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10 March 2021 – 12 noon
Microsoft Teams





AGENDA

- 1. Chairman's Welcome, Apologies & Declarations of Interest – Simon Blaxill (5 mins)**
- 2. Government Announcement & Discussion – Adrian Pritchard (30 mins)**
- 3. Next Steps – Simon Thorp (5 mins)**
- 4. Closing Remarks & Future Meetings – Simon Blaxill (5 mins)**



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1. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Simon Blaxill
Chair



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2. GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT & DISCUSSION



Adrian Pritchard
Chief Executive
Colchester Borough Council



- **Bid submitted for £25M for:**
 - **Digital Working Hubs & Queen Street Grow-on space**
 - **Transforming Youth Facilities**
 - **Redevelopment of Wilson Marriage Digital Skills Hub**
 - **Public realm improvement of Town Centre and Gateways**
 - **Development of Heart of Greenstead**
 - **Accelerated implementation of 5G**
 - **Creation of Walking and Cycling links**
 - **Development of Liveable Neighbourhoods**
- **Government offer £18.2M**
- **Heads of Terms to be signed**



- **Need to prioritise within funding envelope offered (73% of bid) – with options for leveraging external funding and value engineering (to discuss)**
- **Engagement required to support this during pre-Election period (Advisory Group, Assembly)**
- **Confirm projects being taken forward (and decision re fast-track projects) by 30 April 2021**
- **Business cases then developed for projects**
- **Summary Document to MHCLG by March 2022**



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3. NEXT STEPS



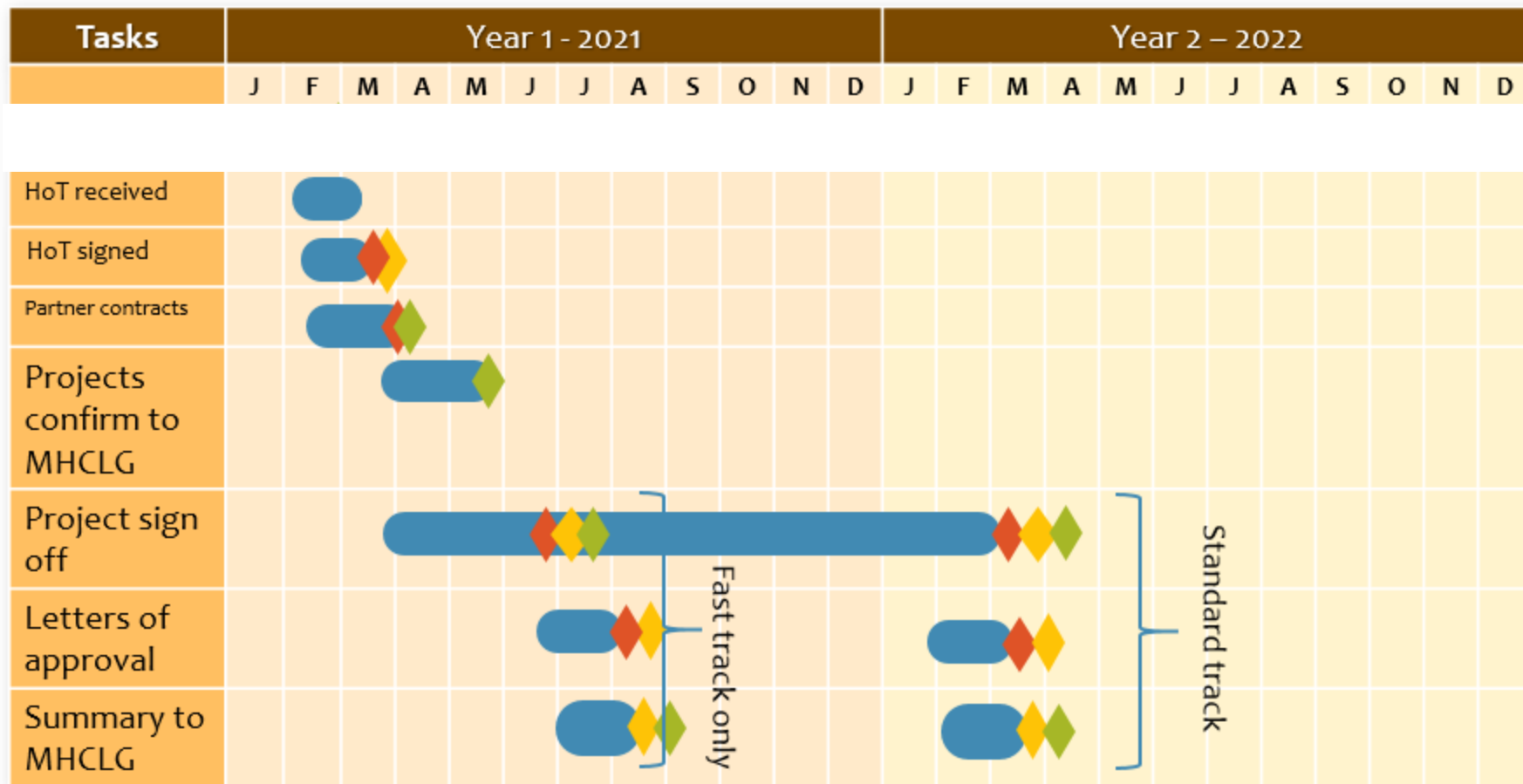
Simon Thorp
Project Manager

NEXT STEPS

What?	Who?	When?
CBC Cabinet approve Heads of Terms	Accountable Body	10 March 2021
Heads of Terms signed	MHCLG/Board Chair/CBC CEO	24 March 2021
Review capital/revenue split, financial profiles & plan for addressing HoT conditions	Programme Team	March-April 2021
Engagement webinars (Members, Stakeholders, Assembly)	Programme Team	April 2021
Confirm projects being taken forward	Board	30 April 2021
Engagement webinars	Programme Team	May 2021
Confirm projects with MHCLG (including any fast track)	Programme Team	24 May 2021
Detailed business case development	Programme Team	May 2021-March 2022
Letters of approval	Accountable body (CBC), Board	March 2022
Summary to MHCLG	Programme Team	March 2022

Decision Milestones

◆ Accountable Body
 ◆ Board
 ◆ Internal



Note: Fast track risks (e.g. planning, engagement, quality)



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4. CLOSING REMARKS & FUTURE MEETINGS



Simon Blaxill

Decisions required:

- **Agreement to signing Heads of Terms.**

To note:

- **Board members to feedback on options for leveraging external funding by 30 April 2021.**
- **Heads of Terms General conditions:**
 - **Process and governance (TIP improvements): Programme Team to provide further details of planned community and private sector stakeholder engagement.**
 - **Assurance: The business cases for projects will be taken through Colchester Borough Council, in line with local assurance processes.**
 - **Public Sector Equalities Duty: Programme-wide level impact assessment, relevant project-level impact assessment and relevant Environmental Impact Assessments.**
- **Project Confirmation deadline 24 May 2021 and Business Case Development timetable (to March 2022).**
- **Provisional 2021 Board meeting dates:**
 - **29 April**
 - **17 June**
 - **19 August**
 - **21 October**
 - **16 December**