

Glasgow City Region – Review of Governance Structures – Phase 1 findings – Position noted etc.

9 There was submitted a report by the Director of Regional Economic Growth regarding the findings and suggested improvement actions from the first phase of a review of the Glasgow City Region (GCR) governance structures, advising

- (1) that in June 2020, the Chief Executives' Group had agreed to a comprehensive review of the City Region's governance structures, which was prompted by conditions set out in the recent Gateway Review approval and by other complementary work underway, with the primary purpose of the exercise being to assess the effectiveness of governance structures, overall and at an individual group level, to understand whether they were fit for purpose in terms of make-up, scope, membership, how they operated, what they delivered, how they worked together and importantly their compliance with our legal and contractual commitments;
- (2) of both the reporting and review approach which had been undertaken, as detailed in the report, including interviews with 8 Council Leaders, discussion at group meetings and an online survey for stakeholders;
- (3) that the review had provided findings in all of the areas referred to at (1) above but owing to the wide ranging nature of the review, findings would be reported in 2 phases, with this first phase setting out high level findings from the overall consultation exercise and specifically seeking to address various Gateway 1 approval conditions;
- (4) that the questions, key findings for each question and any associated phase one improvement actions were detailed in Appendix 1 of the report; and
- (5) that the phase 1 findings would also inform phase 2 of the review, with any phase 2 recommendations being reported to this Cabinet in early 2021, and would take account of a number of related developments, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Cabinet

- (a) noted the findings from the review exercise and that a phase 2 report would follow in early 2021; and
- (b) approved phase 1 improvement actions detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.