

POLICY UPDATE

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Regional / National

- Attended WY Combined Authority Round Table with other business representative organisations
- Joined call with BCC Employment & Skills Policy Group
- Attended WY Economic Plan workshop in Bradford (hosted by BAME member Asma Iqbal)
- Mark met with Business Desk editor Andrew Staples about poss collaborations in 2024.
- Mark attended Lloyds Business breakfast at Outlton Hall where its chief economist spoke
- Mark attended National Infrastructure Commission launch at Addleshaw Goddards.

York & North Yorkshire

- Charlie joined Y&NY Business Support Group call
- Mark met with senior officers of York Council
- Leadership Group discussed inward investment and anti-racism
- Charlie and Mark attended York Business Summit
- Charlie and Mark met with the Chief Executive of York Civic Trust to discuss the partnership between the two groups and possible ways of working going forward.
- Mark dialled into A64 Growth Partnership meeting
- Mark spoke to York College about their membership
- Mark, James and Sarah met with Keane Duncan, Tory mayoral candidate

Leeds

- Sustainability Group discussed potential for a new flood resilience initiative with Council and Environment Agency.
- Team members attended Morley Jobs Fair
- Attended Leeds Rail Programme Board
- Mark attended Team Leeds meeting, largely discussing budgets.
- Mark met with Charlotte Farrington of Yorkshire Children's Charity to discuss potential collaborations.
- Mark spoke to Greatest Hits Radio about HS2 decision
- Mark attended Leeds Manufacturing Alliance steering group meeting
- Mark attended Luminate Employer Board
- Mark spoke at Leeds Climate Commission meeting

Bradford

- Mike & Will attended Southern Gateway Board – Transport Minister Huw Merriman attended as part of government team visiting city to assess Northern Powerhouse Rail case.
- Successful event held at Madisson to 'Celebrate Bradford' led by BPEF Steering Group
- Will attended site visit of new Darley Street Market
- Will attended Place Marketing & Investment Partnership
- Mark spoke to BCB about rail strikes

Stakeholder Meetings

Date	Brief details
1 Oct	Sustainability Group
3 Oct	A64 Growth Hub
4 Oct	Bfd Southern Gateway Board Team Leeds call Met with Charlotte Farrington, Yorkshire Children's Charity Spoke to Greatest Hits Radio about HS2
6 Oct	York Council senior officers Spoke to York College re: membership
9 Oct	Madisson event Arrangements Group
10 Oct	BCC Employment & Skills Group WY Economic Plan (in Bradford) Y&NY Leadership group
11 Oct	Spoke to BCB about rail strikes and hospitality
12 Oct	Leeds Manufacturing Alliance Steering Group Met with Andrew Staples – TBD
16 Oct	Bfd Place Marketing & Investment Partnership Leeds climate briefing
17 Oct	Lloyd's Bank Economic Briefing (Oulton Hall) Catch-up with Bfd ESB Chair, Will Richardson
18 Oct	'Celebrate Bradford' at Madisson (led by BPEFSG members) National Infrastructure Commission launch at Addleshaw Goddards
19 Oct	Met with Grand Central about membership
20 Oct	Met with Kean Duncan, Tory NY mayoral candidate