SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD (Non Key)

The following decision was taken on 28 April 2021 by the Executive Director, Place.

Date notified to all members: 4th May 2021

Officer Non-Key decisions are not subject to call-in.

1. TITLE

Future High Streets Fund - Acceptance of MHCLG Grant

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the Executive Director of Place:

- 1. Approves the Council accepting the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government grant of up to £15.817m in accordance with the terms outlined in the grant offer letter and Memorandum of Understanding;
- 2. Note that some of the funding has already been received by the Council; and
- Approves the Council entering into the Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government as further outlined in this report.

3. Reasons For Decision

- 1. This successful award is the culmination of two years of coordinated and comprehensive work to evidence the business case and associated benefits for the proposed improvements to Fargate and the High Street.
- 2. Acceptance of this capital funding provides secures resources to address many of the issues Fargate/High Street faces now and in the future.

4. Alternatives Considered And Rejected

1. Do nothing

Not accepting MHCLG funding of £15.8m would mean foregoing the opportunity to deliver significant capital interventions along Fargate and the High Street and the associated economic, environmental and social benefits. Not acquiring property could mean viable opportunities to deliver key interventions with FHSF are lost or become more complex to deliver.

5. **Documents used in making decision:**

MHCLG Grant Offer Letter 27 April 2021 and enclosures. Grant Determination 2020/21, Memorandum of Understanding 2021/22, Grant Determination 2021/22

Form 2 Cabinet Report, 17th March 2021, Future High Streets Fund – Fargate and High Street

Form 2a Director Non-Key Executive Decision Report, 23rd January 2020, Acceptance of a government grant offer from MHCLG of £127,000 to work up a full business case to seek capital funding from the Future High Streets Fund.

Form 4 Officer Executive Decision Record (Non-Key), 23rd January 2020

Form 2 Cabinet Report, 18th March 2020, Future High Streets Fund – Fargate and High Street

6.1 Any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member who is consulted by the Officer when making the decision

None

6.2 Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service

None

7. Respective Director Responsible for Implementation

Executive Director, Place