

MANAGEMENT GROUP MEETING NOTES & ACTIONS

In attendance:

Steve Sawyer (MR BID), Karen Robins (L3 Harris) Nigel Tidy (Crawley Borough Council substitute for Clem Smith), Chris Oxlade (MR BID), Clare Silva (MR BID), Michael Deacon-Jackson (FTD Johns Ltd), Peter Smith (Crawley Borough Council), Tim Rose (Elektta), Yvonne Taylor (PPL Insights), Jeremy Taylor (The Company Connector), Martha Burnige (The Gatwick School), Paul Seale (P & H Motorcycles), Oliver Ellingham (Lok'nStore), Mel Mehmet (easitNETWORK), Keith Pordum (BonCulina), Steve Pullen (Varian), Mark Curtis (Split Image Limited), Jack Bedell-Pearce (4D Data Centres Ltd), Bob Lanzer (WSCC)

Apologies:

Nicola Blake (Creative Funding Solutions Ltd), Julie Kapsalis (Chichester College Group), John Trigg (Freedom Works), , Samantha Jackson (Welland Medical), Mike Harris (Harwoods Jaguar Land Rover), Sarah Goulder (Basepoint Centres Ltd), Jonathan Green (Virgin Atlantic Airways), Rachel Thomas (B&CE Benefit Schemes), Lynn Hainge (Crawley Borough Council), Jeremy Day (Doosan Power Systems), Alexandra Graham (The Gatwick School), Anthony Maynard (CGG), William Perks (Peter Perks Ltd), Clem Smith (Crawley Borough Council), Ryan Page (Espresso Solutions), Marie Ovenden (WSCC), Nick Burrell (WSCC), Trevor Williams (Thales UK), Samuel Evans (Transvalair), Markus Wood (Avensys), Paul Mcconalogue (Natwest)

Meeting outcome	Action / outcomes
<p>1 Welcome and Introductions Steve welcomed the group and gave apologies for Trevor Williams.</p> <p>ACTION 1: The minutes from 03 Feb 2021 were approved</p>	<p>The minutes from 03 Feb 2021 were approved.</p>
<p>2 Activity Update (full details can be found in the attached report)</p> <p>Steve Sawyer presented an overview of the latest BID activity update, highlighting key areas to note including:</p> <p>The makeup of Manor Royal The estate is becoming more industrial in nature in response to current market interest, particularly from the distribution and logistics sector.</p> <p>Michael Deacon Jackson told the group he feels this is an exciting change. He highlighted a number of the sites where there is activity.</p> <p>Peter Smith –advised he is excited about this refresh/repurposing of space and is interested in the groups views that the change of uses will have on employment level and skills required?</p> <p>Michael Deacon – Jackson advised that warehouses require less employees than offices.</p> <p>Karen Robins highlighted the high-quality training provided by Amazon which consists of inhouse degree apprenticeships up to Management level. L3 Harris have lost employees to Amazon due to their highly sought-after training programme and we can learn from</p>	

them.

Jeremy Taylor suggested tying in with Fusion Centre – IO education sector to be involved. How does this tie in with Crawley plan and the Gatwick green site – designated to sheds?

Steve Sawyer added “to clarify, Manor Royal will remain mixed use, and we are not moving to a distribution centre”.

Crawley Growth Programme

Steve Sawyer – advised that the bus lane along MR Road and junction will be happening.

Peter Smith responded to advise that there have been major issues with the covid cycling schemes and as a result the council are progressing cautiously and having to rethink the scheme, but it will be coming.

Martha Burnage asked whether the superhubs will impact on the microparks?

Steve Sawyer responded to say that the first 4 sites are not co-terminus with the superhubs so there is no impact on this first round of Micro-parks. However, the deeper micropark roll out are linked, and therefore there will be an impact which is tremendously frustrating.

Martha also asked for clarification over the A23 junctions. Does this include Fleming Way junction? Steve advised the BID will share a link to the Crawley Growth Programme work (www.manorroyal.org/cgp) Separately there are plans for improvements along Gatwick Road as part of the L3 Harris development. If there are any particular issues please contact the BID to pick this up separately.

Projects Pack – environmental Audit

The main purpose of this work is to explore bigger “transformative” projects that could be carried out to improve the facilities and public realm, while combining a more detailed “environmental audit” to identify low level grot spots that let Manor Royal down with ideas for how they might be resolved.

Crawley Town Centre BID

Steve Sawyer advised that the Crawley Town Centre BID now has its own team in place. Steve Sawyer has been supporting up until now, which has financially benefited the Manor Royal BID.

Towns Fund

The Management Group are asked to consider how they want to be involved in this work?

Nigel Tidy highlighted 2 key points:

1. Linkages between projects
2. Engage people moving forward to develop project cases

Innovation /Fusion Centre

Steve Sawyer highlighted frustrations over not being properly engaged in the process (aside from being asked to provide contacts), particularly given long-held and evidenced gap in the Manor Royal offer (referred to as the Business Hub) which aligns to the Innovation Centre and the priority attached to the Business Hub by the Management Group (January 2020), and the need for MRBD to be fully included in all the development of this project. Peter Smith advised he will raise the concerns regarding BID engagement.

Shocking road conditions

Steve Sawyer asked the group what their thoughts were on the state of the roads and whether they felt they were in poor condition?

Oliver Ellingham agreed that the roads are in a poor state.

ALL - feedback on involvement in the Towns Fund work on behalf of Manor Royal

Peter Smith to raise concerns

<p>Mark Curtis highlighted potholes as a real issue and repairs are temporary. He asked whether there is any come back from companies who do a bad job? End up with patchwork of repairs and feels this needs more consideration.</p> <p>Bob Lanzer mentioned that the road base isn't sound causing underlying surface issues however needs addressing.</p> <p>Jeremy Taylor advised that the Leader of WSCC tour of Manor Royal was successful previously, can we do this again? To both show the great things happening on MR and highlight the issue with roads and areas that let the place down.</p> <p>Steve Sawyer advised the group that the MR Rangers and Maintenance team are doing an informal audit to identify areas of concern. Steve also advised that Chris Oxlade is in the process of arranging a visit with Paul Marshall (Leader of West Sussex County Council).</p>	<p>The BID team to organise a Manor Royal tour</p>
<p>3 A.O.B Oliver Ellingham advised he hadn't received his BID invoice and contacted the council who have now sent it. Steve Sawyer advised he will investigate to ensure no further missed bills.</p>	<p>Steve Sawyer to investigate</p>
<p>Important Manor Royal Event Dates</p> <p>Manor Royal People Conference – Tuesday 22 June 2021, 10 am <i>healthy body, happy mind, better business</i> Delivered virtually using the interactive remo platform (as used at Know Your Neighbour). With inspirational speakers and interactive wellbeing breakout sessions. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK CLICK HERE</p> <p>World Wellbeing Week 21-25th June. The BID is supporting Wellbeing Week with a full week of wellbeing activities, including the People Conference. To find out more about the events and activities available from Zumba to wellbeing walks for all your employees, friends and family FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK CLICK HERE</p> <p>Please do share these events with your colleagues and help spread the word.</p>	<p>Please book your places using the links and share with colleagues</p>

All business having been completed the meeting was CLOSED at 11.00am