

ADEPT North West Board

Minutes 22.09.21

| Item | Notes | Who |
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| Attendees | <p>Angela Jones – Cumbria County Council (Chair) Hannah Bartram – ADEPT Peter Molnyneux – Transport for the North Steven Chapman – Wirral David Hughes – Cumbria LEP David Boyer – Warrington Phil Durnell - Lancashire Alan Cavill - Blackpool Karen Agbabiaka - Liverpool Gemma Prest – Cumbria County Council (Notes)</p> <p>Speakers: Katie Losse – Net Zero National audit office Richard Bayley - Atkins Global</p> | |
| Notes from the last meeting | The notes from the last meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. | |
| Update on ADEPT | <p>Hannah Bartram</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slides shared • Overview of ADEPT Activity Introductions & Business model explained <p><u>QUESTIONS/ACTIONS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A need to review whether ADEPT individuals can share work to “piggyback” other organisations, rather than commission their own work. ➤ A forward look to policies | |
| Net Zero National audit office | <p>Katie Losse - Net Zero National audit office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local government and Net Zero • Key findings • Recommendations to MHCLG and government • Response to environment audit committee • Shared slides • Focused on England rather than UK more broadly • Key findings explained • Local government to hit government targets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Housing ○ Transport ○ Waste • How responsibilities could be split across national and local authorities • Difficulties identified through lack of consistencies • Case for local and central working group identified | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 45 policy areas across departments – established a need for a clear lead• Funding – exercise undertaken to map out<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 3 big funding pots○ Targeted grant funding○ levelling up funding with specific criteria <p><u>QUESTIONS/ACTIONS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Provide an email update on ministry previously known Public Health England (now changed)➤ A need to understand what the department change means and how to access funding➤ Strategic analysis needed for funding➤ Levels of capacity to engage with net zero➤ To identify skill gaps➤ Urgency to make progress➤ Climate emergency declared recently – work around the agenda, important regarding priorities for members➤ To Identify the next steps➤ Involvement encouraged into policy statements | |
| Devolution and levelling Up | <p>Richard Bayley of Atkins Global</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Slides shared• Place based development projects• Emphasis on levelling up and devolution• More sophisticated and devolution of powers across the country• Strategic framework• Importance of a place – successful levelling up• Delivery across 2 areas – strategic level of place benefit on<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Transport○ Infrastructure• Planning• Public and social care• A lens of how these are viewed and focused<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Swedish model○ Explained operated at 3 tiers<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ National▪ Regional▪ Local• Alignment – interim counties to pool resources• Boundaries<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Place to define their best boundaries or degrees of fit England wide• Identified a need for clear leadership and drive from central government• Secure levels of investment needed <p><u>QUESTIONS/ACTIONS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Time to Shape, a push for government to engage, clarifying what they expect | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Identify most effective boundaries, considering<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Inclusive growth○ Net Zero➤ A need to 'reprogramme' and encourage new ways of thinking and working, as a clear difference to previous approaches➤ Think about how to lobby and influence ahead of white paper | |
| AOB | <p>Budget Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● How to transition from where currently are to where we need to be?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Income generation ideas○ Fund a post <p>Agenda planning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Competitive funding bids● Items round table discussion● NWoW onto next agenda● Carbon reduction● Less travelling<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Remote working○ Income generation | |