### Launching our Place Strategy 13 November 2023

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## WELCOME







"We're at a critical turning point where funding and vision can come together to create opportunities for a more vibrant future for Mansfield as a place to live, work, visit and invest."

Mayor Andy Andrew Abrahams, Executive Mayor of Mansfield

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### **Place Shaping and the Place Board**

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Andrew Cropley Principal and CEO, West Nottinghamshire College Chair, Mansfield Place Board

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## THE PLACE BOARD – CORE GROUP

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Adam Hill – CEO, Mansfield District Council

**Mayor Andy Abrahams** – Mansfield District Council

**Sharon Huttly** – Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Nottingham Trent University

**Ben Bradley** – Member of Parliament; Leader, Nottinghamshire County Council

**Richard Crisp** – Commercial Development Executive, Mansfield Building Society **Vanessa Whitton** – CEO, Mansfield Community and Voluntary Services

**Rebekah O'Neill** – Centre Manager, Four Seasons Shopping Centre

Michael Fisher – Director, Linney

**Jay Rowlinson** – CEO, Mansfield Business Improvement District

**Derek Higton** – Nottinghamshire County Council **Melanie Phythian** – Deputy Area Lead (Nottinghamshire), Cities & Local Growth Unit

**Will Morlidge** – CEO, D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership

**David Ainsworth** – Director of Strategy & Partnerships, Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Hayley Wood – Co-Chair, Mansfield & Ashfield 2020



# THE PLACE BOARD – WIDER GROUP



- B Jephson (Mansfield) Ltd
- Fidler & Pepper
- Electric Bear
- Asquith Primary School
- Inspire

- Futures
- Mansfield Town FC
- Nottinghamshire Police
- Department for Work & Pensions
- Active Notts

- Environment Agency
- Oxford Innovation
- Homes England

# THE PLACE BOARD EVOLUTION



Established 2019 as a pre-requisite for Towns Fund Bid

### Towns Fund – 12.6M

- Future Tech Skills and Knowledge Exchange (£9.25M)
- Warsop Health Hub (£6.6M)
- Destination Parks (£3M)
- Mansfield Woodhouse Station Gateway (0.55M)
- SMART Mansfield (£1M)
- Destination Mansfield (£0.7M)

- Levelling Up Fund £20M Mansfield Connect (Beales)
- Levelling Up Partnership £20M proposals Submitted
- Long Term Town Plan £20M flexible
- Largely Responsive
- Determined to become pro-active
- Exploit strength of partnerships
- Challenge partners to align strategically



### **Our Place Strategy Journey**

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Matt Youdale Arch Communications

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# **A LOCAL STRATEGY**



8 month district-wide process

Individuals, businesses, organisations

- Public survey and focus groups
- Events and votes



Research and benchmarking



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## WHAT WE LEARNT



### Assets and challenges: a lot of consensus



### Positive

- Central well-connected location
- Good digital networks
- Green spaces & heritage buildings
- 🗘 Successful businesses
- Resilient people a place with heart
- Strong partnerships



### Negative

- 💗 Wages need to be higher
- Deprivation/inequality challenges
- 🗘 Be more ambitious
- 🗘 Look forward, not back
- Mansfield town centre needs a lift
- Improve our reputation



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## CONDITIONS FOR SUCCESS



Collaboration – part of something bigger

Build on existing plans

- Flagship projects as a catalyst
- Winning hearts & minds 'power of positive'
- Research and benchmarking

"We completely undersell what we've become."



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# THE POWER OF POSITIVE

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# Born and bred in Mansfield, Rachel

Richards is living proof of the district's creative and entrepreneurial spirit.

After a 20-year career in social care, Rachel decided on a career change and set up Toffee Hut as an online business in 2019. Within the first few months, the website attracted wholesale orders and interest from world-famous names such as Harrods.

