

OXFORDSHIRE GROWTH BOARD

STRATEGIC ECONOMIC PLAN

Purpose of Report

1. To provide the Growth Board with an opportunity to review the latest version of the Strategic Economic Plan for Oxfordshire (the SEP) and to comment formally to the Oxfordshire Local Economic Partnership (OxLEP) on the SEP, as part of the final consultation with statutory partners currently being undertaken by OxLEP.

Recommendation

The Growth Board is asked to note the Strategic Economic Plan, attached as an appendix to this report, and comment as appropriate.

Introduction

2. The Growth Board received a draft version of the strategic economic plan at its meeting on 26 May 2016.
3. At this meeting the Board resolved that:
 - *That the implications on the SEP Refresh within the context of its on-going joint statutory work, including in particular its work on planning for infrastructure development in the medium to long term be noted.*
 - *That no particular comments on the SEP structure, priorities to 2020 and the identified commitments under each theme be made at this time.*
 - *That the OXLEP Board be requested to set a timetable for consultation and finalisation that would allow councils to have deliberations within their own processes..*
4. The Timetable was accordingly altered and discussions within each council are now timetabled and have either taken place or are due to within the next few weeks.
5. As part of this review process officers considered it appropriate to return to the Board with the latest version of the SEP, including the responses to public consultation for the Board to once again review and comment as appropriate.