

MINUTES GREATER CARLTON NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD MEETING

Friday 23 May 2025, 17.00
Virtual Meeting

Present:

Board Members (voting)	David Stewart OBE	Chair
	Candida Brudenell	Retired. Formerly Assistant Chief Fire Officer at Notts Fire & Rescue Service, and Assistant Chief Executive and Corporate Director for Strategy and Resources at Nottingham City Council
	Cllr John Clarke	Leader of Gedling Borough Council
	Dawn Edwards	Director, Challenge Consulting and Regional Chair of Federation of Small Businesses (East Midlands)
	Val Green MBE	Founder and Chair, Friends of Gedling Borough Memorial Woodland
	Nathan Kenney	Director, Mapperley All Stars
	Michael Payne MP	MP for Gedling
	John Taylor	Planning and Property Consultant, Entente/Purico Ltd
Board Members (non voting)	Paddy Tipping CBE	Non-Exec Director of Notts Healthcare Trust, Chair of East Midlands LIFT Companies, Board Member of Framework, Chair of Notts Community Foundation
	Pat O'Brien	Gedling Climate Change Group
Other Partners:	Joelle Davis	Group Manager Growth, Infrastructure & Development, Notts County Council
Gedling Borough Council Observers/ Support:	Mike Hill	Chief Executive
	Tina Adams	Section 151 Officer
	Mike Avery	Director of Place
	Nathan Wall	Assistant Director - Growth & Regeneration
	Natalie Osei	Assistant Director – Governance & Democracy and Deputy Monitoring Officer
	Maria Ziolkowski	Executive Assistant (Minute Taker)

Mutual Ventures:	Mark Bandalli Luke Bevir Gill Callingham	Project Director Consultant Three-Year Investment Plan Lead
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Apologies:

Board Members (voting):	Dr Ian Campbell Peter Gaw Philip Gilbert	Senior Partner, Jubilee Park Medical Partnership Chief Executive, Inspire Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner
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Board Members (non-voting):	Claire Ward	Mayor, EMCCA
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25.001 INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

Apologies were noted and introductions made.

The meeting was confirmed quorate.

The Council and Michael Payne MP thanked everyone for making the time to attend and for their continued commitment to the programme.

25.002 NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD GOVERNANCE

Terms of Reference and Declarations of Interest

The Deputy Monitoring Officer reminded Board Members of the importance of not only declaring all interests on the forms for themselves (and spouses/partners as necessary) but also prior to discussion of specific agenda items. If a Board Member had an interest in a specific item, they would need to refrain from participating in the debate and the vote. If anyone was unsure, they should declare the potential interest and the relevant legal officer in attendance would confirm whether it was an interest or not.

Action: Board Members to return Declarations of Interests to the Deputy Monitoring Officer, and Terms of Reference to Executive Support.

Code of Conduct/Nolan Principles

The Council's Deputy Monitoring Officer ran through the code of conduct based on the principles of public life (Nolan Principles), reminding Board Members they should act with integrity, honesty and impartially.

If anyone had any questions they should contact the Deputy Monitoring Officer directly.

Appointment of Mutual Ventures

Mutual Ventures left the room while this item was discussed.

For the benefit of new Board Members, the Council officer explained the work Mutual Ventures had done previously on the programme and invited comments. Following discussion, the decision was made.

Decision: To reappoint Mutual Ventures following the restart of the programme.

For: Unanimous

Mutual Ventures were invited back into the meeting and informed of the decision.

Future Board Meetings

Officers suggested that meetings occur monthly. Following discussion, it was agreed to hold meetings alternately on a Thursday and Friday evening going forward.

25.003 **MHCLG CONFIRMATION REQUESTS COMPLETED**

Finalised Board Membership

The Council officer confirmed this had been submitted to MHCLG in accordance with the deadline given.

Default Boundary

The Council officer advised the boundary change agreed previously by the Greater Carlton Town Board had been submitted again. It was noted that confirmation of the change had not yet been received.

