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Summary Report from the National Sub-Committees

Purpose:

This paper summarises business at National Sub-Committee meetings held in the last quarter. It lists their current membership and covers:

1. Communications Sub-Committee
2. Employment, Skills & Social Inclusion Sub-Committee
3. Equalities & Diversity Sub-Committee
4. Evaluation Sub-Committee
5. Performance & Dispute Resolution Sub-Committee
6. Smart Specialisation Sub-Committee
7. SME Competitiveness Sub-Committee
8. Sustainable Growth and Development Sub-Committee
9. Sustainable Urban Development Sub-Committee

Recommendations:

That the Growth Programme Board notes the report.

Rob Martell
GPB Secretariat
21 June 2022

Communications Sub-Committee

Membership

- **Rob Martell (Chair)**
DLUHC
- **James Ritchie**
DWP (Deputy Chair)
- **Richard Davies**
BEIS
- **Laure Farret**
GLA
- **Karen Clarke**
SEMLEP
- **Aurore Parkin**
Cornwall & Isles of Scilly
- **Simon Eleftheropoulos-Weatherburn**
Big Lottery
- **Matt Smart**
Oxford University
- **Mark Herbert**
DEFRA
- **John Hacking**
Third Sector National Learning Alliance

1. The Communications Sub-Committee last met on the 8 October 2019.
2. The next meeting of the Sub-Committee has not been scheduled.

Employment, Skills and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee

Membership

- **Steve Spendlove**
(Chair)
DWP
- **Nick Campbell**
DWP
- **Catherine Crocker**
Greater London Authority
- **Eleanor Dearle**
Local Government
Association
- **Thomas Leftwich**
Department for Culture,
Media and Sport
- **John Moyer**
DWP
- **Sue Ormiston**
National Lottery
Community Fund
- **Hitesh Patel**
Citizens Advice
- **Nicola Radford**
Coastal Communities
Alliance
- **Laura-Jane Rawlings**
Youth Employment UK
- **Stacey Sleeman**
Cornwall Council
- **Nick Small**
LEP Network
- **Ian Standish**
Workers' Educational
Association
- **Marc Vermyle**
European Commission
- **Iain Wishart**
Education and Skills
Funding Agency

1. The Employment, Skills and Social Inclusion NSC met on 10 March – an update was provided for the March GPB.
2. In the context of the review of NSCs being carried out by GPB, and there being no immediate issues to discuss, a decision was taken not to proceed with the June meeting.
3. The next meeting has been scheduled for 3rd October 2022 pending the outcome of the GPB NSC review

Equality & Diversity Sub-Committee

Membership

- **Steve Spendlove (Chair)**
DWP
- **Nick Campbell**
DWP
- **Duncan Carnie**
DWP
- **Richard Corfield**
DLUHC
- **Gary Craig**
Professor of Social Justice
- **Catherine Crocker**
Greater London Authority
- **Tamara Flanagan**
New Europeans Association
- **Charlie Hamilton**
Equality and Human Rights Commission
- **Emma Hyland**
Equality and Diversity Manager, Manchester Metropolitan University
- **Sharon Long**
Partnership for Young London
- **Helen Millne**
Third Sector
- **Sue Ormiston**
National Community Lottery Fund
- **Shafqat Rahim**
ESFA
- **Marc Vermyle**
European Commission
- **Mike Walton**
DLUHC

1. The last meeting was held on 24th March 2022.
2. The latest position regarding the ESF Programme was provided (drawing on the update provided to GPB a few days earlier). A short open forum session was held in which a colleague from the DWP UKSPF team gave an update on the publication of the UKSPF Prospectus, including the position regarding the funding by an allocation model rather than a competition and potential for local areas to invest in people and skills support. The recent ESF Celebration event was reflected on. Members commented on how positive the event was and how important it is for those of us who are divorced from the immediate delivery, to see what effect the Programme is having.
3. In the context of the review of NSCs being carried out by GPB, and there being no immediate issues to discuss, a decision was taken not to proceed with the June meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for 22nd September 2022 pending the outcome of the GPB NSC review.

Evaluation Sub-Committee

Membership

- **Simon Jones**
Chair, DLUHC
- **Tom Wood**
DLUHC
- **Nicholas Campbell**
DWP
- **Tony Pike**
DEFRA
- **Anthony Mtitimila**
Liverpool University
- **Capucine Riom**
What Works Centre
- **Robyn Owen**
Middlesex University
- **Stuart Merali-Younger**
Wavehill
- **Lucy Townley**
DLUHC
- **Elyott D'Shap**
DLUHC
- **Hamish Proctor**
BEIS
- **Phil Smith**
Business West
- **Anne Lythgoe**
Social Audit Network
- **Andy Churchill**
Network for Europe
- **TBC**
DCMS
- **Rob Martell**
Secretariat, DLUHC
- **Danielle House**
BEIS
- **Peter Wills**
Cornwall Council
- **Sue Parkinson**
North East LEP
- **Mary-Louise Harrison**
Leicester and Leicestershire LEP
- **Peter Matthijs**
EC

1. The Evaluation Sub-Committee last met on the 25th May 2022
2. Managing Authorities for each of the programmes provided updates on the various pieces of evaluation work either underway or completed. Wavehill, the newly appointed national evaluators for the ERDF programme in England, were introduced and provided details and timelines for the phase 3 evaluation of the programme. This work is set to be completed by the end of the year
3. Discussions centred around how the evaluations can work for Government and local/sector specific partners. This included considering the ability to make useful comparisons between performance in LEP areas, the effectiveness of certain types of interventions and ensuring findings/lesson learned are fed through to those designing evaluation plans for current and future domestic funds.
4. The next meeting is scheduled to take place in mid to late September (exact date tbc).

