

## **Glasgow City Region Community Benefits Hub – Proposals agreed etc.**

**15** With reference to the Chief Executives' Group minutes of 24th October 2024 approving the policy for Phase 2 anchor network members of the Glasgow City Region (CGR) Community Benefits Hub, there was submitted a report by the Director for Regional Economic Growth regarding progress on the matter,

- (1) advising that
  - (a) of the 127 approved requests by community groups who had registered an interest on the website, 18 had been delivered as part of Community Benefits in contracts and a further 14 were being progressed;
  - (b) the development work for Phase 2 had been completed and was ready to go live which would enable anchors and other stakeholders to join, and work with an extended number of suppliers; and
  - (c) the Phase 2 pilot and the processes behind it would continue to be assessed and reviewed over the next few months, and where necessary changes would be introduced; and
- (2) detailing in the appendices to the report, a summary table of the progress by Council area and the GCR policy for anchor organisations joining the Glasgow City Region Community Benefits Hub scheme.

After consideration, the Cabinet noted

- (i) progress with the Glasgow City Region Community Benefits Hub scheme and the impending launch of Phase 2; and
- (ii) that the University of Strathclyde would join the Community Benefits Hub scheme as the first Phase 2 organisation, which was anticipated to go-live in spring 2025.