

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – RESOURCES**

**5 MARCH 2020**

**Report of the Chairman of the Committee**

**Local Enterprise Partnership Scrutiny Working Group – Progress Report**

**1. Purpose of the Report**

To inform the Committee of the progress made by the working group established to scrutinise the activities of the D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP).

**2. Information and Analysis**

This is the first progress report regarding the working group established, in September 2019, to scrutinise the activities of the D2N2 LEP. The working group is made up of Members from this Committee and a representative from each of the following councils: Bassetlaw District Council, Chesterfield Borough Council and Nottingham City Council.

At the first meeting of the working group (2 December 2019) evidence was received from Sajeeda Rose (Chief Executive, D2N2 LEP), Tom Goshawk (Head of Capital Programmes, D2N2 LEP), Natalie Gasson (Operations Manager D2N2 LEP) and Sarah Wainwright (Senior Accountant, Accountable Body). The focus of the meeting was on the measures that had been put in place to improve programme delivery since the LEP received the rating of “Requires improvement” for “Delivery” in the 2019 Annual Performance Review. Members were briefed on the LEP’s structure and governance arrangements before engaging in a question and answer session on risk management, project re-profiling and performance of the Local Growth Fund Programme.

The working group met again on 18 February to discuss the work programme, agree the approach for future challenge meetings and to begin the work of identifying lines of enquiry. It was agreed that the working group would meet again after the end of the financial year and after quarter 2. It was also agreed that the meetings would be structured around, but not restricted to, the LGF reports submitted to the Investment Board (namely, LGF Programme Performance Overview, LGF Budget, Output Performance Update, D2N2 Milestones)

**3. Officer’s Recommendations**

The Committee notes this progress report.