

# **Overview & Scrutiny Committee**

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#### Recommendation(s) for action or decision:

#### The Overview & Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:

(1) Note and comment on the grant register.

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 This paper provides an update on the grant register. This contains all current 'live' grants where the WMCA is the accountable body and captures a comprehensive total of grants, awarding body, time period for delivery and a description of what the grant delivers.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 The grant registers are attached as an appendix to this report.
- 2.2 Since the last report the following new grants have been awarded to WMCA:
  - £14.1m from DESNZ for energy efficiency intervention in small and mid-sized businesses, split as £9.1m revenue and £5.0m capital grants
  - £2.5m from Sports England to support sport development across the region
  - £27k from DEFRA for Biodiversity Net Gains.

#### 3. Strategic Aims and Objectives

3.1 Grant funding is instrumental in the WMCA being able to deliver on its Aims and Objectives.

# 4. Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from accepting the recommendations in this report. The update on the grant register is provided for transparency purposes.

#### 5. Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications as a direct consequence of this report.

### 6. Single Assurance Framework Implications

6.1 The relevant SAF process will be followed as necessary.

# 7. Equalities Implications

7.1 There are no specific equality implications from this update report. However, individual grant funded schemes and initiatives will be subject to equality impact assessments to ensure key equality and inclusion considerations have been embedded.

# 8. Inclusive Growth Implications

8.1 Not applicable for this report.

## 9. Geographical Area of Report's Implications

9.1 None arising from this report.

# 10. Other Implications

10.1 No other implications have been identified.

# 11. Schedule of Background Papers

11.1 Grant Register.