

# Cambridge City Council

## Record of Executive Decision

### Funding for Cambridge City Council Governance Review

Decision of: Councillor Simon Smith, Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources

Reference: 24/URGENCY/S&R/7

Date of decision: 09/05/2024

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Decision Type: Non-Key

Is Subject to Call in? [No]

Purpose

To provide resources to enable changes to Council governance arrangements.

Matter for Decision:

To draw down up to £150,000 from reserves to design and implement improved governance and decision-making for the Council. The matter could not be considered within the timeframe of the Budget Setting Report. These resources will enable provision of programme management, technical support, training and implementation planning for any new arrangements to begin from the Annual General Meeting in 2025.

The Executive Councillor's decision:

1. To approve the drawdown of up to £150,000 from reserves for the Democratic Services Manager to develop a programme to support the re-design and implementation of any revised governance arrangements. Spending will follow normal arrangements, including briefing relevant members where appropriate.

**Reasons for decision:** As set out in recommendation.

**Any alternative options considered and rejected:** N/A

**Scrutiny Consideration:** The Chair and Spokesperson(s) of the Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee were consulted prior to decision. Cllr Robertson (Chair) agreed with the decision; Cllr Bennett (Green) supported the decision. Cllr Bick (Liberal Democrat) disagreed with the decision.

Conflict of interest: [None].