

**MINUTES OF THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING:
2 OCTOBER 2008**

1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted. A full attendance list is attached as **Annex A**.

2. Minutes for Approval

The minutes of the Regional Executive Board meeting held on 4 September were **agreed**.

Members highlighted that the sentence noted under item 4 to 'move to new governance arrangements by 1 April 2009', was a 'target' date.

Michael Noble **agreed** to raise the point that the date was a 'target' with members at the full Assembly meeting that afternoon.

3. Matters Arising

Alison Biddulph reported that Government Office Yorkshire and Humber still had no information regarding any announcement on the Governments response to the Sub National Review Consultation. However, Government were 'actively considering it'.

Alison **agreed** to once again stress the concern that clarity was needed as soon as possible regarding the Sub National Review.

4. Half-Year Review of Business Plan and Budget

Members **endorsed** the half-year review of performance against the approved Business Plan and **noted** the half-year position for the 2008-09 budget.

Chris Martin informed Members that the second half of the year would need to be focused on the transition to new

ACTION

Michael Noble

Alison Biddulph

governance arrangements and associated staffing arrangements. Key pieces of work would include coordinating the RFA2 Advice, the Scrutiny Review of Investment Planning, RSS Update and the Climate Change Action Plan.

Members requested clarification of who would be accountable for the liabilities in relation to existing staff, should the Assembly still exist in its current form past the 1 April 2009.

It was highlighted that the existing Regional Executive Board could still exist until the AGM in June 2009 and therefore Executive Board members would still be able to make any decisions regarding the Assembly should that be necessary beyond March 2009.

Sue Jeffrey said it was important to bear in mind that the CLG money that currently funds the Assembly would be available in 2009/10 to fund whatever the new governance arrangements might be. It was likely there would be a 10% cut to the existing budget, leaving approximately £1.9m to fund ongoing work and the governance arrangements.

It was **agreed** that a timetable needed to be agreed to move to new governance arrangements and a meeting to discuss that should be arranged as soon as possible.

Sue Jeffrey

5. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

Date of Next Meeting: 6 November 2008

Jessica Jubb, Executive Services Officer
October 2008

REGIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: 2 OCTOBER 2008

Attendees

Paul Jagger	Deputy Chair
Cllr Carl Minns	Hull and Humber Ports City Region Partnership
Cllr Arthur Barker	North Yorkshire Local Authority Partnership and Chair of Local Government Yorkshire and Humber
Cllr Kris Hopkins	Regional Housing Board
Cllr Mark Kirk	Regional Transport Board
John Weighell	Rural Local Authorities
Naheed Arshad Mather	SEE Partner Group
Michael Noble	SEE Partner Group
Cllr Roger Stone	South Yorkshire Local Authority Partnership

Observers

Simon Foy	Yorkshire Forward
Alison Biddulph	Government Office

Staff

Sue Jeffrey
Jessica Jubb
Iain Lovell
Chris Martin

Apologies

Cllr Peter Box	Chair
Felicity Everiss	Government Office
Cllr Stephen Parnaby	Humber Local Authority Partnership
Cllr Andrew Carter	Leeds City Region Partnership
Paul Rogerson	Regional Chief Executives Group
Cate Hammond	Regional Planning Board
Bill Adams	SEE Partner Group
Patricia Farrell	SEE Partner Group
Penny Hemming	SEE Partner Group
Cllr Robert Light	West Yorkshire Local Authority Partnership
Tom Riordan	Yorkshire Forward