

Agenda item 8

Hertfordshire Growth Board (HGB) – Growth Corridor Programme Boards Work Programme Updates

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1 Purpose of report

- 1.1 This report provides a short update on the overall progress of the Growth Corridor work programmes and projects since January 2022.
- 1.2 Attached at Appendix 1 are the updates from the latest Growth Corridor Programme Board meetings. The Growth Corridor Programme Board Political leads will provide highlights from each board at the meeting.

2 Updates on Growth Corridor Delivery Programmes and workstreams – June 2022

- 2.1 Appendix 1 has an update from each of the corridor projects showing the most recent milestones and current project status. The majority of projects are making good progress (green rated) there are no red rated projects at the moment. A review of the rating system has been undertaken and is being implemented across all workstream projects.
- 2.2 Oversight of the projects allows the programme boards to review any actions at a Growth Board level where these would assist the project to move forward.
- 2.3 Of note over the last period was progress on a number of workstreams, highlights on and related to this work include:
 - The Growth Study for the North East and Central Joint planning collaboration work has been procured and is now underway
 - The 'Vision, Opportunity Plan and Design Guide' for the Gunnels Wood Road area in Stevenage has been commissioned to support the cell and gene cluster work.
 - Additional national funding has been received for Harlow Gilston Garden Town and Hemel Garden Communities to support programme delivery
 - The Hertfordshire Offsite Manufacturing Guide has been produced, this is elsewhere on the agenda.

3 Next Steps

- 3.1 Priorities for the coming months are to review the work programme, provide support for the next stage of bids where appropriate (Levelling Up Fund Round 2, UK Shared Prosperity Fund) support the implementation of Community Renewal Fund projects like Community Wealth Building) along with the roll forward of the ongoing corridor programmes and project work.

4 Implications

- 4.1 There are no adverse legal, financial, equalities, environmental, sustainability or other implications arising from this report and its recommendations which support the ongoing work and priorities of the Growth Board.

5 Recommendations

- 5.1 That the Board note the project updates in Appendix 1 and overall progress across the Growth Board programme and individual workstreams since the last meeting.