## **Executive Scrutiny Board**

## Recommendations from the meeting held on 20 November 2023

## Council Cabinet Agenda – 21 November 2023

## Item 8 Castleward Urban Village: Acquisitions and Budget Update

The Board received a report of the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Decarbonisation and Strategic Planning and Transport and the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) on Castleward Urban Village: Acquisitions and Budget Update.

## The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

## Item 9 Compulsory Acquisition of Empty Homes

The Board received a report of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Property and Regulatory Services and the Director of Communities on Compulsory Acquisition of Empty Homes.

#### The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

## Item 10 | 2023/24 – Q2 Financial Monitoring

The Board received a report of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy, Governance and Finance and the Director of Finance on 2023/24 – Q2 Financial Monitoring.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to recommend to Council Cabinet that in the interest of accountability and good governance, a paper documenting the decisions made in the review of the 2023/2024 Budget, as was set in February/March 2023, is brought before the Executive Scrutiny Board, ahead of the 2024/2025 Budget. This paper is to comprise of all the decisions and changes that were made as part of the review and what the financial implications of these were, including the allocation of any additional funding and re-allocation of any savings.

# Item 11 Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules

The Board received a report of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy, Governance and Finance and the Director of Finance on Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules.

Members noted that the report sought Council Cabinet approval for the following:

- A bid for and acceptance of £1.626m to the Department for Education funded Recruitment and Retention programme and associated delegations
- Acceptance of a revised repayment plan for an existing Derby Enterprise Growth Fund (DEGF) loan (confidential part of the agenda)

# The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report. Item 12 2023/24 - Q2 Performance Monitoring The Board received a report of the Cabinet Member for Strategy, Governance and Finance and the Director of Corporate Management on 2023/24 – Q2 Performance Monitoring. The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved: 1. to recommend to Council Cabinet that it offers an Update on local plan progress, confirms the commitment to a cross party working group and urges officers to convene a meeting of that group as a matter of urgency; 2. to recommend to Council Cabinet that it asks the Scrutiny Review Boards to receive and consider, including on their work plans, a presentation and discussion on the Quarterly Performance Monitoring covering their areas of interest. **Exclusion of Press and Public** Item 13 A resolution to exclude the press and public was put to the vote and carried. The Board resolved that under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Item 14 Castleward Urban Village: Acquisitions and Budget Update The Board received exempt detail in the report of the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Decarbonisation and Strategic Planning and Transport and the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) on Castleward Urban Village: Acquisitions and Budget Update. The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report. Item 15 **Compulsory Acquisition of Empty Homes** The Board received exempt detail in the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Property and Regulatory Services and the Director of Communities on Compulsory Acquisition of Empty Homes. The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

## Item 16 Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules

The Board received exempt detail in the report of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy, Governance and Finance and the Director of Finance on Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.