

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE HUMBER LEADERSHIP BOARD
Held at the Ergo Centre, Hessle on
22nd June 2023**

Present:

Hull City Council Cllr Michael Ross

East Riding of Yorkshire Council Cllr Anne Handley

North Lincolnshire Council Cllr Rob Waltham

North East Lincolnshire Council Cllr Philip Jackson
Cllr Stan Shreeve

Hull and East Yorkshire LEP (observer) James Newman

Officers Caroline Lacey - East Riding of Yorkshire Council
Alan Menzies – East Riding of Yorkshire Council
Matt Jukes – Hull City Council
Simon Green – North Lincolnshire Council
Rob Walsh – North East Lincolnshire Council
Sharon Wroot – North East Lincolnshire Council
Carolina Borgstrom – North East Lincolnshire Council
Paul Windley – North East Lincolnshire Council

HLB.1 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

RESOLVED – That Councillor Waltham be appointed as the Chair of the Humber Leadership Board for the municipal year 2023/24.

COUNCILLOR WALTHAM IN THE CHAIR

HLB.2 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence from this meeting were received from Councillor Dewhirst (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) and Councillor Hannigan (North Lincolnshire Council).

HLB.3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest in any item on the agenda for this meeting.

HLB.4 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Humber Leadership Board meeting held on 8th December 2022 were received as a correct record.

Councillor Jackson questioned whether there had been an further update on plans for the East Coast Wetlands, including the Humber Estuary, to become a potential World Heritage Site. Mr Windley noted that this had been progressed via the Joint Strategic Unit and their comments needed to be fed through the Chief Executives prior to being reported back to the Leaders.

HLB.5 **HUMBER FREEPORT - CREATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS SUB-COMMITTEE**

The Board received a paper providing an update on the developing Humber Freeport proposal and seeking to create a sub-committee to act as an appropriate forum to administer public funds used to support the Humber Freeport.

Councillor Jackson sought clarification of the proposed terms of reference for the Public Funds Sub-Committee around membership at paragraph 5.1 and what appeared to be contradictory passages in paragraphs 5.6 and 8.1.

It was agreed that clarification would be sought and an update provided to Board members.

RESOLVED – That a Public Funds Committee be created as a sub-committee of the Humber Leadership Board, in accordance with the terms of reference set out in Appendix 1 (subject to clarification around membership as referred to above), to facilitate the administration and defrayment of public funds in the support of the Humber Freeport.

HLB.6 **MARKETING HUMBER**

The Board discussed attendance at meetings of the Marketing Humber Board. It was noted that the organisation was now called Future Humber.

Ms Barley noted that marketing was a key workstream for the Humber Leadership Board and that Future Humber had asked if one of the Humber

Leaders would be interested in attending their board meetings as an observer. It was unclear whether this would be in a voting capacity.

The Board noted that the local authorities contributed significant resources to the work of Future Humber and felt that this should be reflected by representation from both the north bank and the south bank. Furthermore, the representatives should have voting rights. On that basis, it was agreed that Councillors Ross and Jackson would be put forward as representatives from the Humber Leadership Board.

In addition, the Board requested that representatives from Future Humber be invited to attend the Humber Leadership Board at the earliest opportunity to present their plans for the next 12 months. This invite would be extended to be on an annual basis.

RESOLVED –

1. That Councillors Ross and Jackson be nominated to be the Humber Leadership Board's representatives on the Future Humber Board, with full voting rights.
2. That representatives from Future Humber be invited to attend the Humber Leadership Board at the earliest opportunity to present their plans for the next 12 months and thereafter to be invited on an annual basis to report on progress.

HLB.7

URGENT BUSINESS

Councillor Jackson noted that a representative from the Greater Lincolnshire LEP was not in attendance at this meeting and he requested that it be checked that the new Chair had received an invite for future meetings.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.18 a.m.