



Report of the Chief Executive

# **East Midlands Devolution Agreement**

#### SUMMARY

1.1 Christine Durrant, Acting Strategic Director of Communities and Place has been invited to update the Board on the progress of the East Midlands devolution agreement with the Government.

## RECOMMENDATION

2.1 To consider and note the progress on the East Midlands Devolution Agreement.

# REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board considered this report on 10 November 2015. Councillor Bayliss considered that further scrutiny was needed under his remit as Chair of the Integrated Communities Board.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 The report to Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board updated members on the current position on the devolution deal negotiations with Government. The report sought agreement to delegate authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council to continue negotiating with Government and to enter into an "in principle" agreement. The Board noted that final ratification of the devolution deal will need the approval of full Council as well as changes in legislation currently included in the Cities and Local Government Devolution Bill.
- 4.2 Due to the lengthy timescales prior to the final decision and implementation of a potential Devolution Agreement, this report allows the Integrating Communities Overview and Scrutiny Board an opportunity to input into this process.

# **OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

# 5.1 None.

# This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer Financial officer Human Resources officer Estates/Property officer Service Director(s) Other(s)	David Walsh, Head of Democracy
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## Appendix 1

# IMPLICATIONS

#### **Financial and Value for Money**

1.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### Legal

2.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### Personnel

3.1 None directly arising from this report.

## IT

4.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### **Equalities Impact**

5.1 Effective scrutiny benefits all Derby people and the very nature of the Board ensures that it looks in depth at equality in all its investigations.

## Health and Safety

6.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### **Environmental Sustainability**

7.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### **Property and Asset Management**

8.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### **Risk Management**

9.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### Corporate objectives and priorities for change

10.1 Our aim is to work together so that Derby and its people will enjoy a thriving sustainable economy, good health and well-being and an active cultural life.