



















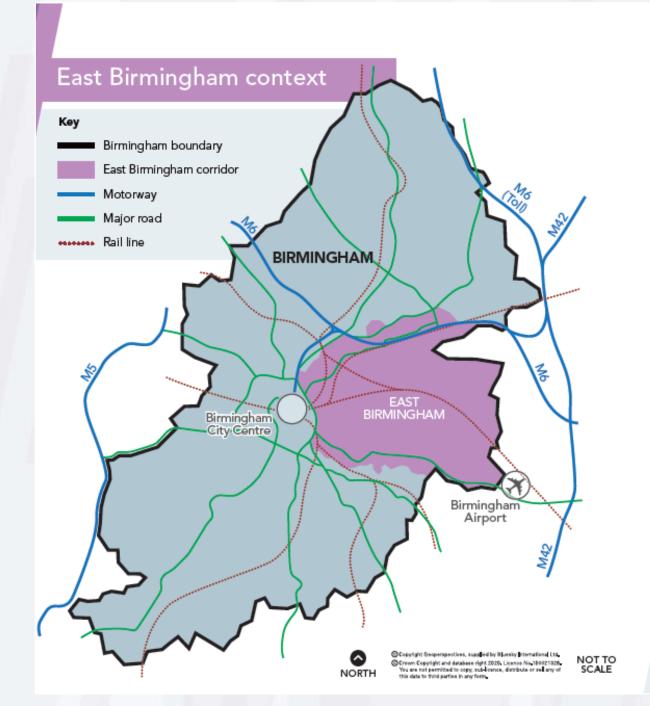
East Birmingham Inclusive Growth

March 2021 Update

# Background

#### The East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Strategy

- The Strategy sets out the Council's approach to the East Birmingham/North Solihull Inclusive Growth Corridor in the context of major planned infrastructural investments including HS2 and the planned Midland Metro extension to Solihull.
- The document was developed in conjunction with key partners including the WMCA, NHS and Solihull MBC.



### Progress Updates March 2021

**15<sup>th</sup> October 2020** 

First meeting of the Ward Members' Forum

The Forum discussed the Strategy and nominated Ward Members to sit on the East Birmingham Board.

**18th October 2020** 

Formal Consultation on EBIGS closed

A full consultation report has been circulated for information and will also be summarised later in this presentation.

More than 830 people took part and shared their views. Nearly all (98 per cent) of the 109 stakeholder organisations which participated in the consultation showed strong support for strategy's plans. The engagement had shortcomings due to COVID, and Officers will be working to address these through the ongoing engagement activities which will now continue as part of the programme.

### Progress Updates March 2021

#### 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020

#### First meeting of East Birmingham Board

The Board agreed Terms of Reference and discussed the Strategy and initial steps towards a delivery plan. The Board supported the proposed approach and asked for further information on implementation to be brought to the next meeting which will be arranged for Spring 2021.

Since the meeting the East Birmingham team have been working within the Council and with key partners to develop a draft implementation plan. This will be brought to the Board and Ward Members' Forum for discussion.

#### 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021

#### **EBIGS adopted by Cabinet**

The Strategy was adopted by the City Council on February 9th.

### **Consultation Summary**

Originally planned as primarily face-to-face meetings in the community the consultation had to be shifted online and was extended from the planned three months to a total of eight (Feb-Oct)

#### Consultation has included:

- Launch event with press coverage
- Direct email consultations and onward circulation by partners
- Stakeholder meetings online and, where possible, in person
- Printed materials distributed to libraries and community facilities
- Ward Members and MPs briefed
- Information packs to all schools
- Web: Council's webpage, Be Heard, Facebook and Twitter
- Internal within Council Yammer



### **Consultation Summary**

**Duration:** 34 Weeks

Launch event: 96 attended

**Direct email:** 400+ stakeholders

Wider reach: multiple orgs cascaded to their mailing lists

**Online Surveys:** 353 responses across two platforms

**Stakeholder sessions:** 109 meetings

**Focus Group Sessions:** facilitated by local partners

Citizen's Panel Meetings: BCC panel (two meetings)

Ward Members' Forum: including all 26 Members – to become quarterly

Local Ward Forums: briefings and information packs provided

Ongoing work: NNS Steering groups, Local Employment and Skills Board



### Meetings

Age Concern

Age UK – Birmingham

Alum Rock Community Forum

В8

**Bachelors Farm Playing Fields** 

BEIS

Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust

Birmingham Anchor Network Birmingham Children's Trust Birmingham City University

Birmingham City FC

Birmingham Metropolitan College Birmingham Open Spaces Forum

**BVSC** 

**Canal and Rivers Trust** 

Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens Trust

Centre For The New Midlands

Centre for West Midlands History (University Of

Birmingham)

