

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE HUMBER LEADERSHIP BOARD
Held at the Guildhall, Kingston-Upon-Hull on
8th December 2022**

Present:

<u>Hull City Council</u>	Cllr Michael Ross
<u>East Riding of Yorkshire Council</u>	Cllr Jonathan Owen Cllr Anne Handley
<u>North Lincolnshire Council</u>	Cllr Rob Waltham
<u>North East Lincolnshire Council</u>	Cllr Philip Jackson Cllr Stan Shreeve
<u>Hull and East Yorkshire LEP</u> (observer)	James Newman

Officers Caroline Lacey - East Riding of Yorkshire Council
 Mark Jones – Hull City Council
 Peter Thorpe – North Lincolnshire Council
 Simon Green – North Lincolnshire Council
 Rob Walsh – North East Lincolnshire Council
 Paul Windley – North East Lincolnshire Council

HLB.8 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence from this meeting.

HLB.9 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest in any item on the agenda for this meeting.

HLB.10 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Humber Leadership Board meeting held on 9th June 2022 were received as a correct record.

HLB.11 **EAST COAST WETLAND – WORLD HERITAGE SITE DESIGNATION**

The Board received an update from Richard Barnard of RSPB England on plans for the East Coast Wetlands, including the Humber Estuary, to become a potential World Heritage Site.

The Board sought assurance that there would be no impact on economic and industrial development around the estuary. Concerns were also raised about the cost of establishing and maintaining the World Heritage Site, particularly the required enhanced management plan.

The Board felt that further consideration of the implications of the proposal was required and agreed to refer it to relevant officers to examine the request in more detail and provide a view for the Leaders to consider.

RESOLVED – That the proposal for the East Coast Wetlands, including the Humber Estuary, to examine the request in more detail and provide a view for the Leaders to further consider.

HLB.12 **FREEPORT UPDATE**

The Board received a paper providing an update on the establishment of the Humber Freeport.

RESOLVED – That the update be noted.

HLB.13 **ENERGY UPDATE**

The Board considered a report providing an update on energy matters.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Humber Energy Board and its core activity of cohesion and advocacy for the region's energy and decarbonisation activity and investment opportunity, continue to be supported.
2. That the continuation of exploratory discussions as to the most efficient, resilient, and effective route forward for the Humber Industrial Cluster Programme, be supported.

HLB.14 **HUMBER BRIDGE BOARD**

The Board considered a report seeking confirmation of a change to the HEYLEP representation on the Humber Bridge Board.

The Board agreed to the change in principle but requested confirmation of whether the Greater Lincolnshire LEP had a representative on the Humber Bridge Board.

The Board also wished to place on record its thanks for Stephen Parnaby's contribution to the work of the Humber Bridge Board.

RESOLVED – That Tony Kirby replace Stephen Parnaby OBE as the HEYLEP representative on the Humber Bridge Board, subject to confirmation that the Greater Lincolnshire LEP also had a representative on the Humber Bridge Board.

HLB.15

FUTURE MEETING DATES

RESOLVED – That the following schedule of meetings for the Humber Leadership Board for 2023 be agreed:

- Thursday 9th March 2023 at 9.00am
- Thursday 22nd June 2023 at 9.00am
- Thursday 14th September 2023 at 9.00am
- Thursday 7th December 2023 at 9.00am

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.38 a.m.