

Annual General Meeting

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Delivering Impact from Insight: LEP Performance Review 2017/18

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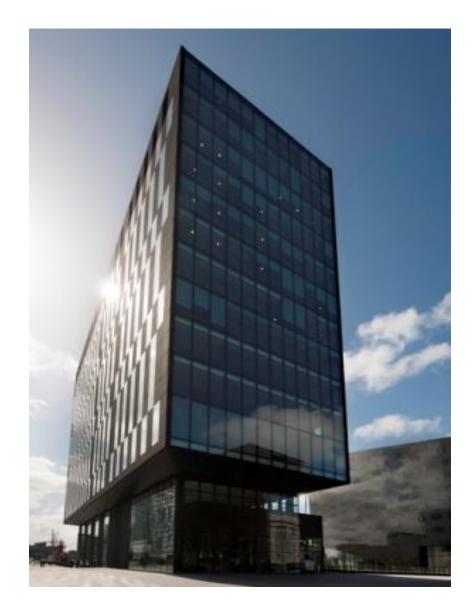
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A YEAR OF CHANGE

- Election of LCR Metro Mayor Steve Rotheram May 2017
- Moved in alongside Combined Authority (CA) in 1 Mann Island shortly after election
- Invested in building a close and effective partnership with the Mayor and Combined Authority & wider partners: Team LCR
- Led for LCR on major programmes in **Digital** Connectivity and Renewable Energy
- LEP Chair became CA Portfolio Lead for LCR Business & Brexit
- Made decision to invest in providing Executive support to CA whilst it was building its capacity and deliver extensive activity programme





INSIGHTS PROGRAMME



- LCR Insights Programme for LCR businesses providing latest thinking, experts & support to support increased productivity
- 2017/18 Programme 9 events included:
 - Productivity through Diversity
 - Digital Summit (sold out)
 - Future Proofing PBS business
 - Skills & Apprenticeships
 - 1st LEP Annual Conference (sold out)
- 2018/19 Programme 10 events including:
 - Cyber Security; Blockchain
 - Workplace Health & Wellbeing
 - Digital Summit (sold out)
 - 2nd LEP Annual Conference
 - Brexit Summit with Anand Menon (28 Nov)





BUSINESS GROWTH



- You told us the business support landscape was cluttered and hard to navigate:
 We established the Local Growth Hub – LCR's business support brokerage service
- Work through 7 local partners to provide local access and avoid duplication
- In 2017/18 the Local Growth Hub helped 3,000 businesses to access support to grow
- In 2018/19 we will support a further 3,000 businesses & will account manage 300 high growth businesses to **Scale up**
- New Markets Programme helping 160 businesses access commercial support to grow with 35% funding via Growth Hub



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SECTOR DEVELOPMENT



- With your help the LEP has championed and invested in our City Region's key growth sectors for 6 years
- We know our globally competitive strengths and assets and have been promoting and developing them further
- Seen by Govt as "Exceptional" in this space in the development of strategy
- Put them at centre of inward investment promotion
- Major sector events, bids for new facilities, research & intelligence, networks, specialist business support programmes





ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

- LCR 4.0 working with UoL, LJMU and others to deliver the UK's leading 4th Industrial Revolution Business Support Programme
- Digital Manufacturing Week 2017 –
 Brought Europe's leading event to Liverpool with 4,000 delegates and innovation showcase for local businesses
- 2018/19: **£20m Smarter NW Pilot** secured and to be launched in Liverpool
- Digital Manufacturing Week 2018 back in Liverpool and even bigger with more opportunities for local business
- Sector Skills Strategy produced led by Sector Board inc. JLR, Siemens etc





DIGITAL CREATIVE & INNOVATION



- Digital Infrastructure Action Plan for City Region developed and agreed with CA – now moving onto detailed specification
- Digital Summit 2017 huge success with 150 delegates
- Digital Summit 2018 another sell out at 300 delegates
- Supporting partner bids for new facilities including:
 - Glass Futures in St Helens (Pilkingtons)
 - Smart Sustainable Plastic Packaging (Unilever)
 - AI Centre with UoL and STFC





HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

- **Health Innovation Exchange** with Innovation Agency supporting 60 SMEs in the sector
- Science Industry Partnership to support skills development in pharma and med tech
- Funding Bids support for new Healthy Ageing and Infectious Diseases Programmes





PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Baseline and Strategic Priorities Review published – led by business
- Partnering to commission CBD Strategic Regeneration Framework with City/BID and private sector
- Partnering with Schools & Universities with mentoring and work shadowing



ENERGY



- Combined Authority Power from the Mersey project supported by the LEP. Initial evaluation complete. Phase 2 now under way. Aim for full business case by Dec 2019
- NW Energy Hub being established at the LEP to provide advice, support and leadership to energy projects in LCR and across the NW
- Bids in development for Hydrogen
 Transport System for the City Region
 Hydrogen vehicle refuelling in St Helens &
 Halton and Hydrogen train fleet
- Working with multiple public and private sector partners and developing supply chains



VISITOR ECONOMY



Destination Performance:

Visitors up to 73m (2.7% up)
Paid accommodation up to 2.63m (2.6% up)
54,000 jobs (3.5% up)
4.5bn economic impact (6% up)

- New Destination Marketing Strategy developed for Liverpool with partners to run to 2021/22 to generate extra £171m in visitor spend in next 3 years. Work under way on Wirral Strategy
- Work on future funding options inc potential for a visitor levy



TRADE & INVESTMENT

- First ever Internationalisation Strategy developed for the City Region – informed and led by the LEP with businesses and universities and evidence based
- Inward Investment project handling for all DIT enquiries into LCR – 42 project successes in 2017/18
- Account Management of 60 overseas businesses - 12 investment projects
- Collaboration with Northern Powerhouse partners focussed on our key strengths
- All Delivery to be private sector led and integrated into One Front Door (India Tech Summit 11/12 December 2018)





EDUCATION & SKILLS

- Schools Enterprise Network established with 100 LCR secondary schools supported by 80 volunteer enterprise advisors to embed and coordinate enterprise and business
- Sector Skills Strategies and programmes of employer led skills & training initiatives partnering with providers and 3rd sector
- 2018/19 will see the establishment of LCR
 Careers Hub for schools led by the LEP for 34
 Schools with enhanced support to improve the 8 Gatsby Benchmarks in every school
- Work with Universities to enhance graduate retention in the City Region
- Work with Colleges to ensure courses match with current and future jobs market





