

LIVERPOOL VISION BOARD MEETING
Held on Monday 23 June 2008

Present: Cllr Joe Anderson, Liverpool City Council
Cllr Warren Bradley, Liverpool City Council
Steven Broomhead, Northwest Development Agency
David Bundred, Business Angel Investments
Jeanette Kehoe-Perkinson
John Kelly, KPMG
Michael Parker (Chair)
Dougal Paver, Paver Smith
Paul Spooner, English Partnerships
Cllr Mike Storey, Liverpool City Council
Tony Wilson, Hill Dickinson

In attendance: Jim Gill, Chief Executive, Liverpool Vision
Brian Holmes, GO-NW (Observer)
John Kelly, Liverpool City Council (Observer)
Ian McCarthy, Liverpool Vision (Minutes)

Apologies: Sir Terry Leahy, Tesco Plc

1. Welcome and Introductions

Michael Parker welcomed Board members to the first meeting of Liverpool Vision. It was intended to hold six Board meetings per year and it was hoped that members would be able to attend all of the meetings.

In addition to Board meetings, a number of workshop sessions would be held to enable Board members to consider business in more detail; particularly to contribute to development of the company Business Plan.

Board members each provided a brief statement of their background and aspirations for the City.

2. Corporate and Administrative Report

A paper was presented which summarised a range of practical and governance issues. After discussion:

The Board agreed that Liverpool Vision should behave in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

The Board agreed to maintain a Register of Director's Interests.

The Board agreed the draft Financial Regulations.

The Board agreed to establish an Audit Committee, an HR Committee and a Nominations Committee.

It was agreed that TMP should be invited to attend future Board meetings as an observer.

Two other forums were suggested to improve dialogue with key partners. Firstly with other related organisations including Merseytravel, the Chamber of Commerce, the Universities. and a second Forum with the Property Development Sector.

3. Revenue Budget 2008/09

An initial draft revenue budget was presented which reflected the current staffing and fixed accommodation costs but which for 'other overheads' represented experience of the three merged companies.

The Board noted the draft.

4. Business and Development Programme 2008/09

A report was presented which summarised the combined projects and programmes of Liverpool Vision. There was a substantial level of activity inherited from the three merged organisations for which a key task was to achieve the forecast spend for 2008/09, particularly that from the Merseyside Objective One Programme and the NWDA.

The Company was arranged in three divisions;

The Corporate Services Division included the Financial, Operational, HR, Programme Management, Business & Corporate Planning and PR functions.

The Investment and Enterprise division included Corporate and Investment, Marketing, Business Support and Enterprise, Research and Intelligence.

The Development and Infrastructure Division included development teams with an area focus for the City Centre, SIAs, North Liverpool, Project Management, Planning and Design Services.

5. Shanghai World Expo 2010

The Board received a report about Liverpool's attendance at the Shanghai World Expo 2010 and concluded that Vision, along with other partners, should grasp the opportunity presented by attendance at the Shanghai Expo, and support the management and development effort for the Expo.

6. International Benchmarking – BAK Basel

The Board noted the emerging findings from the BAK Basel International Benchmarking project.

7. Business Planning, Process and Timetable

The Board agreed the importance of establishing a medium/long term Vision for the city, which all partners could buy into and which would remain constant.

Members were keen to have a detailed debate to assist the preparation of the plan

and begin working together as a Board. The series of forthcoming workshops would provide the opportunity for this dialogue.

8. **Any Other Business**

The Board agreed that Ian McCarthy (Director of Corporate Services) should be appointed as Company Secretary for Liverpool Vision and Liverpool Land Development Company.

9. **Programme of Meetings 2008/09**

It was agreed that the Board should meet six times per year, wherever possible on Fridays at 11.30am, for two hours.