

Cenefits pilot evaluation – Findings from stakeholder interviews noted.

12 With reference to the minutes of 12th February 2019 approving a funding allocation of up to £36,000 from within the existing PMO budget to implement a proposed 2-year pilot IT system, Cenefits, 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, there was submitted and noted a report by the Intelligence Hub Manager regarding the evaluation of the pilot project, advising

- (1) that the PMO had requested the assistance of the Intelligence Hub with the evaluation of the Cenefits pilot project, with the review to be completed by 30th June 2020;
- (2) that as part of the review it was agreed that one-to-one interviews would be completed by the independent staff with the City Region Intelligence Hub, with interviews being carried out with 12 key stakeholders, as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report;
- (3) of the findings of the analysis of stakeholders' views, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, structured under the following 3 key areas:-
 - (a) delivery of community benefits prior to Cenefits;
 - (b) Cenefits pilot project expectations and delivery to date; and
 - (c) areas for development for:
 - (i) community benefit policy;
 - (ii) resource use; and
 - (iii) the Cenefits software system.