### Affordable housing

It's easier to get on the housing ladder in Mansfield



#### **Business start-ups**

Mansfield is a great place to do business





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# **PULLING IT ALL TOGETHER**





Mansfield is a place where everyone can make it in life



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## THE STRATEGY





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## AMBITIONS

## **MEANINGFUL ACTIONS**

## **REAL STORIES**

IMPACT



- Visitor numbers and length of stay

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- The number of jobs paid below
- People with high-level gualifications
- ...and with no qualifications
- Levels of economic inactivity
- Health and wellbeing, including
- Local people's levels of physical activity
- Rates of use of parks and green spaces
- People's perception of personal safety

## LAUNCH VIDEO

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### Next steps Andrew Cropley

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# WHAT HAPPENS NEXT



Safe, Healthy,

Engaged

**Communities** 



**Town Centre** 

Pride and Promotion

Growth and Opportunity



External Perspective

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## SAFE, HEALTHY, ENGAGED COMMUNITIES



- Listen to our communities about what they need and want
- Tackle the things which prevent some people from accessing services
- Develop plans to ensure all neighbourhoods have the support they need
- Increase opportunities to volunteer and participate in community life
- Improve connections across the Mansfield district through digital networks

- Provide more opportunities for people to be active and encourage them to make healthy lifestyle choices
- Make it easy for every resident to access health services when they need them
- Work with individuals and neighbourhoods to understand the causes of anti-social behaviour, and find ways to address it
- Launch a district-wide campaign to improve Mansfield's environment
- Ensure Mansfield is a welcoming place where people are safe and feel safe

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Vanessa Whitton Mansfield CVS

**David Ainsworth** Sherwood Forest Hospitals

Adam Hill Mansfield District Council

Inspector Kylie Davies Nottinghamshire Police

David Woolley NTU

**Janine Walker** (from Jan 24) Futures

**Mariam Amos** Mansfield District Council

# **TOWN CENTRE**



 Evolve Mansfield town centre into a vibrant, flexible space, in order to attract more people



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Rebekah O'Neill Four Seasons

Hayley Wood Mansfield & Ashfield 2020

**Gary Jordan** Chair, Mansfield BID

**Julie Snowdon** Mansfield District Council

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# **PRIDE AND PROMOTION**

- Celebrate everything that is good about Mansfield, including our diversity and culture
- Promote Mansfield as a place to visit and stay, to explore our many local attractions
- Celebrate and promote our parks and other green spaces, to help people get nearer to nature
- Build our programme of cultural and other events throughout the district







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Michael Fisher ex Linney

**Rebekah O'Neill** Four Seasons

**Richard Crisp** Mansfield Building Society

**Helen Sisson** Mansfield District Council

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# **GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY**

- Engage local businesses to create pathways to higher-skilled jobs
- Promote local opportunities for individuals to progress their careers
- Help employers and education providers use local career opportunities to inspire learners of all ages to fulfil their potential
- Create more opportunities for people to gain new skills throughout their working lives
- Work together to help those excluded from the workforce to find employment
- Identify and support local businesses with strong potential for growth
- Tackle the things which prevent some people from accessing opportunities



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## **EXTERNAL PERSPECTIVE**

- Increase opportunities for Mansfield people by working closely with neighbouring areas
- Create a clear offer to encourage outside businesses to "Make it in Mansfield"
- Ensure Mansfield's place in a wider investment strategy for the East Midlands
- Develop a strategy for attracting emerging industries, such as clean energy



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**Louise Knott** West Nottinghamshire College

**Joanne Godson** Fidler & Pepper

**Chris Grocock** Futures

**Mike Robinson** Mansfield District Council

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## **KEY LOCAL PARTNERS PULLING TOGETHER** ...



We are all committed to leading our respective organisations in support of this strategy, aligning our own plans and securing resources through our own routes wherever we can – to help deliver our shared ambitions.

## ... AND LOOKING TO MAKE WIDER LINKS



# We will also look to forge strong partnerships beyond our boundaries to realise Mansfield's full potential.

## **GET INVOLVED**



### Join the Wider Place Board

- Two Meetings per Year
- 🏶 On Teams
- Review Progress of Project Teams
- Inform Bids and Plans
- Approval Required from Core Place Board
  - and rew.cropley@wnc.ac.uk

### Join a Project Team

Contact one of the project leaders

### Input to a Project

Contact one of the project leaders

### **Respond to Consultations**

- ggeorge@mansfield.gov.uk
- Share with your network

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