

Briefing note

To: Business, Economy and Enterprise Scrutiny Board Date: 22nd March 2017

Subject: Very Light Rail

1 Purpose of the Note

1.1 For members of the Business, Economy and Enterprise Scrutiny Board to identify recommendations following their visit to Warwick Manufacturing Group to look at developments being made in Very Light Rail

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Business, Economy and Enterprise Scrutiny Board are recommended to:
 - 1) Identify recommendations to the appropriate Cabinet Member, based on the visit to Warwick Manufacturing Group

3 Information/Background

- 3.1 As part of the Coventry Strategic Transport Investment Programme, agreed at Cabinet and Council on 24th January 2017, it was agreed:
 - To work with development partners and key stakeholders to develop the concept and feasibility of Very Light Rail as an urban rapid transit system;
 - Dependent on the outcome of the above to seek to develop a Very Light Rapid Transit network appropriate for Coventry, subject to full feasibility and business case development.
- 3.2 Members therefore requested more information on Very Light Rail to consider the potential and possibilities for the city.
- 3.3 A visit was planned for 13th March to Warwick Manufacturing Group to give Members an opportunity to ask questions of the organisations at the heart of new developments in this area.

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