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Glasgow City Region - City Deal Cabinet

Report by Director of Regional Economic Growth

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Proposed City Deal Interim Infrastructure Grant Allocations 2025/26

Purpose of Report:

This report advises the Cabinet of the proposed City Deal interim grant allocation to each member authority for 2025/26.

Recommendations:

The Cabinet is invited to:

- (i) note this report; and
- (ii) approve the grant allocations detailed in section 3.2.

1. Purpose

1.1 This report advises the Cabinet of the proposed interim allocation of Infrastructure Grant to each member authority for 2025/26.

2. Background and Interim / Final Allocation Assessment

- 2.1 After recent years relatively small City Deal Infrastructure Grants the Gateway review released an increased grant of £60m for 2025/26. This £60m grant is of sufficient size to facilitate both an interim and final grant allocation.
- 2.2 Initial discussions around allocating the full sum based on Q1 financials would be to the detriment of both the Clyde Metro Regional project, which receives full grant allocation for any spend incurred, and potentially other projects that have large spend at the end of the financial year.
- 2.3 The regional project is forecasting £5m spend over the remainder of the year which will require appropriate grant coverage. Allowing for this and potential spending patterns that might disadvantage other members I am proposing to make an interim allocation based on Q1 financial data amounting to £45m to be distributed in September.

The remaining £15m will be allocated based on Quarter 4 financials and distributed to members in May/June'26.

3. Methodology and Allocation

- 3.1 The approach in relation to the allocation of grant in 2025/26 is based on each member authority's cumulative actual spend levels and business case approvals reported in the Quarter 1 Project Status Reports. This approach is consistent with that for prior year main grant allocations considered by the Cabinet.
- 3.2 Grant funds allocated to member authorities cannot be in excess of eligible expenditure incurred and the proposed interim infrastructure grant allocations for 2025/26, together with expenditure incurred, grants received to date and grant ceiling, are shown in the table below.

	Cumulative			
	Total	Grants		
	Expenditure	received to	Grant Ceiling	Interim Grant
Member Authority	to Q1	date	as at Q1	Allocation
	£m	£m	£m	£m
East Dunbartonshire	6.890	5.293	1.597	0.509
East Renfrewshire	24.104	17.744	6.360	2.553
Glasgow	228.672	167.279	52.537	16.806
Inverclyde	21.649	12.070	8.248	2.212
North Lanarkshire	57.270	44.746	11.672	3.480
Renfrewshire	138.172	75.073	44.194	13.724
South Lanarkshire	81.190	64.785	10.131	3.585
West Dunbartonshire	13.316	9.082	4.234	2.131
Regional Project	3.929	3.928	0.001	0.000
TOTAL	575.192	400.000	138.974	45.000

^{**} The grant ceiling is a control figure to avoid overpayment and is based on actual expenditure, business case approvals, project budget and grants received to date.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 The Finance Strategy Group is invited to:
- 4.1.1 note this report; and
- 4.1.2 approve the grant allocations detailed in section 3.2.