

HERTFORDSHIRE GROWTH BOARD – UPDATED TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR) 2020

1. To ensure alignment of spatial, economic and infrastructure plans for Hertfordshire in order to safeguard and maintain Hertfordshire's unique quality of life and prosperity.
2. To keep the joint Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County Council, District and Borough Council's, and the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) updated and reflecting how we will work together as equal partners with different roles, to manage future growth well in Hertfordshire. To review the MOU not less than bi-annually.
3. To take forward the agreed priorities in the work programme developed by the Hertfordshire Growth Board and secure their delivery.
4. To bring together the work of the emerging South West Herts Joint Planning and North, East and Central Herts Joint Planning groups, ensure strategic infrastructure requirements are identified and fed into the Hertfordshire Infrastructure and Funding prospectus.
5. To oversee the ongoing maintenance of the Hertfordshire Infrastructure and Funding prospectus and advise the County Council, the LEP and Local Transport Board on key infrastructure priorities needed to support economic and housing growth.
6. To develop innovative joint financial models and to seek external funding opportunities to fund the development and delivery of key infrastructure projects.
7. To monitor the development and delivery of agreed infrastructure projects.
8. To work with the Hertfordshire LEP on the development and delivery of the Local Industrial Strategy including the development of key employment sites.
9. To maintain particular focus on the regeneration of Hertfordshire's New Towns, Town Centres and development and delivery of new Garden Towns and Communities.
10. Act as the voice of Hertfordshire to Government, the emerging Sub National Transport bodies, Homes England, Highways England, Network Rail, Transport for London, Energy and Utility providers to ensure Hertfordshire's infrastructure needs (including Digital Connectivity) are heard and recognised in future investment priorities and funding.
11. To work with strategic partners across our borders to ensure effective coordination of cross border issues, decisions and infrastructure needs e.g. authorities in the LSCC, Ox-Cam Arc, Central Bedfordshire and Luton, London.

12. To guide the work of the Hertfordshire Infrastructure and Planning Partnership in relation to common cross cutting planning issues e.g. Viability Assessment, the development of the Community Infrastructure Levy, Skills and Capacity, Quality Standards for new development.
13. To develop effective engagement with the National Health Service in order to ensure future health service provision is aligned with spatial and economic growth.
14. To develop a Proposition and Growth Narrative for Hertfordshire and explore a Growth Deal with Government to secure long term infrastructure funding and planning freedom and flexibilities.
15. To publish Growth Board papers and minutes once agreed and retrospectively from April 2020 onwards. To develop and keep up to date a dedicated website presence for the work of the Growth Board.
16. To develop a long-term strategic vision that sets out the broad spatial economic and infrastructure framework for Hertfordshire to 2050.
17. To review these terms of reference not less than bi-annually.

HERTFORDSHIRE GROWTH BOARD MEMBERSHIP

- Leaders of Hertfordshire County Council and all Hertfordshire Borough/District Councils
- Chair of Hertfordshire Infrastructure Planning Partnership
- Chair of Hertfordshire LEP
- Chair of South West Herts Joint Planning Group
- Chair of North, East and Central Herts Joint Planning Group

OTHER MEMBERS/OBSERVERS

From time to time other Public Sector Leaders, Observers, Guest Presenters or similar may be invited to attend one off or multiple meetings of the Growth Board or attend in an on-going capacity as a Co-opted Member with the approval of the HGB.

FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS

- Six weekly meetings in 2020.

GROWTH BOARD – OFFICER SUPPORT GROUP¹

- Comprising:
 Director of Environment and Infrastructure HCC
 Chief Executive of the LEP
 Chief Executives or their Substitutes for Districts/Boroughs

¹ Wef April 2020 the Growth Board has also appointed a Director and other roles to help support its work programme delivery