Chamber of Commerce / Asian Chamber of Commerce

Citizens' Forum

CleanUpUK / Beautiful Birmingham Community Action Small Heath

**Compass Support** 

Digikick

Diverse Community Garden Ward End

**DWP** 

East Birmingham Collective

East Employment and Skills Board

Eastwards Consortium Environment Agency Firs, Bromford and Hodge Hill (Together We Can)

Free@Last

Friends Of Small Heath Park Friends Of Ward End Park

Friends of Westley Vale Millennium Green

Federation of Small Businesses George Road Residents Group

Green Lane Mosque

Groundwork
Historic England

Home Start (Cole Valley) / Home Start (Castle Vale)

Homes England Housing 21

HS2

**Inland Waterways Association** 

I-SE Birmingham
Jaguar Land Rover

Living Streets Birmingham

Montgomery Street Co-operative

Natural England Nechells POD

NHS Birmingham and Solihull CCG

Norton Hall Pioneer Group Places in Common

**POhWER** 

**Public Health England** 

PURE Project Roots & Branches SIFA Fireside

Small Heath Community Forum

Solihull MBC

South & City College Birmingham

Spring Housing Association St Edburgha's Church Yardley

St Giles (Sheldon) & St Peter's Church (Tile Cross)

St John's House

St Pauls Crossover Project St Peter's Urban Village Trust

St Richard's Church

St Thomas Church and Community Project

Stechford and Glebe Farm Residents Association

Stechford Baptist Church Swan Shopping Centre

**TAWS** 

The Disability Resource Centre
The Real Junk Food Project
Thrive Together Birmingham
Transport for West Midlands
University Hospitals Birmingham

Webster & Horsfall Welcome Change

West Midlands Combined Authority

West Midlands Fire Service

West Midlands Police

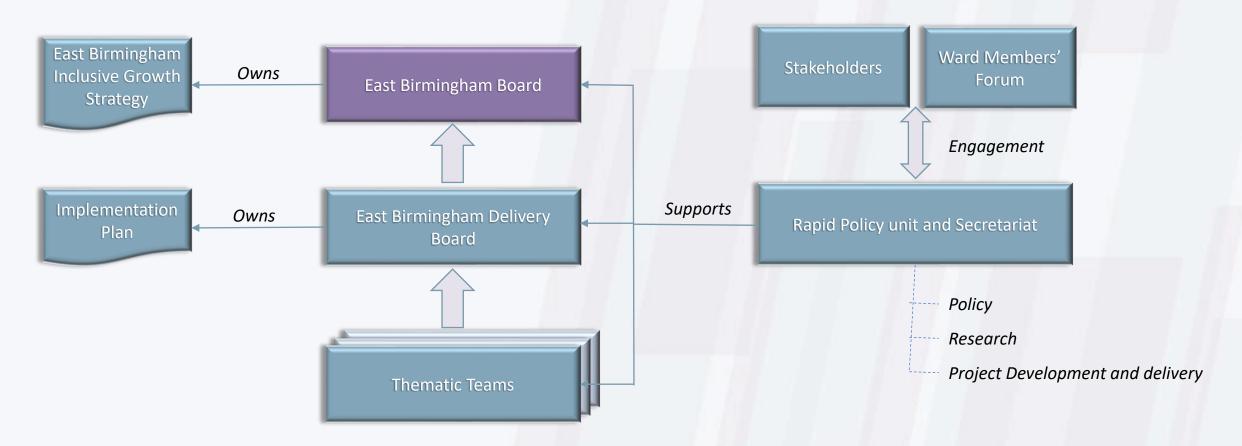
Witton Lodge Community Association

Women Empowering Women Women's Enterprise Centre

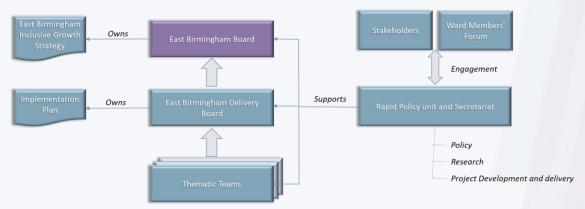
Yardley Arts Forum

**Yardley Conservation Trust** 

# Setting up the Governance



### Structure



**East Birmingham Board (EBB)**: accountable for the delivery of the Strategy, providing the East Birmingham Delivery Board with political direction and support.

