreed at LG.

##### **c) Rural Ambition**

Rob Weaver presented the report.

It was agreed that there needed to be a clear digital strategy for the whole of Gloucestershire. The work on Fastershire, in partnership with Herefordshire, was noted. Pete Bungard informed LG that the Fastershire team has been tasked with developing a proposal for future 5G provision in the county.

Jon McGinty commented that a digital/cyber strategy should be on the forward plan for LG.

**Action – Simon Harper**

It would be important to have clear information on the funding streams for the digital/cyber elements. It was hoped that government would give a steer on this soon.

## 5 **Youth Council**

The paper set out a proposed action plan for mapping the existing ‘touch points’ with young people and designing a co-produced structure.

David Owen informed LG that the LEP had looked at the potential for a youth board. The advice from the University and Colleges was that young people did not like to sit on boards. The young people who would be attracted to sitting on boards were not likely to be representative of the diverse youth population in the county. The LEP has commissioned a piece of work on a strategy for engaging with young people in Gloucestershire.

Julian Moss informed LG that this linked into the Child Friendly Gloucestershire work commissioned by the OPCC and led by Dame Janet Trotter. Dame Janet had just presented this work to the Gloucestershire Health and Wellbeing Board (GHWB) and the Board would receive regular updates. It was agreed that the report received by GHWB be shared with LG before any decisions were taken on the next steps.

Mark Hawthorne stated that it would be helpful to undertake an audit of what was already in place in the county.

It was agreed to invite Dame Janet Trotter to the next meeting.

**Action – Simon Harper**

## 6 **Future meetings and work programme**

The next meeting to be at Waterwells on 10 October 2019 and will start at 9.30am.

- PCC and Police to update as hosts
- Local Industrial Strategy – David Owen (needs 30 mins)
- Child Friendly Gloucestershire and mapping of youth engagement - Dame Janet Trotter to be invited
- Social Mobility Project Scoping (short item) from Jon McGinty

Progress reports on

- Rail Strategy
- Great Western Powerhouse – Pete Bungard
- Vison 2050 – Mike Dawson/Kathy O’Leary/Pete Williams
- One Place - Mary Hutton
- Emerging issues from the new government – Mark Hawthorne

The meeting on 19 December 2019 will now be at Tewkesbury Borough Council.