

## SEMLEP Board

30 September 2020

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| <b>Paper Title</b>                         | Annual Delivery Plan update  |
| <b>Purpose of Paper</b>                    | To update the Board on the progress of the Annual Delivery Plan (ADP) report for 2019/20, as well as present a draft ADP for 2020/21 for approval. |
| <b>Equality and Diversity implications</b> | None directly, although the draft plan's set of indicators does include specific action on this.   |
| <b>Meeting Date</b>                        | 30 September   |
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### The Board is asked to:

- i. Approve the Annual Delivery Plan (ADP) 2019/20 report and dashboard webpage.
- ii. Approve the Annual Delivery Plan milestones and KPIs for 2021/21 as presented at the previous board meeting and updated, presented in Annex A.
- iii. Note the progress against the 2020/21 milestones and KPIs and provide feedback where possible.

## **Annual Delivery Plan update**

### **1.0 Introduction**

1.1 In January 2019, BEIS requested an Annual Delivery Plan (ADP) to be produced by all LEPs, clearly setting out their planned activity and targets for the 2019/20 financial year. SEMLEP's plan was published on its website in June 2019 and the report to date was presented to the Board in May and July 2020. The final report will be presented to the AGM and is attached for consideration and approval.

1.2 As stated in July, given the impact of COVID19, the development of the plan for 2020/21 needs to be focussed and flexible. We may need to be able to adapt to refreshed strategic priorities identified through the Economic Recovery Strategy (ERS) work.

1.3 As a result, we are proposing a more streamlined set of milestones and KPIs to deliver against for the rest of the year. The plan presented in Annex A for board approval.

### **2.0 Final Report for Annual Delivery Plan 2019/20**

2.1 Following a short delay, the end of year report for the 2019/20 ADP is now available, including a KPI dashboard. The communications team will publish this as a webpage on the SEMLEP website on 30 September, ensuring that reporting is both transparent and accessible. BEIS are satisfied with this reporting method.

2.2 Going forward, KPIs and milestones for the 2020/21 plan will also be published in this format. The board is asked to approve the 2019/20 report and provide final comments on the presentation of the KPIs and milestones.

### **3.0 Progress update on the Annual Delivery Plan for 2020/21**

3.1 A set of interim milestones was presented to the board in July, which have now been refreshed to reflect recent achievements and changes to priorities.

3.2 We can also report progress and the KPIs for 2020/21 Q1 are available. These are presented in Annex A below for the Board's consideration.

3.3 We aim to publish this plan on our website and update the delivery dashboard accordingly after the Board meeting.

3.4 Progress updates against this plan will be provided at the November 2020 and February 2021 board meetings. However, given that the uncertainty created by the pandemic the plan may need to be reviewed and modified accordingly.

3.5 The Board is to approve this plan ready for publication and note progress to date.

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## Annex A: Annual Delivery Plan 2020/21 Milestones and KPIs

September 2020

### Introduction

This document is the annual delivery plan (ADP) for 2020/21, including delivery KPIs for 2020/21 Q1. This reflects the seriousness of the health and economic impacts of COVID19 and the need to develop an Economic Recovery Strategy. Much of existing SEMLEP business has continued but other areas of business have been redesigned or prioritised and continue to be so. This plan may be updated once the Economic Recovery Strategy (ERS) is produced.

Progress updates will be presented to the SEMLEP board in November 2020 and February 2021. A final report will be published in Spring/Summer 2021.

### Milestones for 2020/21

SEMLEP activity is set out in three key work areas: Strategy; Governance; and Delivery:

#### Strategy

- Submit an initial action plan for the Economic Recovery Strategy to SEMLEP's Board – **completed July 2020**
- Submit a detailed recovery framework to SEMLEP's Board, including a distributional impact assessment, as part of developing an Economic Recovery Strategy for the South East Midlands – **November 2020**
- Hold a meeting of the key Digital Infrastructure stakeholders in the South East Midlands– **October 2020**

#### Governance

- Appoint Expert Consultants to work alongside the SEMLEP team to embed equality, diversity and inclusion into the Economic Recovery Strategy and its delivery - **September 2020**
- Commence Board recruitment for new and diverse board members – **September 2020**
- Undertake a Skills Audit among Board members and utilise the findings in board recruitment and training opportunities – **November 2020**

#### Delivery

This section provides a summary of SEMLEP's ambitions for delivery. These are presented across 4 main areas: Capital Programmes, Community Grants, SEMLEP's Growth Hub and Skills.

### Capital Programmes including Local Growth Fund– key milestones for 2020/21

- 22 Funding agreements to be issued for 2020/21 Local Growth Funding – **completed July 2020**
- Contact time with each spending project every fortnight - **ongoing**
- Aim to spend 75% of 2020/21 LGF allocation this financial year – **March 2021**
- Aim to approve and commence 12 Getting Building Fund projects on site – **January 2021**

### Community Grants – key milestones for 2020/21

- Run round 4 of the community grant programme and have 20+ additional projects approved – **November 2020**

### Local Growth Fund – KPIs

| KPI                 | Delivery up to end Q4 1920 | Delivery this financial year, up to end 2020/21 Q1 | Annual forecast 2020/21 | Provisional forecast to 2030 |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Homes enabled       | 3693                       | 77   | 2240                    | 39676                        |
| Jobs                | 3442                       | 10   | 897                     | 21016                        |
| Additional learners | 3758                       | 106  | 1560                    | 8989                         |

**NB:** Our projections to March 2021 were made prior to the COVID19 pandemic and are subject to revision in future versions of this plan, which are being undertaken as part of mid-year reviews this autumn 2020. The forecasts to 2030 are based on the data and targets from 2019/20; there may be some reductions but also new project have been added.

### Growth Hub – key milestones for 2020/21

- Deliver intensive recovery and resilience support to at least 100 businesses - **completed by March 2021**
- Support over 100 businesses through peer to peer networks – **activity commenced by November 2020**
- Provide kickstart COVID recovery grants to over 200 businesses - **completed by March 2021**

### Growth Hub – KPIs

| KPI  | Delivery this financial year, up to 2020/21 Q1 | Forecast for 2020/21 |
|--|--|----------------------|
| Number of enquiries received                                 | 628  | 1500                 |
| Number of clients 1-to-1s (including diagnostic reviews)     | 38   | 500                  |
| Number of workshops delivered in collaboration with Partners | 11   | 35                   |

### Skills – key milestones for 2020/21

- Completion, publication and review of skills reports for occupational groupings for digital, logistics specific, engineering and manufacturing, health and education – **completed July 2020**
- Covid-19 response - Mapping of provision and identifying gaps with employer consultation and review of the needs of individuals – **completed August 2020**
- Refresh of Skills Strategy including summary of analysis and action plan through SAP, including Covid-19 response – **December 2020 / January 2021**

### Skills – KPIs

| KPI  | Achieved to date, as of end 2020/21 Q1 | Forecast for 2020/21 |
|--|--|----------------------|
| Proportion of Schools/Colleges registered with CEC network with a completed Compass Tool | 95%                                    | 97%                  |
| Average Gatsby Benchmark scores  | 82%                                    | >85%                 |
| Average number of perfect (100%) GBM scores per school                                   | 4.0                                    | 4.1                  |
| Number of Enterprise Advisers matched to schools/colleges                                | 90                                     | 100                  |