

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEMBER SIGNING
THURSDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2014**

Present: Councillor Joe Goldberg - Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Social Inclusion and Sustainability

In Attendance: Xanthe Barker, Principal Committee Officer, Vicky Clark, Economic Development Consultant.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
HSP120.	URGENT BUSINESS	
	There were no items of urgent business.	
HSP121.	GROWTH DEAL PROJECT PROPOSALS	
	<p>The Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Social Inclusion and Sustainability considered a report, previously circulated, which sought approval of proposed projects to bid for funding for from the London Enterprise Panel (LEP).</p>	
	RESOLVED:	
	<p>That the proposed projects, outlined in the report, be approved for submission to the London Enterprise Panel.</p>	
	Alternative options considered	
	<p>The option not to submit proposals, because of the tight timeframe and because the Economic Development and Growth Strategy has not yet been finalised was considered and rejected as it would have meant forgoing the £1.7m investment.</p>	
	<p>Consideration was also given to submitting proposals under other LEP priorities including Apprenticeships, Skills and Training, Unlocking Development and Digital, Creative, Science and Technology (DCST). The first two were rejected because funds are already available to address these issues through other sources. DCST activity will be supported through the Places of Work/ Business Support project as we will be prioritising these sectors when developing our workspace offer.</p>	
	Reasons for decision	
	<p>The LEP requires that councils submit projects for approval by the end of August 2014. It is therefore necessary to agree the proposals outlined in order to secure the £1.7m investment from the LEP.</p>	
HSP122.	NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS	
	There were no new items of urgent business.	