

Glasgow City Region Sustainable Procurement Strategy approved.

8 With reference to the minutes of 11th August 2020 agreeing that the Programme Management Office (PMO) commence the process to develop a Glasgow City Region Sustainable Procurement Strategy, there was submitted a report by the Chair of the Sustainable Procurement Strategy Group inviting Cabinet to consider the proposed strategy, which was detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, advising

- (1) that the strategy had built upon the progress made during the delivery of the 2015 Glasgow City Region Procurement strategy and the 2015 Glasgow City Region City Deal Community Benefits strategy, both of which had expired in 2020, as detailed in the report;
- (2) that since August 2020, the Sustainable Procurement Strategy Group (SPSG) and the Procurement Support Group (PSG), had led in the development of the new strategy, supported by the PMO;
- (3) that the strategy had unified the 2 previous strategy documents and one proposed key element would be to extend the existing partnership beyond the 8 Member Authorities to include key regional partner and anchor organisations to create a wider regional approach to procurement and community benefits in the medium to long term;
- (4) that at this stage, the scope of the strategy had focussed on construction and infrastructure investment, however, moving forward, further consideration would be given to include other categories of procurement activity, with the strategy also aligning with the forthcoming Capital Investment Plan for Glasgow City Region, as detailed in the report;
- (5) that in the development of the strategy, the SPSG and PSG had ensured that its objectives and actions were informed by a range of key policy documents and initiatives, all as detailed in the report; and
- (6) of the 5 key objectives and the series of proposed actions under each of those, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Cabinet approved the proposed Glasgow City Region Sustainable Procurement strategy, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.