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15 November 2022

Present: Mr J Chesworth in the Chair; Mr R Binns, Councillor D Borrow, Ms A-M Parkinson, Mr A Phillips, Ms K Illingworth - Turner and Ms M Close

Also in attendance:

Ms J Wilding	– Director of Resources & S151 Officer
Mr C Hayward	– Director of Development and Housing
Mr P Evans	– BEIS
Mr M Flemming	– TIG
Mr C Blackburn	– Assistant Director (Head of City Growth and Regeneration)
Ms B Joyce	– Radics Consulting / Preston City Council
Ms Palmer	– Regeneration Manager
Ms N Billington	– Head of Policy and External Relations
Mr Z Bapu	– Senior Member Services Officer

Apologies: Ms J Anthony, Councillor M Brown, Mrs R Connor and Sir M Hendrick, MP

CD49 Declaration of Interests

There were none.

CD50 Minutes

Resolved – That the minutes of the previous meeting be agreed as an accurate record.

CD51 Towns Fund Implementation Report

Ms B Joyce provided the monitoring report for Phase 3a Towns Fund projects and a general update on the Towns Fund work programme. There were no matters arising from the November Monitoring Report. The Monitoring and Evaluation Board (M&E) meets monthly and it is proposed

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that the M&E Board and the Technical Implementation Group (TIG) meetings are brought together. A presentation on the work of the M&E Board will be made at the January 2023 Towns Fund Board meeting. The M&E Board is overseeing the preparation of the monitoring submission to government in December 2022.

Resolved – That the Board

- (i) Noted the November Monitoring Report;
- (ii) Approved that the Monitoring and Evaluation Board and Technical Implementation Group be brought together and requested that a comprehensive report be brought to the January meeting; and
- (iii) Delegated approval of the submission of the December 2022 monitoring return to government to the Director of Resources, in consultation with the Chief Executive of the Accountable Body and the Chair.

CD52 Any Other Business

Following a question in relation to timing and schedule of a Communications Plan, the Board was informed that, a report would be presented at the January meeting.