

Vision and asks from Humber business

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. As discussed at previous meetings, the LEP is currently refreshing its Strategic Economic Plan. The Humber, through local authorities and the LEP, is also being asked to engage in pan-Northern discussions on major medium/long-term actions which would drive growth in the North.
- 1.2. The LEP Chair has asked the Business Development Board to propose ambitious medium/long-term projects and ideas for inclusion in this agenda.

2. Potential issues for discussion

- 2.1. The following are examples of issues members may wish to consider:
 - 2.1.1. How could the Humber make better use of its existing assets?
 - 2.1.2. What are the major infrastructure projects that would be required to enable growth in 10-20 years' time?
 - 2.1.3. What are the regulations that get in the way of growth that could be overcome?
 - 2.1.4. Could the planning system work any differently to enable growth?
 - 2.1.5. Are any further incentives required to improve the Humber's competitiveness?
 - 2.1.6. Are any new models for investment required to drive growth?
 - 2.1.7. How could the Humber be a more attractive proposition for (international) institutional investment?
 - 2.1.8. How should the Humber offer be defined within the Northern Powerhouse?
 - 2.1.9. What are the powers that Government has that should be devolved to the local area to enable growth?