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Decision Summary

Committee:
Date:
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**DEWSBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD
THURSDAY 18 JUNE 2026
Nicola Sylvester
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Chair

Sophie Johnson

Board Members In Attendance

Chief Superintendent Jim Griffiths
Fara Butt
Martin Walsh
Jackie Ramsay
Peter Mason
Helen Rose
Christine Fox
Palvinder Singh
Andi Eccles
Sajid Hussain (substitute for Iqbal Mohamed MP)
David Wildman
Paul Burnett (Virtual)

Attendees

Michelle Illingworth, Project Officer
James Blamires, Project Officer
Andy Raleigh, Project Manager, Town Centres
Thomas Fish, Acting Head of Town Centres Regeneration

Observers

Lisa Kinch, Historic England: Yorkshire Partnerships Team (substitute for Richard Butterworth)

Apologies

Iqbal Mohamed MP
Anum Rehman
Richard Butterworth

1 Membership of Dewsbury Neighbourhood Board

To receive any updates in respect of the membership of the Board and apologies for absence from Board Members who are unable to attend this meeting.

RESOLVED -

David Wildman, Service Director for Skills and Regeneration at Kirklees Council, was appointed to the Board as an interim measure for this meeting.

Apologies were received from Anum Rehman, Iqbal Mohamed MP and Richard Butterworth.

Sajid Hussain substituted on behalf of Iqbal Mohammed MP and Lisa Kinch substituted on behalf of Richard Butterworth.

2 Declaration of Interests

Members will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have any disclosable pecuniary interests or any other interests, which may prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items.

Sophie Johnson, Peter Mason, Fara Butt, Andi Eccles, Jackie Ramsay and Martin Walsh, declared an interest as shareholders in the Arcade for the agenda item relating to the Town Deal Project Update. The report was submitted to the Board for information.

Andi Eccles and Peter Mason declared an interest as a Member of the Arcade Group in the agenda item relating to the Town Deal Project Update. The report was submitted to the Board for information.

Jackie Ramsay declared an interest as Member and Chair of the Arcade Group in the agenda item relating to the Town Deal Project Update. The report was submitted to the Board for information.

David Wildman declared an interest as Service Director of Regeneration and Skills, Kirklees Council and refrained from voting on all agenda items.

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting and Action Tracker

To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 12th February 2026.

The action tracker is attached for information.

RESOLVED -

- 1) That the minutes of the meeting held on 12th February 2026 be approved

- as a correct record.
2) That the action tracker be noted.
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7 Chair's Update

To receive a verbal update from Sophie Johnson – Chair of Dewsbury Neighbourhood Board.

RESOLVED –

That the Chair's Update be noted.

8 Terms of Reference

To receive a report on the updated Dewsbury Neighbourhood Board Terms of Reference.

Contact: James Blamires, Project Officer

RESOLVED –

That the updated Terms of Reference for Dewsbury Neighbourhood Board be approved.

9 Pride in Place Update

To update the Board on the latest position of the Pride in Place Programme. This includes an outline of progress with the working groups, interventions, and key performance indicators and sets out recommendations for the Board to support delivery.

Contact: Andy Raleigh, Interim Strategic Lead Town Centre Regeneration

RESOLVED –

- 1) That the Pride in Place Programme be noted.
 - 2) That the recommendations and KPIs within the Pride in Place report and appendix attached be endorsed.
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10 Town Deal Project Update

To receive an update on the Town Deal Projects.

Contact: Michelle Illingworth, Project Officer.

RESOLVED –

- 1) That the Town Deal Project update be noted.
- 2) That a report on the Riverside active travel route be presented to the Board at a future meeting.
- 3) That a report on attracting retailers, food outlets and businesses to the

Market be brought back to Board at a future meeting.
