

Subject:	Greater Brighton Economic Board 2018/19 Annual Report		
Date of Meeting:	16 July 2019		
Report of:	Chair, Greater Brighton Officer Programme Board		
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LA(s) affected:	All		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT:**

- 1.1 The reporting and accountability arrangements for the Greater Brighton Economic Board ('the Board') are set out within its Heads of Terms. These arrangements require the Board to submit an annual report to each of its representative bodies.
- 1.2 The [Operational Arrangements for 2019/20](#), approved by the Board on 26 March 2019, recommended that the Annual Report should be presented to the Board for approval at the first Board meeting in the 2019/20 municipal year. This report contains the Board's 2018/19 Annual Report, which is attached as Appendix 1.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That the Board approve the 2018/19 Annual Report.
- 2.2 That Board members submit the 2019/20 Annual Report to their respective organisations.

3. CONTEXT/BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 3.1 The 2018/19 Annual Report is attached as Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The Report outlines the role of the Board and its strategy for growing the City Region economy. It summarises the key successes and areas of work that the Board undertook in 2018/19 including:
 1. Developing a set of Five Year Strategic Priorities for Greater Brighton.
 2. Key projects and programmes including the Adur Tidal Walls, Newhaven Flood Alleviation Scheme, Burgess Hill Strategic Growth Programme, Newhaven Enterprise Zone and the 5G Testbed.
 3. The Greater Brighton Investment Programme; a co-ordinated programme of regeneration and infrastructure projects that support the creation of a network of high-value growth centres in key locations across the City

Region. In 2018/19, several projects moved from delivery phase to completion, with others reaching significant milestones, and the report demonstrates the excellent progress that has been made.

4. The National One Public Estate Programme; an initiative funded by the Cabinet Office Government Property Unit (GPU) and delivered in partnership with the Local Government Association (LGA). The Programme is designed to facilitate and enable local authorities to work successfully with Government and local agencies on public property and land issues through sharing and collaboration.

4. CONCLUSIONS:

- 4.1 In line with the Board's reporting and accountability arrangements, Members of the Board are asked to agree the 2018/19 Annual Report and to submit this to their respective organisations.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 5.1 There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report. The Greater Brighton Economic Board 2018/19 Annual Report in Appendix 1 details the activities of the Board and summarises key areas of work that the Board undertook in 2018/19 to deliver its medium to long term strategy. These included specific projects the Greater Brighton Investment Programme and the National One Public Estate Programme. All of these projects were able to assist with securing grants and funding for key projects across the City Region. The key areas of work and the financial benefits are detailed on paragraph 3.2 above

Finance Officer Consulted: Rob Allen, Principal Accountant, BHCC

Date: 28/06/19

Legal Implications:

- 5.2 There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

Lawyer Consulted: Joanne Dougnaglo Senior Property Lawyer, BHCC

Date: 24/06/19

Equalities Implications:

- 5.3 None

Sustainability Implications:

- 5.4 None

Any Other Significant Implications:

- 5.5 None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. Greater Brighton Economic Board 2018/19 Annual Report

Background Documents

1. [Greater Brighton Economic Board Operational Arrangements for 2019/20](#), 26 March 2019

