



Strategic Transport Leadership Board

February 2022: Update on Actions

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From December 2021 Strategic Transport Leadership Board		
<p>Public Questions</p> <p>NG requested that AF email her the list of links mentioned to share with Network Rail for discussion.</p>	Ongoing	Naomi Green is following up with Alan Francis over his list of priorities for follow up with Network Rail.
<p>Spending Review – Implications</p> <p>The meeting agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) continue to press for investment in the region, for the benefit of local communities and businesses, and the UK as a whole b) press for clearer, single pots of transport investment that can be better prioritised and planned at the local and regional level c) refresh the investment pipeline to capture outputs from connectivity studies and thematic work 	<p>Agenda Item</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	<p>A draft paper setting out the need for continued investment in the region is included in Agenda Item 3.</p> <p>Further work on securing investment opportunities continues at Officer level</p>

<p>Rail Investment Priorities</p> <p>The meeting agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) part-fund work to create an evidence-based, regionally-led strategic narrative for East West Rail b) send a letter to the Secretary of State for Transport, subject to amendments, confirming the region's full support for East West Rail c) note the need to continue to press more broadly for rail investment in the region, particularly preparing for Great British Railway's expected call for evidence on a 30-year plan for rail 	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Complete</p> <p>Agenda Item</p>	<p>EEH is in the process of commissioning the study.</p> <p>A letter was sent to the Secretary of State for Transport in December 2021, following agreement by Board members.</p> <p>Great British Railways Transition Team are attending the meeting and providing a presentation.</p>
<p>EEH Business Plan</p> <p>The meeting agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the proposal to develop a three-year business plan for England's Economic Heartland for the period 2022-2025, subject to confirmation of funding from DfT b) the future business of EEH to be taken forward with three equal priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) To bring forward infrastructure priorities into investable propositions ii) To support a regional centre of excellence, providing capacity and capability for partner authorities iii) To continue to develop programmes of work that support delivery of the regional transport strategy c) Provide a steer on any other areas of work that should be included offline d) Note the likely increase in partner contributions to EEH, in line with inflation 	<p>Agenda Item</p>	<p>The EEH Business Plan is set out in Agenda Item 5</p>