**West Partnership Draft Improvement Plan 2024/25 approved etc.**

**3** There was submitted a report by Sharon Hayward, Senior Partnership Officer, West Partnership (WP) regarding the WP Draft Improvement Plan 2024/25 and seeking this committee's endorsement of the draft improvement plan, as detailed in an appendix to the report, advising

(1) that the WP produced an annual plan linked to a 3 year planning cycle which outlined the vision, purpose and key activities of the collaborative for the year ahead;

(2) that over the past session, a comprehensive range of engagements with stakeholders had taken place, complementing the ongoing evaluation activity, giving a clearer set of qualitative and quantitative data to ensure the new improvement plan met the needs of practitioners and officers across the WP and that there was a clear consensus that existing programmes and activity were broadly meeting the needs of those officers and practitioners;

(3) that taking account of all consultation to date, it was proposed that most programmes continued, following review and amendments;

(4) that unlike previous years, no peer review process had been undertaken this session facilitated by Education Scotland but that the 6 Senior Partnership Officers (or equivalent) had met in June 2024 to undergo a peer review discussion, as detailed in the report;

(5) that having agreed the plans to implement the agreed collaborative framework in April 2024, the West Partnership Board and this committee would receive verbal updates at each meeting to report on progress of readying the system to transfer ownership of ongoing collaborative activity and programmes in 2025; and

(6) of the next steps, which included,

(a) members reporting back to their own authorities through appropriate individual local governance arrangements for approval in order to ensure local democratic accountability; and

(b) confirming that, in seeking to ensure that the WP could continue to contribute to the wider work of the Glasgow City Regional Economic Strategy, a report would be prepared, including the endorsed improvement plan, and presented to the Glasgow City Region Cabinet by the Regional Lead Officer.

After consideration, the committee

(i) agreed

(A) to endorse the WP Draft Improvement Plan 2024/25; and

(B) that the approved improvement plan be presented to the Glasgow City Region Cabinet for noting; and

(ii) noted that each individual authority would report on the improvement plan to their appropriate committee for approval, maintaining local democratic oversight.