



## Sustainable Growth Board September 2023, 4pm Meeting Notes

### 1. Welcome & Introductions

- Chris welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced himself and Kate as the new co chairs of the Board.

### 2. Manifesto Discussion – David Dale

- David circulated the manifesto asks before the meeting for comment.
- A general election is expected next year so the manifesto asks are about what we think they should be doing different to tackle place issues.
- Comments from board members were noted and amends will be made where appropriate.

### 3. Round table discussion on devolution deals & other issues

- A round table discussion took place with board members on their devolution deals in place or those in progress.

### 4. Terms of Reference

- The Board Terms of Reference were circulated before the meeting for members to read. A discussion took place regarding any changes to be made.
- Do we need to remove reference to Covid 19?
- Changes need to be made to key personnel
- Do we want to have specific task & finish groups for future?
- Should include Combined Authorities in the list
- Board members happy to keep meetings at once a month
- Reference to the LEP will need to be removed at the appropriate time
- Do we want to include any further external representation in the meetings?

### 5. A.O.B & future agenda items

- Budget – particularly in relation to growth activities
- Dissolution of LEPs and how it is being handles by different councils
- Siobhan James will be invited to a future meeting
- Chris thanked Ian Thompson for chairing the Board for the last 2 years and looks forward to working with Kate in the future.

**Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 4pm