**East Birmingham Delivery Board (EBDB)**: direct successor to the Partnership Board, with responsibility for drawing in resources and for the prioritisation and co-ordination of delivery.

**East Birmingham Thematic Teams**: convened as required where it is necessary to assemble subject matter experts within a particular domain of activity. However, there remains an expectation that all delivery should be built and delivered in partnership and across service and investment silos.

Rapid Policy Unit and Secretariat (RPU) is the team which will support and connect the two Boards and any Thematic Teams and be responsible for day-to-day delivery – ensuring that meetings run as they should, capturing actions and synergies, bringing new partnerships, projects and policies together, and ensuring that the voices of citizens and places are heard throughout.

### East Birmingham Board

In total the Board consists of approximately 20 people, chosen to represent the key partners, service areas and local stakeholders. Members include:

Chair: Local MP

Deputy Chair: Leader of the Council

Cabinet Member, Transport and Environment

Cabinet Member for Social Inclusion, Community

Safety and Equalities

Ward Members (nominated by WM Forum)

CeX of the Council

Director, Public Health

Director, Inclusive Growth

Director, Adults and Social Care

HS2 Ltd.

National Health Service (Bsol CCG)

Transport for West Midlands

West Midlands Combined Authority

Children's Trust

Solihull MBC

Business representative(s)

Education representative(s)

VCSE representative(s)



**Next Steps** 

East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Programme

## Objectives

The Council is committed to reducing inequalities and building a fair, inclusive city. We will do this by making sure that the benefits of growth are shared more fairly, providing new opportunities for local people to change their lives for the better and delivering lasting improvements to living standards, education and skills, access to jobs and opportunities, health, the environment, local places and transport. **This is what is meant by Inclusive Growth.** 

#### **EBIGS Objective Themes**

Equality

**Education and Learning** 

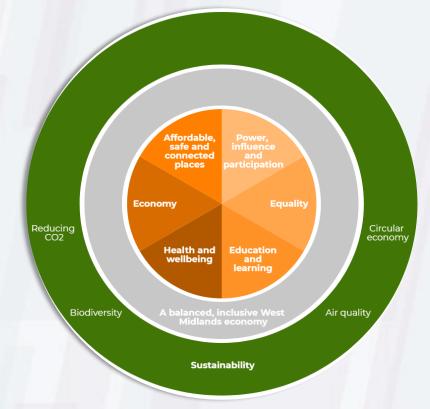
Health and Wellbeing

Affordable, Safe and Connected

**Economy** 

Power, Influence and Participation

The Environment



Source: WMCA Inclusive Growth Framework

### Core Concepts

- A comprehensive multi-agency approach that links the macro (major infrastructure and development) and the micro (local projects and grassroots community development).
- Long term, sustainable investment: a 20 year+ programme of activity with continuity and resilience.
- Taking a flexible iterative and incremental approach to implementation: scale up over time but deliver initial benefits quickly while working towards bigger opportunities.
- Development, infrastructure and real estate as catalysts for social value, community wealth building and the just transition to zero carbon.
- Enhancing, accelerating and co-ordinating projects and activities across a wide range of workstreams and using East Birmingham as the preferred location for pilots of wider initiatives e.g. Digital inclusion, R20, Transport Plan.
- Lobbying for the delivery of strategic transport infrastructure which will amplify the benefits of place-based interventions.
- The initial investment into the programme will **leverage much larger external funding** both public and private.
- Establishing strong and productive relationship with local communities and VCSE partners with BCC leading by example on procurement and recruitment. Empowering the community to play a key role in the programme.
- Actively supporting the development of community assets, community enterprises, community leadership and economic resilience.
- Investing in the future through prevention and early intervention.

### Programme Objectives

#### By 2040:

- 1. Improve performance across a range of key socio-economic indicators corresponding with the seven objectives set out in the East Birmingham Inclusive Growth Strategy to at least the national average.
- 2. Deliver 5,000 homes within the area, of which a minimum of 35% will be at least affordable
- 3. Create at least 6,000 jobs within the area which will pay the Real Living Wage
- 4. To support the Council's aspiration to be net carbon neutral by 2030, or as soon after as a just transition permits

#### **Objective 1 sub-objectives**

Equality

**Education and Learning** 

Health and Wellbeing

Affordable, Safe and Connected

Economy

Power, Influence and Participation

The Environment

### Implementation Plan

Initial proposals for delivery are set out in the EBIGS.

