

Regional Economic Strategy – Update noted.

7 There was submitted a report by the Director of Regional Economic Growth providing a brief update on the scope of work which had been devised for the development of the next Regional Economic Strategy and Action Plan (RES), advising

- (1) that, following publication of the Regional Economic Baseline in February 2021, the City Region team had been working on developing a comprehensive scope of work for the development of the new RES, with the aim of providing a rigorous evidence base that would inform a RES that met the 3 grand challenges identified within the Baseline;
- (2) that the work was being finalised prior to being presented to the Regional Partnership in June 2021;
- (3) that the draft RES work plan had focused on 6 key elements, as detailed in the report, and over the coming weeks the team would be engaging with partners to agree their input, which would inform the management processes that were currently being put in place, with the expectation that Public Health Scotland would play a key role in a proposed community engagement exercise;
- (4) that discussions were ongoing with the Commission for Economic Growth to assign a commissioner to oversee each of the grand challenges, and it was anticipated that the RES would be published towards the end of 2021; and
- (5) of the work that the Glasgow City Region team had carried out to date, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Cabinet noted the approach to the development of the RES.