It was further noted that Val Green had voted against the boundary extension previously was still against the change to the original boundary.

25.004 **OVERVIEW OF 'PLAN FOR NEIGHBOURHOODS' GUIDANCE**

Mutual Ventures ran through a presentation showing the fund objectives, a summary of the requirements and timescales, the funding profile, any recent local developments, giving attention to the differences with the previous LTPFT guidance.

Ultimately the core pillars of the programme have stayed the same. Some small differences – now a 10-year Regeneration Plan and a 4-year Investment Plan, with slightly different holistic outcomes.

Still awaiting the data set from MHCLG, and further guidance on how the Regeneration Plan and Investment Plan should look, both of which require

submitting by winter. Have assumed a November submission but suspect would be a good thing if these can be agreed sooner.

Engagement should be carried out July-September.

Should take a proactive approach preparing for delivery (i.e. implementing the interventions) on 1 April 2026.

The Board was reminded the 10-year Vision document focussed on the areas strengths – communities, network of green spaces, heritage and cultural assets, and strong retail and business bases. The investment priorities were – Supporting young people to shape their own futures; Improving residents' health and wellbeing; Supporting local businesses.

Since the LTPFT vision and investment plan was agreed, there have been significant strategic developments on the Council's part with the progression of its draft Economic Growth Framework, draft Destination Management Plan, draft Heritage Strategy and the EMCCA/GBC UK Shared Prosperity Investment Plan.

Noted that MHCLG have advised of some pre-approved interventions that won't require a business case. MHCLG had provided case studies of interventions that had worked and a link to these was provided in the guidance document.

The Board was advised that Mutual Ventures have done a significant piece of work to determine what current interventions are covered by the list previously agreed by the Board for the LTPFT and have identified a single gap around reducing the levels of child poverty (a national problem). Regarding, Mr Taylor's question around the addition of housing, the Board was advised further work will be done to identify if other partnership were investing in those areas.

It was felt this work would give the Board the basis to have informed discussions over the next few meetings. It was recognised that aspirations had to be realistic.

Mr Payne stated the Board would need to use funding effectively and think carefully on how it would fit in with what other partners may be doing.

Noted that although detail had not yet been provided, it was believed that the measuring of outcomes of the interventions would follow the method used for UKSPF funding.

The Board was aware that residents would want to see potential changes quite quickly and did have 'quick win' interventions in the list that could be implemented while the systemic issues were being addressed in the longer term.

25.005 **SUGGESTED APPROACH, TIMESCALES AND KEY CONSIDERATIONS**

The Board was presented with two options:

1. Refine the LTPFT vision, investment priorities and interventions, or
2. Undertake a new process to identify a new vision, investment priorities and interventions.

After discussion the board voted on which option to take.

Decision: To decide on whether to refine the LTPFT vision, investment priorities and interventions already worked on or determine a new vision, investment priorities and interventions.

Unanimous vote for option 1.

Mutual Ventures advised what Option 1 will look like and suggested a working group be scheduled to undertake this piece of work. The Board agreed.

Action: Working group to be scheduled as soon as possible.

25.006 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Risk Register

It was agreed a risk register would be developed, which would include any potential impact of the Local Government Reorganisation. A working party to agree the risk register would be set up.

Action: Set up working party to develop a risk register

Mr Hill did note here that the boundaries within Nottinghamshire would most likely not change; the reorganisation would just result in a different accountable body taking responsibility for the programme.

Climate Impact Assessments for Projects

It was confirmed that all the projects would be managed according to the Council's project management strategy. Climate Impact Assessments were already a part of the Council's project reports.

The meeting ended at 18.39 with the Chair thanking everyone for their time and input.

Useful Links:

Prospectus - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/plan-for-neighbourhoods-prospectus-and-tools/plan-for-neighbourhoods-prospectus>

Governance and boundary guidance -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/plan-for-neighbourhoods-neighbourhood-boards-and-place-boundaries/plan-for-neighbourhoods-governance-and-boundary-guidance>