EUSTON STRATEGIC BOARD (ESB) ACTIONS

27th March 2019

Time: 10.30am - 12.00pm

Committee Room 3, City Hall

Chair: Cllr Danny Beales (LBC)

The following were in attendance at the meeting:

Camden	Cllr Danny Beales (DB)	Cabinet Member for Investing in Communities
Camden	David Joyce (DJ)	Acting Executive Director – Supporting Communities
DfT	Kate Cohen (KC)	Project Director, Euston, High Speed Rail Group
GLA	Jules Pipe (JP)	Deputy Mayor – Planning, Regeneration & Skills
GLA	Juliemma McLoughlin (JM)	Chief Planner
HS2 Ltd	Mark Witham	Head of Commercial Development
HS2 Ltd	Rob Carr (RC)	Programme Director – Area South
CR2	Isabelle Adams (IA)	Head of Scheme Design
TfL	David Rowe (DR)	Head of the Borough Projects & Programmes
Lendlease	Jonathan Emery	Managing Director, Property, Europe
Lendlease	Rob Heasman	Euston Project Director
Network Rail	Neil Kirkwood (NK)	HS2 Integration Director
Camden	Mary-Ann Lewis (ML)	Euston Programme Manager (notes)
Camden	Molly Critchley	Public Affairs Manager (observing)

Katy Mann (HS2 Programme Manager, LBC), John Myers (Community Representative) and Simon Pitkeathley (Euston BID) joined the meeting for the Community engagement and Community safety items.

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Apologies	
Cllr Georgia Gould (LBC), Michelle Dix (Crossrail 2), Tom Venner (HS2), Lucinda Turner (TfL)	
Actions from the last meeting	
All in progress or on the agenda for discussion	
Planning Brief update	
Mary-Ann Lewis presented the work to date on the Planning Brief and outlined the objectives and guidelines that sit beneath. These had been shared with the Town Planning Working Group and the Management Board and a number of comments have been received which were being considered by the council. Notably there was discussion about the Brief's boundary and Camden agreed to include Hampstead Road in the public realm zone of wider influence.	All to note.

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KC and DR noted that Euston remains a strategically important interchange and it is the public transport offer that provides the basis for the planned development, accordingly it is important to ensure the transport infrastructure and development is properly integrated in order to create a great new place.	
The presentation also outlined the need to push back the timing of consultation to September due to the lack of information on HS2 station design. All agreed this was a sensible approach though it was noted that Camden need to clearly explain the rationale for the push back on the programme again to the community.	Camden to notify community in newsletter of new targeted consultation date for Planning
JE asked if Camden had a hierarchy of place for the borough to illustrate the quality of ambition for Euston. DB noted that the council is committed to producing a Spatial Plan for the Knowledge Quarter which will express the ambition for this area which includes Euston and also DJ added that in terms of scale of ambition for retail the Council has an established retail hierarchy for the borough and that a coordinated retail assessment would be expected to accompany any application for more retail than discussed in the Euston Area Plan.	
Update on integrated studies and station design	
Rob Carr gave an update on the design of the HS2 station in response to the integrated studies and comments from stakeholders noting in particular the changes made along Cobourg Street, the mezzanine level between HS2 and NR which is designed to help with east-west connectivity and the locations of the entrances which are aligned to existing streets. Acknowledged that servicing along Cobourg Street is still an issue.	
The Board noted the progress and Camden asked for more active involvement in design development.	HS2 to consider how to include Camden in discussion on design development.
Consultation and engagement	
John Myers, Katy Mann and Simon Pitkeathley joined the meeting.	
David Joyce presented initial thinking on how to explain what organisations are doing, when and why over the next year in terms of planning for the future of Euston. Also noted the intention to keep the Euston Residents Assembly and use it for future consultation. All agreed that it would be useful to get the information translated into an infographic for distribution and the value of using the Euston Residents Assembly.	Camden to commission infographic work and work with all to produce agreed messaging.
 JM noted that the community are keen to have constructive dialogue and thanked HS2 for the more constructive approach to engagement on the HS2 station recently. SP asked the Board about their levels of awareness of the Euston Green Link that Euston/Camden BID are developing 	

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 and noted that these organisations are doing a lot that the Board aren't aware of. BID can help only to the extent they are in the room. DJ stated that there could be another more detailed plan with activity that others are doing mapped out. There was discussion about whether a centrally coordinated website could be developed to show everything that is happening. JE asked if it was possible to coordinate other programmes in the same way such as training and job creation, so there is one source of information for all the opportunities. Noted that all need to take responsibility to get this right. 	Board to consider ways to engage with Business community. Camden to look at how to produce a more detailed plan focusing on day to day activity. All to consider how other programmes could be coordinated and communicated simply.
 Katy Mann presented slides to highlight the current community safety issues to the west of the station, many of which are as a result of displacement of anti social behaviour from the open spaces taken for construction, and to ask how the organizations round the table can help to address the issues. SP spoke about the lessons learnt from using private security guards employed by Camden BID to help in the area – a uniform presence in the street is what works. DJ emphasized that residents are suffereing from noise/dust/vibration disturbance from construction inside their homes and also are scared to be out due to the anti social behaviour displaced into the estates. RC noted the need to look at the root causes, and highlighted that CSJV are employing 3 homeless people – can we do more like this using a skills strategy and engaging with homeless? JM welcomed a coordinated approach and noted that for a limited cost the community could be greatly helped. KC appreciated this being brought to the attention of the board. DB thought there needed to be a mix of interventions and suggested a cross organization working group could look at this. Suggested a walking tour is organized for members of the Board. RC also noted that there must be some knowledge about how this was addressed at Kings Cross. DJ and DB highlighted the different context at Kings Cross (as in no closures of public open space) and that the landowner curated meanwhile uses and private security. 	Camden to organise walking tour to highlight community safety issues. Camden to lead on setting up a working group to consider safety issues — organisations to nominate a named lead.
AOB None	

Note taker: Mary-Ann Lewis