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12 October 2020 – 12noon-1.30pm
Microsoft Teams



AGENDA

- 1. Chairman's Welcome, Apologies & Declarations of Interest – Simon Blaxill**
- 2. Project progress & engagement update - Simon Thorp, Clare Ratcliffe, Cllr David King**
- 3. The recommended investment propositions – criteria & summary – Ian Vipond**
- 4. Town Investment Plan – discussion and formal agreement - Simon Blaxill**
- 5. Next steps including cohort 1 feedback review – Adrian Pritchard**
- 6. Next meeting**

Note: for items 3 and 4, papers have been circulated for consideration in advance of the meeting.



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1. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Simon Blaxill

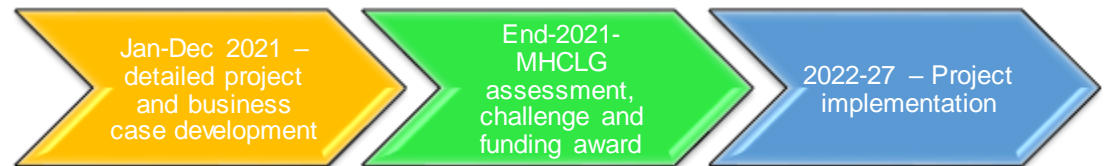
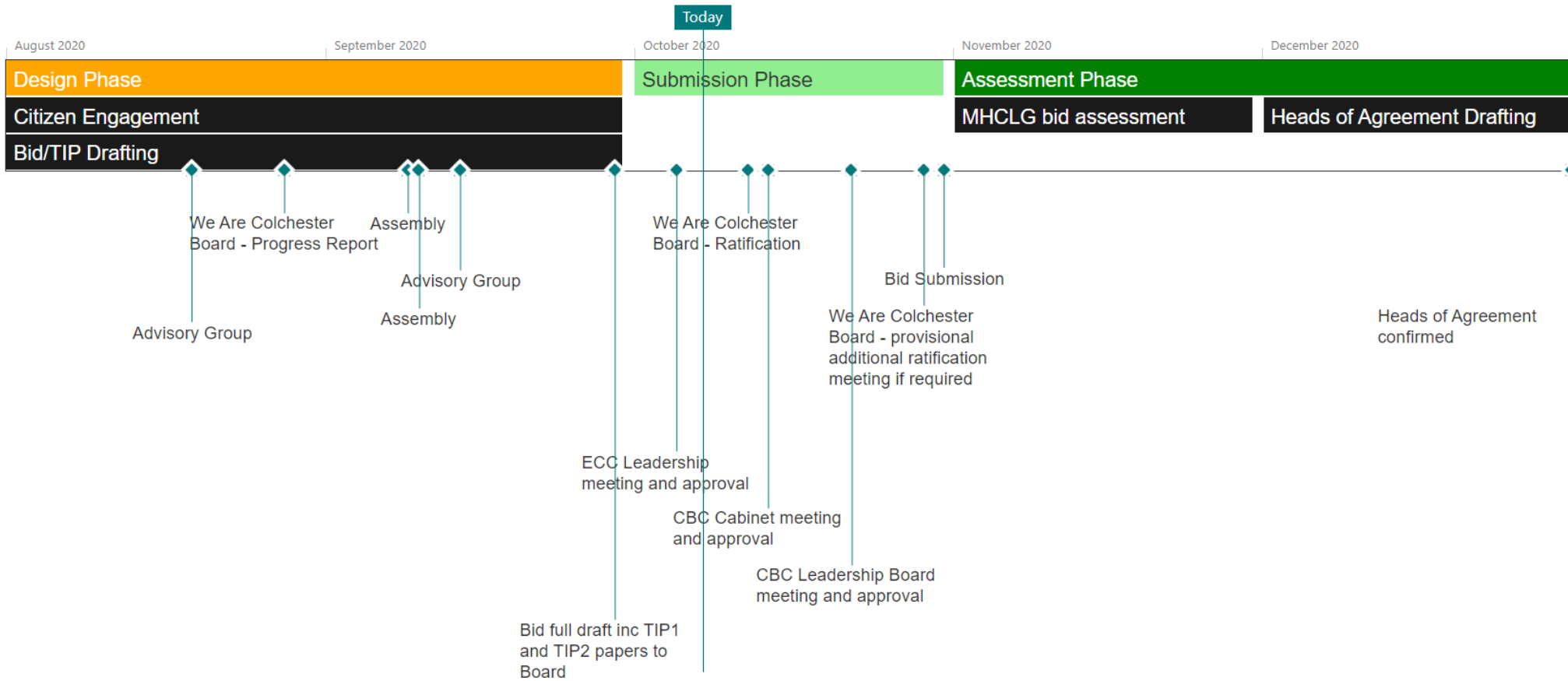


