Programme update noted etc.

- 6 There was submitted a report by the Director of Regional Economic Growth providing an update on various key programme development tasks and issues, advising of
- (1) the progress in relation to the Infrastructure, Innovation and Skills and Employment programmes, all as detailed in the report; and
- (2) other activity carried out by the Programme Management Office (PMO), which included details on business cases anticipated to be submitted to the PMO, the Assurance Framework Review, the Programme Business Case, the Annual Conversation, Scottish Parliament Inquiry on City Deals, the Commission on Economic Growth, Gateway Review 1, Audit Scotland's audit of City Region and Growth Deals and communications and marketing, all as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Cabinet

- (a) noted
 - (i) the report and that the draft updated Assurance Framework and Programme Business Case had been issued for consultation to Member Authorities, UK and Scottish Governments, the Equalities Commission and third parties, with an anticipated final draft being presented to Cabinet in April 2019;
 - (ii) the update on Audit Scotland's audit of City Region and Growth Deals, as detailed in the report:
 - (iii) that a further invitation had been issued on behalf of the Local Government and Communities Committee to attend an evidence session for the Scottish Parliamentary Inquiry on City Deals;
 - (iv) that, in relation to the Glasgow Airport Access project, further work would now be undertaken to examine the Personal Rapid Transport option within a revised Outline Business Case, as detailed in the report;
 - (v) that the objection by West Dunbartonshire Council to the Clyde Waterfront and Renfrew Riverside project had been withdrawn on 23rd January 2019; and
 - (vi) that East Dunbartonshire Council intended to submit a Strategic Business Case for a project, to be considered should further funding become available;
- (b) agreed that the PMO and Glasgow City Council, as Project Lead, enter into discussions with the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) in order to utilise any potential underspend from the Working Matters Programme and that, given the timescales involved, approval of the proposed use of the

underspend be delegated to the Chief Executives' Group, with an update on the conclusion of the DWP discussions regarding any underspend being submitted to a future Cabinet meeting; and

(c) approved

- (i) a number of change controls for the Infrastructure projects, as detailed in the report; and
- (ii) a funding allocation of up to £36,000 from within the existing PMO budget to implement a proposed 2-year pilot IT system, to manage and maximise the delivery of community benefits secured through City Deal contracts, subject to the conclusion of discussions to finalise the legal, procurement and IT requirements for the system, all as detailed within the report.