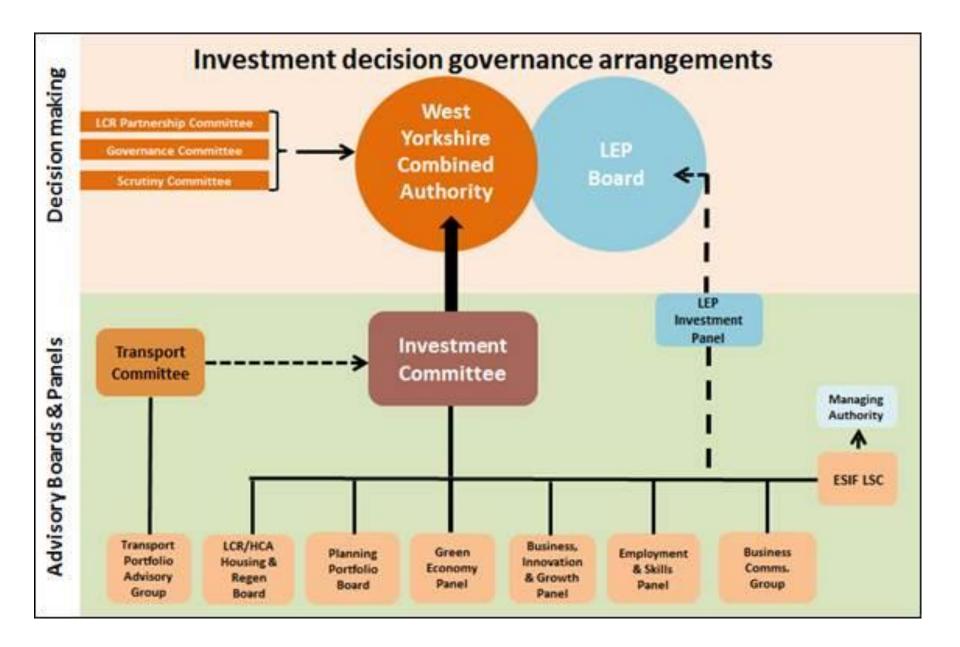
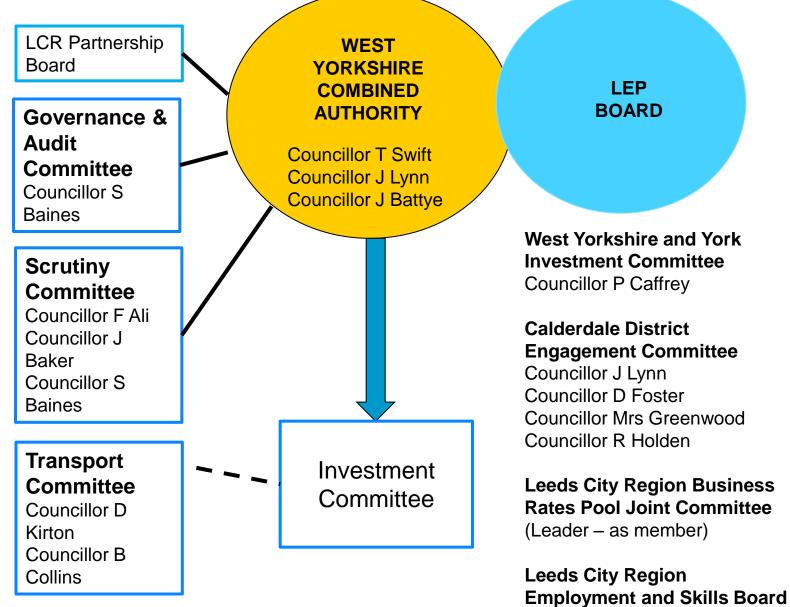


