

Minute of AGM of the Northern Powerhouse APPG Tuesday 29th January 3pm – 4pm in W2 Westminster Hall

Non-Verbatim Minutes

Attendance: John Stevenson MP, Julie Elliott MP, Caroline flint MP, Kevin Hollinrake MP, Liz McInnes MP, Lord Goddard.

Election of officers: All officers were duly re-elected.

Declarable expenses: Northern Powerhouse Partnership paid Devoconnect £12,000 for secretariat

duties

Secretariat: Northern Powerhouse Partnership are now the secretariat

The year ahead

The APPG will continue to campaign for Northern Powerhouse rail and look to secure funding in the CSR.

There will be a re-focus on skills in the North. Steve Rotheram, Associate Vice-Chair is leading some work on this and he will be asked to work with Liz McInnes to understand the asks on the APPG. Inward investment is important so a piece of work will begin to explore case studies of inward investment and what can be learnt.

Meetings and communications

The officers would like a meeting with the Northern Powerhouse Minister, Jake Berry MP The APPG will meet in the summer and once again before the budget in September.

A monthly email will be sent out with updates from across the Northern Powerhouse: and asks re questions, adjournment debates etc.

Strategic Transport Plan

There was a discussion re Transport for the North and the strategic transport plan due to be published. It was agreed it should be broadly welcomed by the APPG and Northern Parliamentarians should be sent details of each proposed scheme.

Meeting closed

Date of Next Meeting: tbc

Prepared by the Secretariat of the NPAPPG.