

Equine Hub Focus Group Key Notes and Actions						latest update 5 December, 2016	
Present:	William Gittus, Alison Huxley, Chris Garibaldi, Rachel Hood and Jill Korwin						
Apologies:	John Morrey and Dawn Goodfellow						
Theme	Activity	Owner	Start	End	RAG	Status	Comms opportunity
The Newmarket Offer: Newmarket recognised beyond the horseracing industry as UK and world world's no 1 equine/ racing/ breeding/research cluster.	Lead a bid to achieve World Heritage status	CG			Amber	Although applications not expected to open until 2022, CG has made contact with Oxford University and may be interest in progressing. 5/12 Chris to follow up and arrange a meeting with Oxford lead. NTC looking to appoint someone to get neighbourhood plan over the line. That role could support this application.	
	Support the application for Royal Newmarket (RN) status. Progressing - want to rename road Queen Elizabeth II road - seeking permission to do this . Not clear what the timescale is for this.	RH			Green	5/12 Statue has been unveiled. May be issue with road name as typically royal name typically only granted when Monarch has passed away. Waiting for decision.	when decision made
	Develop the supply chain around Newmarket and Horse Racing businesses				Amber	Follow up from Deloitte's report. SQW report being updated.	Report due early next year to use whole year 2016 figures
	Develop a Script for Newmarket to show what the HorseRacing Industry delivers for the economy	AH & WAG	15/05/2016	30/07/2016		AH & GL to gather local information both Councils have, Share format and work with WAG and Horsemans' group to develop. A leaflet has been produced together with a digital version - WAG to send out. SQW report updating report. 5/12 Alison has prepared an infographic - to be agreed.	1/9 Fact sheet to be publicised - ready. All to look at how we can publicise from our website.
Equine infrastructure: Over next 10 years 1000 new horses attracted to the area.	Uphill Gallop: Develop a business case to achieve LEP interest and funding and submit planning application	WAG				Business Plan developed. Planning Application submitted and funding being sought. Cost in excess of £10m. Working with LEPs. Good racing post coverage and local media coverage. 5/12 update -issues from Anglian Water being followed up.	

	<p>Key worker housing/hostel/Hous-ing for stable staff - young persons accomodation (20 unit) + 144 homes.</p>	WAG				<p>JC sites in local plan consultation. Racing Welfare report has been published - issue of availability rather than affordability. Planning application submitted - Further Key worker housing being explored. (ready Summer 2018) that can then release other housing for younger people. RW has detailed pp for 21 units of dementia friendly housing in Howard De Walden Way. Will then look at other retirement accommodation 5/12 Public consultation this week. Meeting being set up with FHDC, a developer and JCE to look at affordable housing issues.</p>	
	<p>Develop Crèche facilities: working with SCC to develop facilities and access to funding that meet the needs of racing staff - eg appropriate hours</p>	DG				<p>Survey completed and met with trainers. Worked with SCC Early Years (Gareth Betts-Davies) - feedback that there was a current offer but was not being taken up. Looking at setting up an industry wide childcare voucher scheme that addresses the affordability issue. 5/12 RW meeting with Racing Welfare re Creche facilities.</p>	
<p>Local /supporting infrastructure: Sustainable long term plan for traffic management.</p>	<p>Support the Transport Group to commission appropriate transport surveys and consider findings</p>	JK				<p>5/12 Survey commissioned for HoHR for Summer, Full update requested from transport group.</p>	

	Support the transport group to continue to lobby for improved road and rail links	Sara Noonan				Station improvement works complete; New information available about infrastructure upgrade required being work to level crossings (not tunnel etc etc). Anglia Route Feasibility study around 'the art of the possible' imminent. Abellio have new contract and want to work with partners. Road Signs updated. 5/12 RIS2 update has been submitted to include Junctions 37 feasibility study. Wider update sought from transport group.	
Skills: 250 local apprenticeships: Leads UK in investment in training	Linking with TRET and Education Group, support development of Careers brokerage service. (Contract to deliver brokerage service awarded to TCHC) Issue: availability of people to work in racing industry. Apprenticeships can be hard work for smaller business. Link giving more info/examples on the LEP Sector Skills Plans http://www.newanglia.co.uk/sector-skills-plans/	Jonathan Miles				"I can be a" has been launched. BHA have "Careers in Racing" website and doing a lot of promotion and opportunity to link into this - Zoe Elliot is contact. GL to make link. I can be a due to launch next month - 14th October at ITFC. Amy and Grant have convened an education group. (Under starters orders will double in the number of children that go through it). Education links improving. FHDC wanting to understand skills needs - speak to National Training Federation - Shelly Perham shelly@shelleyperham.com they will have done work nationally. BHA industry and development team - Gill Greeves Ggreeves@horseracing.com. Need to develop a horse racing industry channel. 5/12 - agreed this needed more co-ordination - SCC to look at sector skills plan; FHDC to support. Jon Miles, FHDC Senior Growth Officer and Michael Gray, SCC Skills Team to meet and discuss way forward.	I can be a - opp to link to horseracing industry through National Studs and British Racing School.

<p>Science research & innovation: £5m funding secured for sector related innovation/research; Five new research partnerships/projects</p>	<p>Stable waste recycling (bio energy opportunity). Burning is currently the only treatment method. No long-term contracts with current disposal supplier. May be research funding available. Explore funding with support from SCC inward investment, FHDC Economic Dev and GL. Need to find use for heat as will generate significant heat.</p>	<p>WAG</p>				<p>WAG has met with potential supplier re a boiler that is ceramic lined so can deal with nitrates etc in horse waste. Looking at how they could be trialled. Looking at small proof of concept maybe at National Stud/Racecourse. Scaling it up to deal with large quantities. Looking at locally sited boilers to reduce transport. Has visited a number of European ops and speaking with FHDC (Peter Gudde). 5/12 update: still uncertainty re tech and solutions re heat. Noted in In Sweden heat goes into District Heating systems and interested in how that could work with housing schemes.</p>	
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