

Home Energy Retrofit Programme Final Report – Presentation noted - Proposed areas for future development and activity agreed etc.

4 With reference to the minutes of 6th April 2021 noting an update on the development of a feasibility study for the home energy retrofit programme, there was submitted a report by the Director of Regional Economic Growth providing an update on the key points within the Strategic Programme Business Case for a Glasgow City Region (GCR) approach to a home energy retrofit programme, developed by Grant Thornton, and setting out proposed areas for future development and activity, advising

- (1) of the background to the proposal and the scope of the programme feasibility study that had been led and informed by the Housing and Equalities Portfolio Group, as detailed in the report;
- (2) of the key findings of the report from Grant Thornton, which had considered the potential pathways to achieving Energy Performance Certificate C for the 428,000 properties currently under this standard, as well as taking further steps to achieve low or net zero carbon solutions for all 886,156 domestic properties in the GCR;
- (3) of a number of proposed areas to be developed in response to the Grant Thornton paper, as detailed in the report;
- (4) that the Grant Thornton report had set out a number of workstreams to progress the planning and delivery of regional retrofit work, as detailed in the report;
- (5) that it was proposed to continue to draw on the expertise of the Expert Advisory Group, albeit in smaller groups across each of the initial workstreams; and
- (6) of a proposal that the report recommendations be forwarded to the Housing and Equalities Portfolio Group for consultation and to inform discussion with the Scottish Government and other key partners, that the Portfolio Group develop the relevant workstreams required to progress the recommendations, and that the Programme Management Office report back to the Chief Executives' Group on a proposed governance structure to progress the work, following consultation with the Housing Portfolio Group and the Expert Advisory Group.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Mark Williams, Grant Thornton UK LLP, the Cabinet

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) agreed to endorse the areas of activity to be progressed, as detailed in the report, and to receive further updates as the retrofit programme progressed.

