

The Vision Board Constitution

1. Introduction and purpose

The Lancaster & Morecambe Economic Development Partnership is the aggregate body for all those individuals and bodies who comprise the Vision Board, together with the 6 Vision Steering Groups of the Partnership. The Vision Board is the semi-executive vehicle through which the economic Vision and Strategy for Lancaster & Morecambe is initially devised, through which priorities are established and through which lobbying for funding and support takes place. It also acts as the co-ordination vehicle for the ongoing delivery of the different aspects and projects of the Vision. In doing so it acts in accordance with the terms of reference of the Vision Board which were agreed at its meeting on 24 November 2006.

2. Membership

The core membership of the Vision Board shall be a minimum of 20 people and a maximum of 30, as identified below and this may, as required, be supplemented by additional members, subject to the approval of the Vision Board. Additionally the Board may also, as appropriate, co-opt members on a time limited basis and also invite observers and participants to individual meetings.

A minimum of 13 and a maximum of 20 individuals from the independent sector, one of whom shall act as Chair of the Vision Board and Economic Development Partnership, the others shall each act as Chair, Co-Chair, Deputy Chair or member of one or other of the 6 Steering Groups:

Together with the following individuals from the public sector who are entitled but not obliged to be members:

- The Leader of Lancaster City Council
- A second Lancaster City Councillor
- The Leader of Lancashire County Council
- The Lancashire Area Manager of the NWDA or an alternative NWDA representative of similar influence and responsibility
- • The Director of Economic Development of Lancaster City Council
- • The Chief Executive of Lancaster City Council
- A director of the Lancashire Economic Partnership
- • The MP for Morecambe & Lunesdale) or in the event of boundary changes,
- The MP for Lancaster & Wyre) those MPs representing Lancaster &) Morecambe constituencies

Together with the Vision Board Manager who acts as Secretary to the Board.

In order to promote continuity of membership and attendance at meetings, no substitution shall be permitted in the event that a VB member is unable to attend meetings of the Board (or other events to which VB members are invited).