

Appendix 1 – Humber-Teesside LIPF Programme

1. Humber-Teesside Programme Details

1.1 In the original proposal submitted in February, the Humber Innovation Accelerator for Clean Energy (HIACE) programme focused on:

- Cluster Development
- Offshore Wind sector
- Carbon capture, utilisation and storage sector
- Hydrogen sector
- Sustainable aviation fuel sector

1.2 In February, a Teesside triple-helix partnership, led by Teesside University, submitted an aligned but separate LIPF proposal. The Teesside proposal focussed on:

- Ecosystem development
- Waste-to-X sector
- Carbon capture, utilisation and storage sector

1.3 Given the close sectoral and geographic alignment of the two proposals, UKRI responded with the approach that the two areas develop a partnership proposal with up to £30m of funding allocated.

1.4 This partnership approach will require one portfolio of projects managed and approved by a single Humber-Teesside Board, but delivered across the two innovation ecosystems.

1.5 There is no defined split of funding targeted at one area or another and while there can be projects and activities in the portfolio that mainly benefit the Humber or Teesside, the portfolio as a whole must be designed with benefits to both areas in mind.

1.6 There is ongoing activity led by CATCH and the University of Hull, with the support of the Humber Energy Board, to engage key industrial players in the Humber with the aim of identifying additional and further developing existing projects and activities. Similar activities are underway in Teesside, led by Teesside University.

- 1.7 This engagement also aims to identify opportunities to develop projects that span or can provide benefits to both regions.
- 1.8 Initial Humber-Teesside discussions have confirmed that the Humber's focus areas will be the priority areas for the partnership programme.
- 1.9 Further work is ongoing to formally establish the Humber-Teesside partnership board and to establish a formal project development process.

2. Strategic priorities

- 2.1 The development and selection of projects within the Humber-Teesside partnership will be driven by the strategic priorities of each region individually and for the combined regional area.
- 2.2 The strategic priorities of the Humber in relation to clean energy, industrial decarbonisation and the innovation ecosystem are being derived from the two Combined Authority Local Growth Plans, the Humber Economic Strategy, the Humber 2030 Vision, and other key strategic documents from local partners.
- 2.3 In particular, Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority will seek to prioritise activities that align with the Mayor's agreed shared priority with Government to drive local benefit from nationally significant energy infrastructure, as outlined in the Hull and East Yorkshire Local Growth Plan.
- 2.4 The HIACE Board, chaired by Humber Freeport, works to ensure that these strategic priorities are embedded in operational activities and programme decision making. Further developments to the strategic priorities will impact project development and prioritisation activities in July ahead of full development in August for formal submission to UKRI in September.