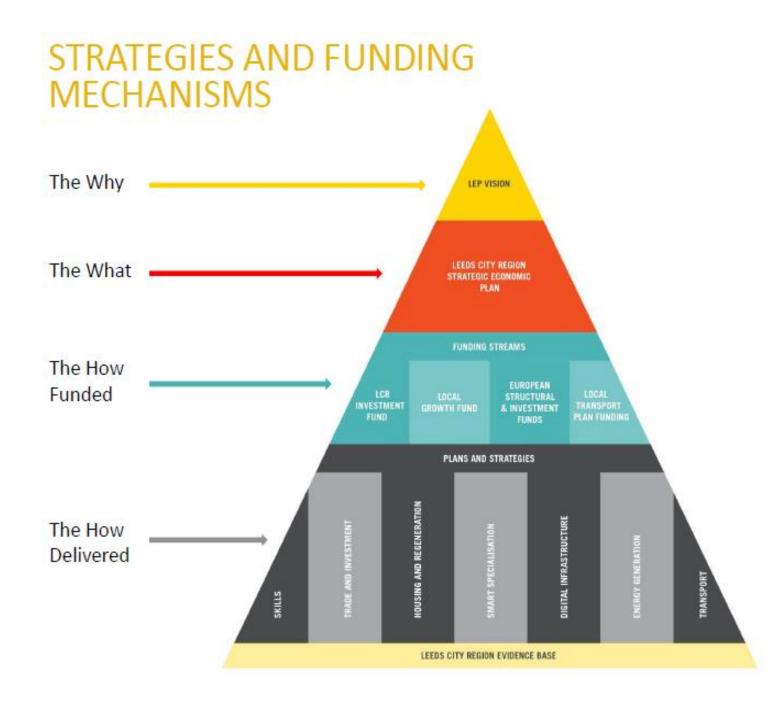
Understanding the City Region

Thursday 5th March 2015





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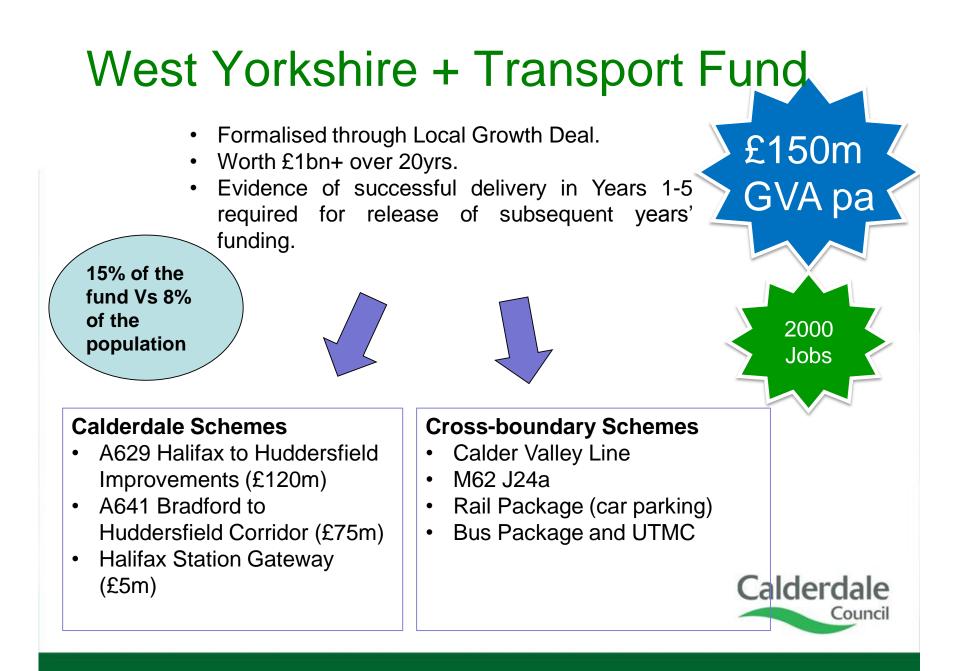
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Employment and Skills

- Apprenticeship Hubs helped create 1135 apprenticeships
- Head Start programme helped 355 young people aged 18

 24 into employment
- Devolved youth contract has reduced NEET from 28,000 to 11,000
- Employer ownership pilot securing £17.5m for SME's to upskill.
- Better informed choices project delivered fact sheets and video clips about careers across key growth sectors
- Audit of schools on Enterprise activity to shape future resources.

Business Development and Investment

- LCR prioritises 6 sectors, <u>Financial & Professional Services</u>, Health & Life Sciences, <u>Manufacturing</u>, Creative & Digital, Food & Drink, Low Carbon.
- Business capital projects are focussed on 6 innovation centres. None of these are in Calderdale (nearest is Bradford).
- Inward Investment was subcontracted to Leeds & Partners but is coming in house to the Combined Authority.
- The current LCR Capital Grant scheme is to continue. 40 Calderdale companies have benefited to date (£1.76m).
- Calderdale Council are considering bidding with other LAs for a Business Enterprise Programme, partly ESIF funded.
- A new LCR Growth Hub launches in April 2015. Calderdale has been offered 50% funding for one officer post.

Town Centre Delivery Plan

Provide the Council with a set of realistic proposals that will further enhance the existing town centre offer and stimulate, generate and secure long term investment and development.

Potential Delivery Plan Objectives

 Capitalise on WY+TF Investment.
 Unlocking sites to attract investment
 Attracting people to spend more time in Halifax town centre, creating vibrancy and buzz

4. Providing commercial accommodation to support existing business and encourage growth

5. Giving greater recognition to Halifax's heritage status

6.Broadening Halifax's social and cultural offer

7. Providing space to support skills and education

Potential Delivery Plan Sites



Green Agenda

Already taking place

- Appointment of Better Homes delivery consortium to provide energy saving and affordable warmth works to 1355 properties by Mar 2018
- Council initiative for Affordable Warmth in addition to above
- West Yorks plus York Car Club
- Electric vehicle charger points, tourism and others
- Environmental business audits and awards
- Calderdale Energy Future, Calderdale Community Energy

Planned

- Solar PV scheme for schools
- Joint funding bids for large scale works – district heating, eco tourism, transportation
- Development of Cromwell Bottom to include various renewable technologies
- Joint work promoting good air quality
- Energy Accelerator
- Proposed Hyrdro schemes at Cromwell Bottom and Copley at feasibility stage









• LEP Strategic Investment Priority 4 –

Delivering the infrastructure for growth

- "Regenerate key centres and expand and improve our housing stock to fit the growing needs of our residents and the economy"
- North Halifax Transformation
- Beech Hill (Halifax Town Centre proposal)



