### Item 4

12th February 2019



**Glasgow City Region - City Deal** 

Cabinet

**Report by Director of Regional Economic Growth** 

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# Gateway Review 1 – One Year Out Report

# **Purpose of Report:**

To seek Cabinet approval of the National Evaluation Panel's One Year Out Report for Gateway Review 1.

#### **Recommendations:**

Cabinet is invited to: approve

- i. the One Year Out Report (attached as an Appendix), and
- ii. the payment of up to £66,810 to SQW, which is in line with the payment breakdown set out in this report.

### 1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To seek Cabinet approval of the National Evaluation Panel's One Year Out Report for Gateway Review 1. SQW will attend Cabinet meeting on 12 February 2019 to present on the One Year Out Report.

## 2. Background

- 2.1 The GCR City Deal is subject to a gateway review mechanism that will release the 5-yearly tranches of funding.
- 2.2 A Gateway Review Report will be prepared and drafted by the National Evaluation Panel, to which the consultants SQW have been appointed as the lead organisation, and submitted to the UK Government in December 2019.
- 2.3 Cabinet approved the Glasgow City Region Local Evaluation Plan at the meeting on 11 April 2018. The One Year Out Report (Appendix) is the second the three reports that will be prepared by the National Evaluation Panel for Gateway Review 1, as set out in the Local Evaluation Plan:
  - Baseline Report September/October 2018
  - One Year Out Report February 2019
  - Gateway Review Report December 2019

#### 3. Feedback

3.1 SQW presented the initial draft of the Baseline Report to the Chief Executives' Group on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019. Comments from Member Authorities (MAs) have been incorporated within the draft of the Report. The report was also presented to the Commission on Economic Growth when it met on the 21 January 2019.

#### 4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 The Local Evaluation Plan was approved by Cabinet in April 2018 alongside agreement that a contract would be entered into with SQW with payments up to a total of £267,658 to meet the costs of implementing the evaluation tasks for GR1. The following breakdown of payments will be made to SQW following completion of the relevant milestones:
  - Baseline Report £46,358 (paid following Cabinet approval of the report in October 2018);
  - One Year Out Report £66,810;
  - Draft Final Gateway Review Report £48.838
  - Final Gateway Review Report £105,651
- 4.2 Payments for the One Year Out Report and the Final Gateway Review Report will be made upon the approval of each report by Glasgow City Region Cabinet. A payment shall be made to SQW for a Draft Final Gateway Review Report upon approval by the Chief Executives' Group.

# 5. Recommendations

- 5.1 Cabinet is invited to approve:
  - i. the One Year Out Report (attached as an Appendix), and
  - ii. the payment of up to £66,810 to SQW, which is in line with the payment breakdown set out in this report.