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2. PROJECT PROGRESS & ENGAGEMENT UPDATE



**Simon Thorp, Clare Ratcliffe and
Cllr David King**



PROGRESS TO DATE

- **Scoping & Exploration Phase including governance structure completed (pre-August 2020)**
- **Design Phase nearing completion (August-October 2020) - Town Investment Plan development aligned to a range of public engagement activity**
- **Covid-19 response incorporated into bid drafting (eg. CBC recovery programme (Council, Community, Customer, Economy) informing TIP project ideas**
- **External support and critical friend function ongoing – Nichols/Arup**
- **Accelerated funding bid approved - £1M (public realm projects)**





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3. THE RECOMMENDED INVESTMENT PROPOSITIONS - CRITERIA & SUMMARY

Ian Vipond



Colchester was one of 101 towns invited to bid for £25m of Grant Funding, with criteria & scope set by government including: Geographic Area (Colchester urban area), demonstrating a 20 year+ vision for the Town (including quick wins), and investments must address known and well-evidenced challenges. Must spend by 2026.

TOWN DEAL: STRATEGIC INVESTMENT PROGRAMMES

How We Grow

How We Live

How We Connect

Our Town, Your Future Potential

- Digital Working Hubs with Grow-on Facility
- Transformed Colchester Youth Facilities
- ACL Wilson Marriage Centre Digital Skills Hub

Building a Better Town

TOWN CENTRE & GATEWAYS

- Vineyard Cultural Gateway
- St Nicholas Square & Balcerne Gate Phase 1 (FUNDED)
- Essex County Hospital: Public Realm
- Holy Trinity Church and Trinity Square
- Kerbless Streets & Greening

HEART OF GREENSTEAD

- Tamarisk Way Regeneration (housing regeneration, liveable neighbourhood and Big Bikes)