An implementation plan is now required setting out how projects and interventions within each of these thematic areas will be progressed. This will include details of:

- Scope
- Timescale and Phasing
- Funding
- Responsibility/ownership
- Relationships & dependencies
- Outputs

Some initial project concepts have been developed which have the potential to become Phase 1 projects.

#### **Workstream Title**

Health and Wellbeing improvement

Skills review and investment plan

Schools and Early Years improvement

Expand business support

Local places and green spaces

Transport improvements

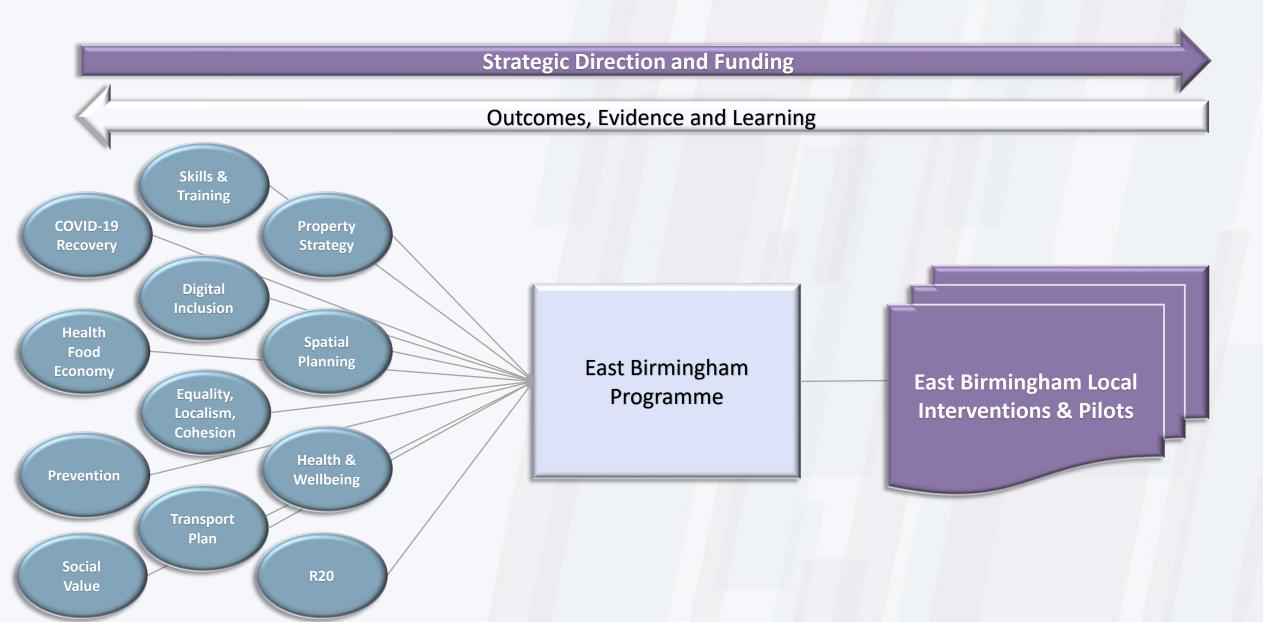
Housing and development

Climate change and green technologies

Localism, community development and engagement

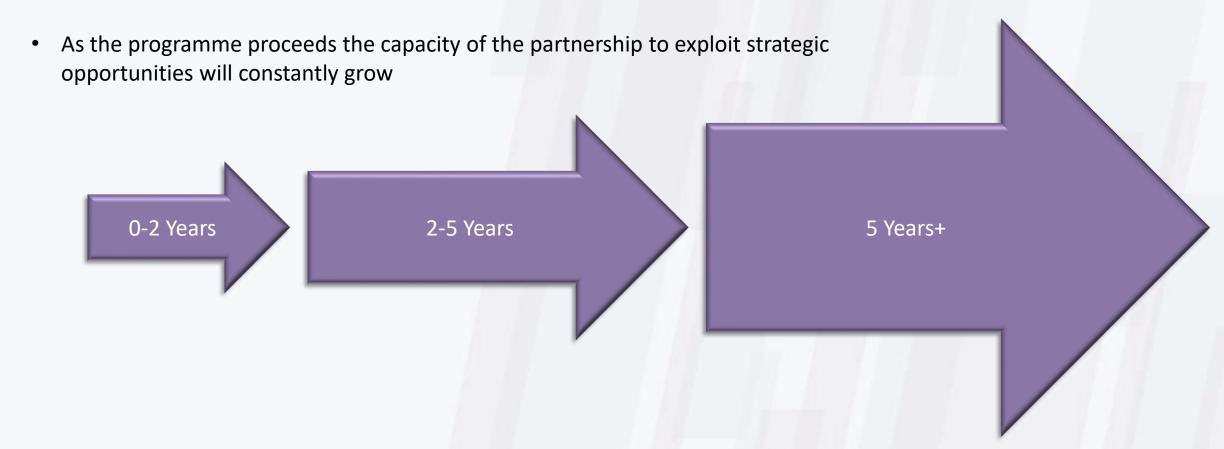
Social value and community wealth building

