



TEAM DONCASTER STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

28th May 2019

Present: Mayor Ros Jones; Damian Allen, Children and Families Executive Board; Dan Fell, Doncaster Chamber; Cllr Nuala Fennelly; Steve Helps, South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service; Rob Moore (representing Doncaster Children's Services Trust); Sharon Hancock (representing South Yorkshire Police); Jackie Pederson, Doncaster Clinical Commissioning Group; Paul Tanney, St Leger Homes; Sharon Thorpe, Dept. for Work and Pensions and Anne Tyrrell, Doncaster College

Also in attendance from Doncaster Council: Lee Tillman and Allan Wiltshire.

Michael McBurney (observer for agenda item 4: Inclusive Growth Anchor Institutions Strategy)

Saul Farrell and Michael Jameson (for agenda item 6: A Framework for Education and Skills in Doncaster: Consulting on a Vision for 2030)

1. Doncaster Growing Together (DGT) Update

Partners received an update on DGT programmes and a snap shot of progress including Social Mobility Opportunity Area; Education Inclusion; and Education Transformation (Learning Theme); Advance Employment Service; and Visitor Economy Strategy (Working Theme); Town Centre; Complex Lives; Housing – Homes for All; Get Doncaster Moving; and Arts, Creativity and Culture (Living Theme); Doncaster Place Plan (Caring Theme); and DGT Local and Community Engagement Strategy (Connected). A report will be presented at a future meeting on the activity being undertaken by the Homes for All Programme Board, including that to ensure appropriate public sector provision meets the increasing demand, brought about by the increase in housing development in the borough. A further discussion was sought on DGT Local and embedding an asset based community approach, particularly in relation to the Caring Theme and specifically, the Place Plan.

Items for Escalation from the Portfolio Group to Team Doncaster Strategic Partnership

- i. Challenges around engagement with some secondary schools; at a critical time for the Post-16 Education Review.
- ii. Anchor Institutions (see note 2 below).
- iii. Team Doncaster Annual Partnership Summit (see note 3 below).

2. Inclusive Growth Anchor Institutions Strategy

Partners considered how Anchor Institutions can contribute to the Doncaster Growing Together agenda, adding value to what we are trying to achieve; and opportunities to make connections, co-design and co-create. Next Steps will include:

- i. Focusing upon the approach taken by the Council through the 'buy local' campaign, by examining the potential to establish local procurement framework opportunities across the partnership, for lower level procurement below the thresholds for public sector procurement;
- ii. Examining our corporate responsibility role to building relationships to assist with volunteering, education, skills, social value and environmental concerns across Doncaster; and
- iii. Developing a charter and establishing a set of principles of collaboration for local spend and other aspects of the anchor Institutions work; and identifying the benefits of this approach.

3. Update on 2019 Team Doncaster (TD) Partnership Summit and Longer Term Vision

Partners made a commitment to support preparations for the TD Partnership Summit, including the development of a Partnership Delivery and Communications Plan; and the development and delivery of a 'Listening Exercise' over the summer. The TD Partnership Summit will be used as a catalyst to developing a long term vision for the borough that will inform a new version of Doncaster Growing Together (DGT 2.0). It was envisaged that DGT 2.0 would be launched in March 2020; and the refresh of other plans under the DGT umbrella should be aligned to this timescale.

4. A Framework for Education and Skills in Doncaster: Consulting on a Vision for 2030

Partners supported the approach, delivered at the meeting, that outlined the methodology used; key strengths and strong foundations; and key areas for development in producing a framework for Education and Skills in Doncaster, that will serve as the basis of a programme of consultation to define a co-produced strategy for Education and Skills to 2030.

5. Devolution Update

A two-staged approach was developing regarding the dialogue on Devolution:

- a) The implementation of the Sheffield City Region Deal to 2021; and
- b) The ongoing conversation on the wider Yorkshire deal post 2022.

Further meetings were planned for June/July. The revised Sheffield City Region governance proposals will be examined at a future Team Doncaster Strategic Partnership meeting to ensure partners take every opportunity to represent both their organisation and the borough at this level.

6. Update on Team Doncaster Partnership Structure Review

Partners were provided with an update on progress made, in taking forward the Team Doncaster Partnership Review actions, including confirmation that the final thematic workshops (Learning and Working) will be held during June with recommendations for change being presented in due course; an initial discussion to consider joint partnership staff training/leadership sessions will also take place in June; and the re-launch of the Inclusion and Fairness Forum will see the appointment of a new Leadership Team at the beginning of July.

7. Doncaster Council - Delivering for Doncaster Booklet (Quarterly Performance Update Q4 2018-19)

The Council has indicated that it would like to disseminate its quarterly performance update to partners. The Delivering for Doncaster Booklet was therefore presented information. It presented the Council's performance information including those borough wide improvements that impacts upon the economy. An electronic version of the Council's Q4 2018-19 Delivering for Doncaster Booklet can be found here:

<http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/the-council-democracy/corporate-plan>

8. Any Other Business

a. Jo Miller Partners expressed a wish to formally record their thanks to Jo Miller, who was leaving her post as Chief Executive at Doncaster Council, in particular with regard to her role in driving forward the Team Doncaster Partnership.

b. Doncaster - City Status It was suggested that the proposal for Doncaster to apply for 'city status' should be undertaken in conjunction with the refresh of partnership plans and setting our future ambitions; and that a Team Doncaster approach to any soft testing should be undertaken.