

**LIVERPOOL CITY REGION LOCAL NATURE PARTNERSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
NOTES AND ACTIONS**

<b>Date:</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	
<b>Present:</b>	Gideon Ben-Tovim (GBT)	Chair
	Stephen Ayliffe (SA)	Natural England
	Alison Ball (AB)	Arup & Partners Ltd
	Paul Booth (PB)	Riverside Group
	Alan Carter (AC)	Land Trust
	Rupert Casey (RC)	Natural England
	Dr Alan Jemmett (AJ)	Merseyside Environmental Advisory
	Martin Moss (MM)	Natural England
	Paul Nolan (PN)	The Mersey Forest
	Iain Taylor (IT)	NW FWAC
	Nick Thompson (NT)	Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE)
	Doreen Wallis (DW)	The Wildlife Trust
<b>Apologies:</b>	Dave Callan (DC)	Chair of Local Access Forum
	Michelle Cameron (MCa)	Liverpool Chamber of Commerce
	Mark Chadwick (MC)	Environment Agency
	Jackie Copley (JC)	Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE)
	Christine Darbyshire (CD)	Liverpool City Council
	Don Thompson (DT)	Merseyside Environmental Trust
<b>Circulation:</b>	As above and Board members.	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Action</b>

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1.0	<p><b>Introduction.</b></p> <p>Congratulations to Nicola Brown on birth of her baby boy.</p>	
2.0	<p><b>Apologies:</b> As above.</p>	-
3.0	<p><b>Minutes and actions from the last meeting:</b></p> <p>Thanks to Peter Batey who provided comments that helped with the response to the Sefton Coast Plan.</p> <p>AJ suggested that the Final Sefton Coast Plan comes back to Nature Connected in September.</p>	<b>AJ</b>
4.0	<p><b>Update from the Chair on his meetings:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair involved in Knowsley Parks ADM work, chairing the review board.</li> <li>• Meetings have been held with the Mayor to build a good relationship.</li> <li>• Low Carbon Advisory Group meets on 13<sup>th</sup> June.</li> </ul>	
5.0	<p><b>Rethinking Parks update – national and local:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RC updated the Group on Knowsley’s work on Rethinking Parks based on a zero budget for green space in 2019.</li> <li>• Review Board in place now exploring options for resourcing and safeguarding Parks in the Borough. Work concludes in July, followed by public consultation, with the feedback leading to a final report by the Independent Board. Request update from Board for September meeting.</li> <li>• NT highlighted that NC agreed to assess what other LA’s are doing.</li> </ul>	<p><b>RC</b></p> <p><b>RC</b></p> <p><b>CD</b></p>
6.0	<p><b>Engagement with the Combined Authority and City Region Mayor:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engaged with City Region Mayor and opportunities to have further conversations.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AJ circulated draft document setting out Nature Connected’s proposition for the Combined Authority. Thanks to NT/CPRE for supporting the work.</li> <li>• Opportunity for the Natural Capital summit to be shared with the Mayor – NC should try to propose a conference later on this year.</li> <li>• Role of Nature Connected as a facilitator and focal point for city region discussions has been discussed with the Mayor (and subsequently Gideon has been appointed as Environmental advisor to the Metro Mayor). Board supported the work to develop the relationship with the Combined Authority and welcomed the engagement with the Metro Mayor.</li> </ul> <p>Nature Connected proposal to the Mayor to be discussed at the September board meeting.</p>	IT/AJ
7.0	<p><b>EU bids – H2020, ESIF and SUD:</b></p> <p>PN gave a brief update on three bids.</p> <p>H2020: Urban GreenUP approved project to deliver Nature Based Solutions in Liverpool. Focussed on 3 areas of the city, Baltic, Jericho Land and the Liverpool BID areas. The work also involves support for a range of other cities involved in the bid.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25 partners, £12m</li> <li>• £4m for work in Liverpool</li> <li>• 5 years</li> </ul> <p>ESIF: The ESIF proposal, emanating from the NC/LEP led work to develop the Green Infrastructure Prospectus has now been submitted and is in the process of being assessed by CLG.</p> <p>SUD: The Sustainable Urban Development Plan will open for applications in the Summer. There is a strong green infrastructure strand in the SUD document. (Update bid submitted on 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug)</p>	
8.0	<p><b>Natural Health Service update:</b></p> <p>Natural Health Service conference was held on 9<sup>th</sup> May, with NC as a partner and with support from MET, LJMU, Innovation Agency and Big Potential.</p> <p>Data from the second year of detailed monitoring of Natural Health Service programmes will be available In September.</p>	

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	<p>DEFRA 25-Year Environment Plan team had a short presentation about the Natural Health Service on a visit to Ainsdale NNR with Natural England.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>	
10.0	<p><b>Any Other Business:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NT – CPRE increasing their profile in city areas, increasing requests to support parks groups.</li> <li>• DW – LWT also getting a lot of people asking how they can help with parks</li> <li>• IT – Northern Forest prospectus being developed. Woodland Trust and the Community Forests working to develop an response to the Northern Powerhouse infrastructure investments.</li> <li>• PB – Leaving Riverside – new person dealing with Partnerships. The Chair thanked Paul for his support and contribution to NC and wished him well for the future – Echoed by the Board.</li> <li>• New dates for 2018 to be circulated with the September agenda</li> </ul>	
11.0	<p><b>Next Meeting:</b></p> <p>2:00 p.m. 26<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at Arup Offices</p>	