



Cabinet

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Ready to Go Projects List

Purpose of Report:

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Recommendations

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- (2) agree that the Chair of the Cabinet will use the list to make representations to the UK Government and Scottish Government in order to identify available funding to deliver these projects.

1. Purpose

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2. Background

- 2.1 The Glasgow City Region Economic Recovery Plan was approved by Cabinet in December 2020. One of the tasks included in the Plan was to seek to secure additional infrastructure investment from the UK Government and Scottish Government to support projects that will drive short term economic growth, through 'ready to go' projects that can be implemented quickly.
- 2.2 The Glasgow City Region Programme Management Office (PMO) has engaged with the Member Authorities (MAs) and partner organisations to identify potential projects that would fall into the 'Ready to Go' category.

3. Ready to Go Projects

- 3.1 From the information provided by MAs and partners, to the PMO, 91 potential projects were identified that could be progressed quickly and which would stimulate the regional economy. These are a mixture of infrastructure, commercial, and residential projects which can be progressed in the short to medium term, with the funding to complete value ranging from £200,000 to £53 million, and a total funding value of £542 million. The list of projects is attached in the Appendix to this report.
- 3.2 Following the recent call from Scottish Government for Regional Recovery Funding, the City Region PMO is now working on the development of a separate Ready to Go project list for revenue funding opportunities and this will be presented to a future Regional Partnership meeting.

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