

AT A MEETING of the Cabinet Advisory Sub-Committee for Economic  
Development of HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL held at the Castle,  
Winchester on Tuesday, 22nd October, 2019

\* Councillor Rob Humby  
\* Councillor Keith Mans

\* Councillor Stephen Reid

\*Present

**9. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies.

**10. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter considered at the meeting they must declare that interest at the time of the relevant debate and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3, Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Personal Interest in a matter being considered at the meeting they considered whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, considered whether it was appropriate to leave the meeting whilst the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

**11. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**12. DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations for the meeting.

**13. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Chairman's announcements.

**14. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL REPORT - 2018/19**

The Sub-Committee received an update report from the Assistant Director for Economic Development which highlighted strategic activities from the year 2018-19.

The 'Coherent Place' commission had taken place with John Till, and recommendations taken forward from that inquiry. The County had continued to

work closely with LEP's and there had been two specific Brexit events. A series of 'Business Engagement Forum' workshops had enabled recommendations and ideas to be shared following the outcomes of the inquiry by John Till and these had been a success.

Members learned that business growth had been varied, with some business areas suffering across the year whilst others had expanded. Whilst there was great potential for areas such as within Gosport and the maritime industry, there would also be challenges around infrastructure and access, which would need to be balanced. 'Enabling' was an important thing for the County to work with to assist companies and businesses rather than expecting them to work to and alongside a set strategy.

The Gulfstream investment at Farnborough meant a lot of potential for the area and had been the biggest investment by Gulfstream outside of the USA. Other initiatives such as 'Thought Leadership' and 'Station Approach' were also discussed by the Sub-Committee.

Looking forward to 2020, there were plans to work further with the Solent LEP to find the best way of the supporting the maritime industry. There would also be further discussions around 5G.

The Sub Committee supported the report and thanked the officers for all their work.

#### 15. **HAMPSHIRE ECONOMIC DASHBOARD 2018/19**

The dashboard was considered alongside the Annual Report for 2018/19.