### A Focus for Innovation

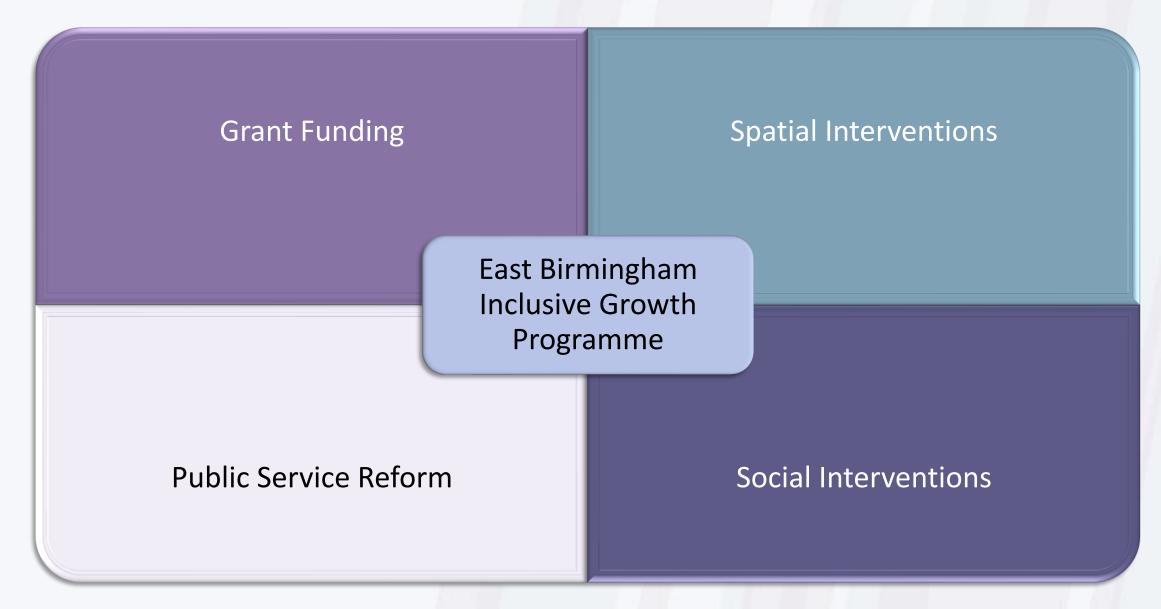


# Programme lifecycle

- Early interventions will start immediately
- In parallel development work will unlock opportunities to work at larger scales



# Programme Scope



# Approach: Blended Delivery

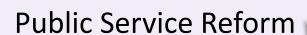


Business Support
Inclusive Growth
Seed Funding
Co-op development



#### **Spatial Interventions**

Local Centres & Major Sites
Transport – 15 minute city
Green Infrastructure
Metro & Rail
Green economy



Procurement and Recruitment
Collaboration
Service Delivery
Data and Insight



Community Wealth Building Skills, Training & Education Comms and Engagement Healthy Food Economy

### 2021 Scope of work

WORKSTREAM	TASKS	OUTPUTS
Programme OBC	<ul> <li>Expand all cases from SOBC</li> <li>Bring to Cabinet Mid 2021</li> </ul>	Approved funding for Programme team and development budget
Mobilisation of Programme Team	<ul> <li>Confirm resource structure</li> <li>Write JDs/Briefs for required resources</li> <li>Recruit (phased)</li> <li>Induct and mobilise</li> </ul>	Additional resources available for delivery of the workplan
Project Development	Develop project business cases within workstreams	Project OBCs & FBCs
Project Delivery	Delivery of projects in accordance with business cases	Project outputs
Programme Facilitation and ongoing activities	<ul> <li>Programme Management</li> <li>Community development and engagement</li> </ul>	Board Meetings Rapid Policy Unit Community Development

### **Next Steps**

**March 2021** 

**Second Meeting of the East Birmingham Board** 

The main item will be the draft Outline Business Case for the programme including the Phase 1 Implementation Plan

**Summer 2021** 

**Outline Business Case Approved** 

The Outline Business Case will be approved by the Council's Cabinet, releasing the main programme funding