



AGENDA SUPPLEMENT

Agenda Item 15 | Review of Investment Concept Papers

Combined Authority Board

4 September 2024

As referred to in the substantive report at paragraphs 2.4 and 2.5 the concepts set out in the appendices were considered at a meeting of the Investment Committee held on 29th August. In accordance with the role of the Investment Committee as part of the Single Assurance Framework, the Committee provide the Board with the following comments and advice to assist with its consideration of the concepts.

1. Concept Paper for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Impact: Comments from Investment Committee Members

1.1	They were supportive of the concept.
1.2	Consideration should be given to the proposed indicators, perhaps to look beyond the number targets in the paper and consider other ways to measure effectiveness such as looking at levels of engagement.
1.3	Continuing collaboration with the Constituent Councils' Economic Development Teams was important in the development of the proposal.
1.4	Consideration should be given to the wider aspects that link with the work of social enterprises such as their suppliers, other local voluntary organisations and the Market Towns initiative.
1.5	Consideration should be given to the practical delivery of the proposals and whether there is an opportunity to involve local umbrella organisations.

2. Concept Paper for Delivery of Digital Connectivity Strategy 2025-29: Comments from Investment Committee Members

2.1	They were supportive of the concept
2.2	It was important that the strategy fitted into the broader regional strategy and incorporated feedback from various stakeholders. The proposal was seen as a continuation of the success of the "Connecting Cambridge" initiative over the past four years.
2.3	The ongoing engagement with the Business Board was highlighted as a crucial factor in the proposal's development, particularly focusing on its long-term plan and alignment with broader digital connectivity goals.