

Integrated Grant Fund Review - Update noted.

4 There was submitted a report by the Council's Executive Director of Corporate Services providing an update on the review of the Integrated Grant Fund (IGF), advising

- (1) that the Council's Executive Committee had recently approved a review of the Council's IGF setting out a number of challenges and outline proposals as detailed in appendix A of the report;
- (2) of the key principles which had been adopted for the review;
- (3) that programme outcomes had been developed, as detailed in the appendix to the report, for the 6 new IGF programmes, namely:-
 - (a) Alcohol and Health & Wellbeing;
 - (b) Young People and Youth Employment;
 - (c) Vulnerable People and Families;
 - (d) Safer Communities;
 - (e) Fairer Communities; and
 - (f) Sustainable Communities;
- (4) of the challenges and proposals in relation to the Area Grants Budget, which would include a wide range of stakeholder engagement to inform the review; and
- (5) of the indicative timescale for the review, which it was anticipated would inform the allocation of Area Grants Budget from 2015/16.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report and the proposed timetable for the Area Grants Budget aspect of the Integrated Grant Fund Review;
- (b) agreed that the preferred method of consultation for this Area Partnership was to participate in workshop sessions outwith the Area Partnership cycle; and
- (c) expressed concerns that the bureaucracy involved in the current grant application and monitoring process.