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MINUTES of a meeting of **VISION DERBYSHIRE JOINT COMMITTEE** held on Thursday, 28 September 2023 at Committee Room 1, County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor (in the Chair)

Councillors N Barker (North East Derbyshire District Council), J Dawson (Erewash Brough Council), C Emmas-Williams (Amber Valley Borough Council), S Flitter (Derbyshire Dales District Council), S Fritchley (Bolsover District Council), T Gilby (Chesterfield Borough Council), and A McKeown (High Peak Borough Council).

Also in attendance was E Alexander (Derbyshire County Council), H Bowen (Chesterfield Borough Council), S Gladwin (Amber Valley Borough Council), K Hanson (Bolsover District Council), L Hickin (North East Derbyshire District Council), J Jaroszek (Erewash Brough Council), A Stokes (High Peak Borough Council), and P Wilson (Derbyshire Dales District Council).

Apologies for absence were submitted for Councillor R Pearson (South Derbyshire District Council).

8/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

9/23 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 20 July 2023 be confirmed as a correct record with the addition of Councillor S Flitter's attendance.

10/23 DEVOLUTION AND EMCCA UPDATE

E Alexander introduced the item, providing the Committee with an update on Devolution and EMCCA.

Officers had confirmed that a lot of work was taking place, although timelines had been changeable due to delays in the bill receiving royal assent. They were confident that this would be complete in November 2023. There would then be a requirement to make a formal decision and give consent to the statutory instrument to enable the four councils to make decisions by the end of the calendar year.

It was expected that the creation of the combined authority would be in March 2024, followed by an election in May 2024.

11/23 VISION DERBYSHIRE ACTION PLAN 2023-24

S Eaton introduced the item, providing the Committee with an update on progress and work undertaken on key activity outlined in the agreed action plan 2023/24 since the last Vision Derbyshire Joint Committee in July 2023.

Members and Officers shared thanks to S Eaton for her work with the committee as she was leaving the authority for another role.

It had been confirmed that the next meeting of the Committee would be its last. Further work was taking place on what this would look like in the future.

RESOLVED to

1) Note the key milestones, activities and timeline in the Action Plan 2023/24 to deliver the necessary activities for the current financial year.

12/23 <u>VISION DERBYSHIRE STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP BOARD</u> <u>DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE</u>

R Lowe introduced the item, providing the Committee with an update on progress in establishing a new single governance framework for Derbyshire Councils, including the draft Terms of Reference for the new formal decision-making committee to be called the Strategic Leadership Board.

RESOLVED to

- 1) Note the progress in developing the draft Terms of Reference, articles and procedures for the new Strategic Leadership Board;
- 2) Consider the proposed arrangements and make comments and/or suggest amendments where appropriate; and
- 3) Receive a future report to finalise the Strategic Leadership Board's Terms of Reference for agreement at the next Vision Derbyshire Joint Committee on the 23 November 2023.

13/23 <u>VISION DERBYSHIRE UPDATE ON PROGRAMME RESOURCE</u> PROPOSALS

S Eaton introduced the item, providing the Committee with an update on progress since the last Vision Derbyshire Joint Committee (VDJC) and to consider and agree programme

resourcing proposals for 2023/24 and 2024/25.

RESOLVED to

- 1) Approve revised resourcing proposals for 2023/24 and 2024/25 to ensure there was sufficient capacity to take forward agreed work programmes;
- 2) Note the ongoing commitment for funding for the programme for the remainder of the 2023/24 period to be met by Derbyshire County Council to the value of £70,161; and
- 3) Agree, in principle, funding for the programme for the 2024/25 period to be met by the County Council, participating Councils through redirecting current funding for Derbyshire Economic Partnership and retained business rate funding.

14/23 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.