



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

**Scrutiny Management Commission**  
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# ITEM 9

Report of the Corporate Director –  
Regeneration & Community

## **GROWTH POINT- REFRESH OF PROGRAMME OF DEVELOPMENT FOR DERBY HOUSING MARKET AREA - UPDATE**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1.1 To note the report.

### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 2.1 The Government designated the Three Cities and Three Counties (6Cs) area as a Growth Point in 2006. The 6Cs encompasses the sub-regional Housing Market Areas (HMAs) of Leicester, Nottingham and Derby, the Derby HMA covering the City, South Derbyshire and Amber Valley.
- 2.2 Each Growth Point area was asked to prepare and submit a Programme of Development (PoD) to Government in October 2007. This was used to decide an allocation of growth funding for 2008/9. The Derby HMA received £2.59m capital and £350k revenue for growth funding allocation from the overall block allocation to the 6Cs.
- 2.3 Government requested that the 6Cs Growth Point Partnership submit a revised PoD to Government by 1 October 2008. The revised PoD will again be used to assess the allocation of growth funding for the next two years 2009/10 and 2010/11. Based on last year's allocations, the Derby HMA is expected to receive at least £2.5m capital for each year, of which the City is likely to receive about £1.5m per year.
- 2.4 Scrutiny Management Commission considered a report on the PoD refresh on 1 September 2008. This explained the process and set out a pool of projects which were seen as potential candidates for inclusion in the refreshed PoD and eventual growth funding. Members' views were invited on the Derby priorities which should be included in the refreshed PoD.

- 2.5 A Cabinet Member meeting on 23 September 2008 approved a list of Derby City projects for inclusion in the refreshed PoD, taking into account the views expressed by the Commission on 1 September. The revised 6Cs PoD was subsequently submitted on 1 October. Appendix 2 to this report shows the Derby projects for 2009/11 as included in the submitted PoD. There are two categories of project: priority schemes for funding in 2009/11 and reserve schemes. The priority list seeks funding of £2.275m in 2009/10 and £2.150m in 2010/11. This is an acceptable and conventional level of over programming to secure a full spend, but the final funding allocation will be known in December 2008. At this point, we may need to agree further prioritisation with the Cabinet Member.
- Appendix 3 is a map of the Derby Principal Urban Area – Strategic Sites and Infrastructure.

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<b>Background papers:</b>	6Cs Growth Point Programme of Development
<b>List of appendices:</b>	Appendix 1 – Implications Appendix 2 – 6Cs PoD – Derby City Programme of Capital Projects 2009 – 2011

## Appendix 1

### IMPLICATIONS

#### Financial

- 1.1 Additional resources from the Growth Point funds will complement the Council's revenue and capital programmes

#### Legal

- 2.1 The Programme of Development is not a statutory document. The minimum amount of housing growth to be delivered in Derby is being established through the Regional Spatial Strategy, which forms part of the statutory development plan.

#### Personnel

- 3.1 The establishment of three HMA growth point posts using some of the revenue element of the growth funding received has been approved and recruitment is underway.

#### Equalities Impact

- 4.1 The Programme of Development can include projects to support the delivery of affordable and special needs housing.

#### Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 5.1 The Programme of Development is wide ranging in scope and has the potential to support all corporate priorities.