Connecting Ahead

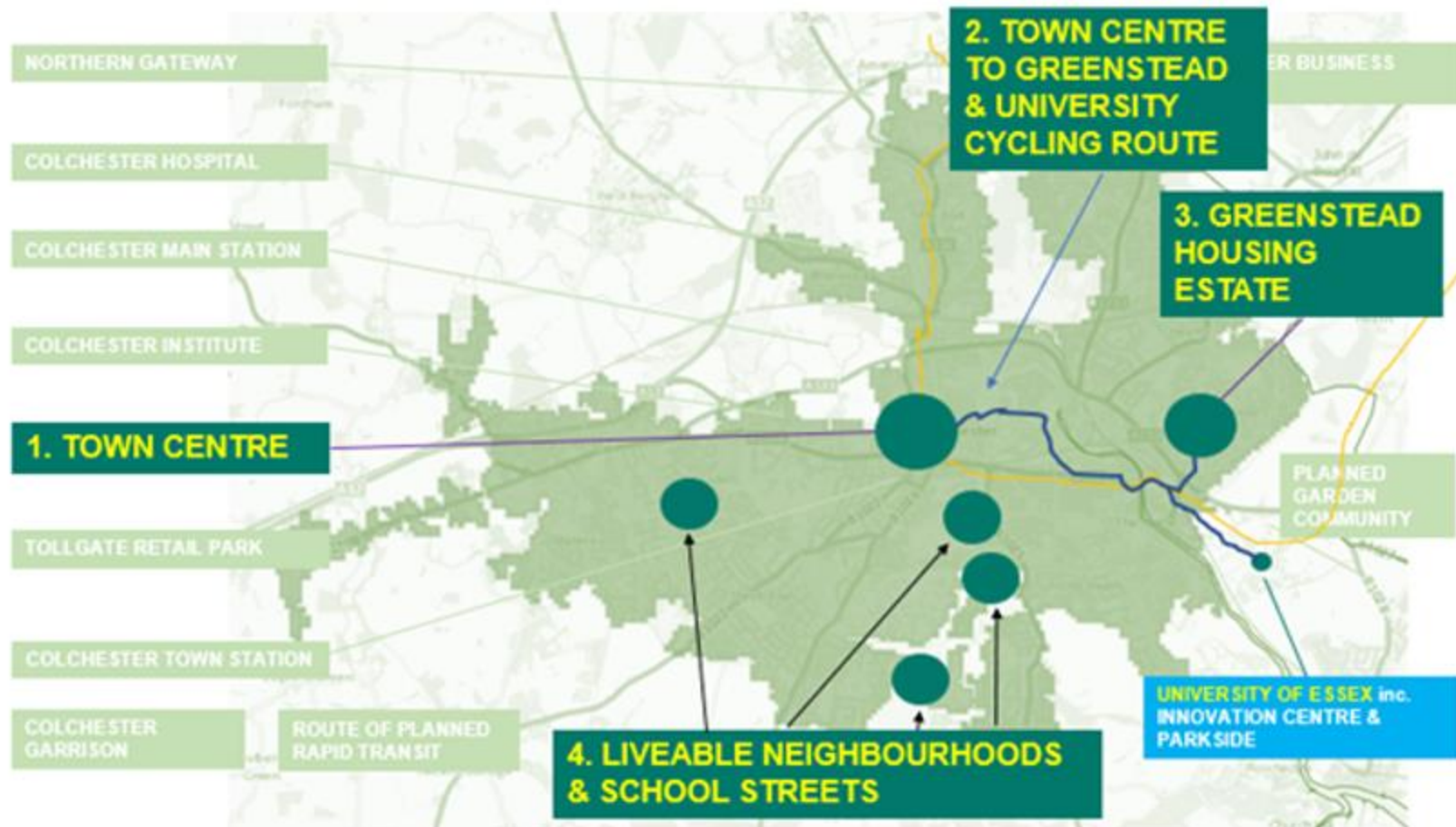
- 5G Provision
- Liveable Neighbourhoods (Prettygate, Monkwick, Barn Hall, Newtown)
- School Streets (x4)
- St Botolph's Roundabout
- Walking & Cycling Corridor: Town Centre to Greenstead and University (with town centre cycle parking)