Performance & Dispute Resolution Sub-Committee

Membership

- **Simon Jones (Chair)**
DLUHC
- **David Malpass**
DLUHC
- **Clare Bonson**
DWP
- **Steve Spendlove**
DWP
- **Emma Kirkpatrick**
DWP
- **Sean Hughes**
DLUHC
- **Mary-Louise Harrison**
LEP Network (more developed)
- **David Pratt**
Higher Education
- **Stuart Scott**
GLA
- **Keith Harrison**
Action for Communities in Rural Kent
- **Steve Gilson**
DEFRA
- **Emily Kent**
Cornwall & Isles of Scilly
- **Helen Milne**
Third Sector
- **Richard Davies**
BEIS
- **Richard Powell**
Local Nature Partnerships
- **Paul Green**
Local Government (LGA)
- **Katie Dalsgaard**
IB network
- **Heather Waddington**
Core Cities
- **John Hunt**
College
- **Guus Muijzers**
DG Regio
- **James Newman**
LEP Network (transition)
- **Carol Vonne**
Third Sector
- **Pernille Kousgaard**
MCA

1. The Performance & Dispute Resolution Sub-Committee last met on 19th May 2022.
2. At the meeting, MAs provided updates on programme delivery and performance, and members discussed the ongoing implementation of equality and diversity principles in the programme.

Smart Specialisation Sub-Committee

Membership

- **Paul Drabwell (Chair)**
BEIS
- **Farhana Quasem**
BEIS (Secretariat)
- **Tricia Allen**
DLUHC
- **Nicholas French**
BEIS
- **Mark Duddridge**
Cornwall & Isles of Scilly
LEP
- **Prof Stephen Roper**
Warwick Business School
- **Prof Roy Sandbach**
Newcastle University
- **Jen Rae**
NESTA
- **Gillian Docherty**
The Data Lab
- **Prof Joe Sweeney**
Lancaster University
- **Melanie Knetsch**
ESRC
- **Andrew Carter**
Centre for Cities
- **Prof John Goddard**
Newcastle University

1. The sub-committee last met on 11 December 2018 and has not met since, there are no substantive updates to make.

SME Competitiveness Sub-Committee

Membership

- **To be confirmed**
Cities & Local Growth
- **Tim Courtney**
BEIS
- **David Morrall**
DLUHC
- **John Bennett**
DLUHC
- **Joe Manning**
Cities & Local Growth
- **Karen Leigh**
Cities & Local Growth
- **Sean Mckee**
London Chamber of Commerce
- **Glenn Collins**
Inst. Chartered Accountants
- **Allie Rennison**
Institute of Directors
- **Dominic Williams**
Fed'n of Small Businesses
- **Thomas Parry**
Forum of Private Business
- **Lee Hopley**
Engineering Employers' Fed
- **Richard Kendall**
Humber LEP
- **Clive Lewis**
Inst. Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
- **John Goodman**
Co-operatives UK
- **Matt Silver**
Cornwall & Isles of Scilly
- **Dawn Whiteley**
National Enterprise Network
- **Ruth Lowbridge**
Sector Skills for Enterprise
- **Louise Bennett**
Chambers of Commerce
- **Mike Spicer**
Chambers of Commerce

1. The sub-committee last met on 14 May 2018 and have not met since, there are no substantive updates to make.

Sustainable Growth and Development Sub-Committee

Membership

- **Patrick Allcorn (Chair)**
BEIS
- **Mark Joslyn**
DLUHC
- **Duncan Carnie**
DWP
- **Paul Nolan**
Mersey Forest
- **Phil Woods**
Cornwall & Isles of Scilly
- **Mark Atherton**
New Economy,
Manchester
- **Richard Hurst**
Durham County Council
- **David Read**
MCHLG
- **Ian Whale**
DLUHC
- **Graeme Kerr**
Natural England
- **Carly McLachlan**
Tyndall Centre
- **Chris Saville**
Environment Agency
- **Paul Bourgeois**
Greater Cambridgeshire
& Greater Peterborough
LEP
- **John Osborne**
DLUHC
- **Emma Friend**
DEFRA
- **Richard Powell OBE**
Chair, Wild Anglia CIC
- **Aled Jones**
Anglia Ruskin University
- **Phil Larkin**
National Trust

1. The sub-committee last met on 17 October 2019 and have not met since, there are no substantive updates to make.
2. The next meeting of the sub-committee has not yet been scheduled.

Sustainable Urban Development and Urban Agenda Sub-Committee

Membership

- **Iain Derrick (Chair)**
DLUHC
- **Sam Lucas**
DLUHC
- **Peggy Haywod**
DLUHC
- **Heather Waddington**
Leeds City Region
- **Lloyd Broad**
Greater Birmingham
and Solihull
- **Felix Kumi-Ampofo**
Sheffield City Region
- **Teresa Kirby**
Newcastle City Region
- **Huw Jenkins**
Liverpool City Region
- **Robin McDowell**
Bristol City Council
- **Stuart Scott**
Greater London
Authority
- **Jem Woolley**
Nottingham City
Council
- **Alison Gordon**
Manchester City
Council
- **Maggie O'Carroll**
The Women's
Organisation

1. The sub-committee last met 28 March 2019 and have not met since, there are no substantive updates to make.
2. The next meeting of the sub-Committee has not yet been scheduled.