



## Environment & Community Scrutiny Committee 30 June 2022

### Decisions

#### 5. Single Equality Scheme Annual Report 2021/22

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Noted the progress in delivering equalities actions during 2021/22.
- ii. Approved the new actions proposed for delivery during 2022/23 (see point 3.5 in the Officer's report).

#### 6. Anti-Poverty Strategy Annual Report 2022/23

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Noted the progress in delivering actions to reduce poverty in Cambridge during 2021/22.
- ii. Agreed to extend the end date of the existing Anti-Poverty Strategy from March 2023 to March 2024.

## 7. Community Grants Review

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Approved the changes to the Community Grants programme proposed in Phase 1 of the Community Grants Review, namely:
  - a. The introduction of a 'light touch' small grants application process for awards of £2,000 and under as set out at point 4 of the Officer's report.
- ii. Noted the broader review work required in Phase 2 which will be developed alongside the 'Our Cambridge' transformation programme.

## 8. Biodiversity Strategy

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Noted the stated ambitions and approve the adoption of the Biodiversity Strategy (2022 – 2030) and accompanying Action Plan.
- ii. Allocated responsibility for delivery and monitoring of the Action Plan to the Executive Councillor for Climate Change and Biodiversity.

## 9. S106 Community Facilities Funding to the Junction

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor allocated £113,185 of S106 community facilities funding (as detailed in financial implications in paragraphs 4.1 to 4.3, subject to business case approval and a community use

agreement, as a grant to The Junction towards its improvement project to provide enhanced and furnished meeting areas and associated storage space at its J2 building.

10. Review Update for Future Community Development Services and Community Centres Management

The Committee endorsed the recommendations.

The Executive Councillor:

- i. Noted the findings emerging from Community Services review work.
- ii. Approved the future direction of travel and approach for community development services including priority work with children, young people, and families, and for community centres management.
- iii. Agreed to proceed with the consultation with staff on proposals for a staffing restructure for community development, ChYPPS and community facilities, in accordance with the council's organisational change policy and, in so doing, seek to maximise opportunities for affected staff and minimise redundancies.

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