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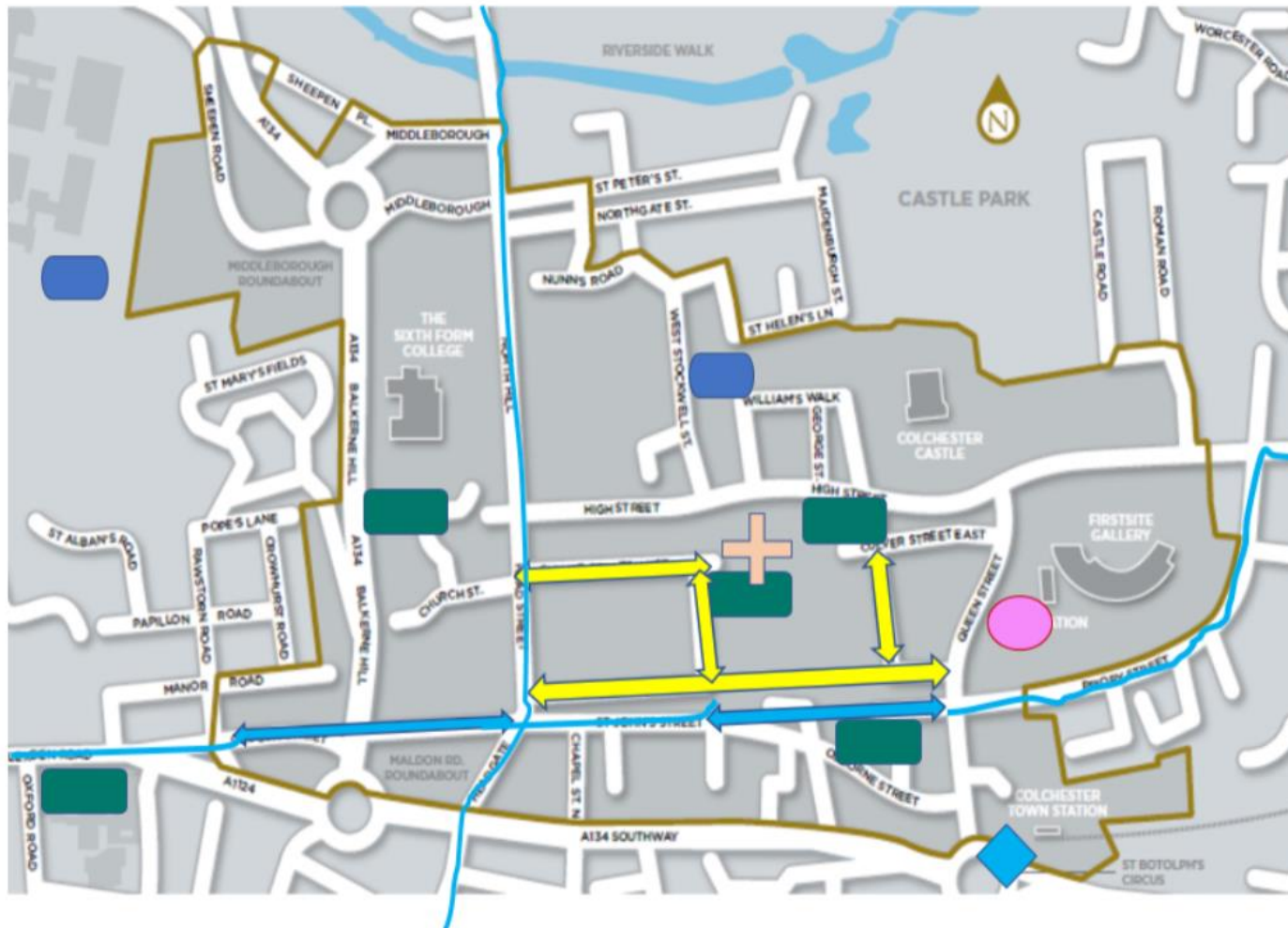


TOWN DEAL INVESTMENT LOCATIONS





TOWN CENTRE DETAIL



1. YOUTH & SKILLS

2. NEW / IMPROVED PUBLIC SPACES

3. KERBLESS & GREEN STREETS

4. DIGITAL WORKING HUB (within new Grow-on facility)

5. IMPROVED CYCLING CORRIDOR or GATEWAY

6. HISTORIC BUILDING RESTORED 



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4. TOWN INVESTMENT PLAN



DISCUSSION & FORMAL AGREEMENT



Simon Blaxill



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5. NEXT STEPS INCLUDING COHORT 1 FEEDBACK REVIEW

Adrian Pritchard

NEXT STEPS

- **Project on track for bid submission to Ministry for Communities, Housing and Local Government (MHCLG) by 31 October 2020.**
- **Bid Assessment/Heads of Agreement drafted by December 2020.**
- **Detailed Project & Business Case Development – throughout 2021.**
- **Assessment, Challenge & Funding Award – end-2021.**
- **Implementation Phase – 2022-27.**



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6. NEXT MEETING



Simon Blaxill