

# SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

## POLICY COMMITTEE DECISION RECORD

The following decisions were taken on Wednesday 15 November 2023 by the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee.

### Item No

#### **8. ATTERCLIFFE LEVELLING UP PROGRAMME UPDATE**

8.1 The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director of City Futures that provided a progress update on the successful Round 1 Levelling Up Fund bid for Attercliffe.

8.2 **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** That the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee:-

- Note the progress made on the Attercliffe LUF project

#### 8.3 **Reasons for Decision**

8.3.1 To ensure that the latest information is available and to provide an update on progress with the report.

#### 8.4 **Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

##### 8.4.1 **Do nothing**

Not changing the procurement route for the CCHT would mean that the project couldn't be delivered. Not changing the governance arrangements would not improve coordination and involvement

##### 8.4.2 **Do More**

To do more would require an increase in funding. This is not currently required to deliver the required LUF output

##### 8.4.3 **Chosen Option**

The options in the report represent the best way of delivering the contracted LUF outputs

#### **9. PROGRESS UPDATE ON GATEWAY TO SHEFFIELD LEVELLING UP FUND PROGRAMME**

9.1 The Committee considered a report of the Executive Director of City Futures providing a progress update on the Round 1 Levelling Up Fund bid for The Gateway to Sheffield.

9.2 **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** That the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee:-

- a) Note the progress made on the Gateway to Sheffield LUF project.
- b) Notes that an application will be made to SYMCA to secure Gainshare funding to deliver the full LUF programme as originally proposed.
- c) Approves the revised Governance arrangements.

### 9.3 **Reasons for Decision**

- 9.3.1 To ensure that the latest information is available and to provide an update on progress with the report.
- 9.3.2 For Information and to support the use of Gainshare to deliver the LUF programme as proposed.
- 9.3.3 To support good governance of the project.

### 9.4 **Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

#### 9.4.1 Do nothing

This option would mean not pursuing additional funding to deliver the full Scheme for Castlegate. This has been discounted as the opportunity to secure further funding through Gainshare is available.

#### 9.4.2 Do More

It is not necessary to do more as the chosen option delivers the outputs required

#### 9.4.3 Chosen Option

To deliver the Gateway to Sheffield LUF bid with the support of additional Gainshare Funding

## 10. **2024 TO 2027 REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET**

- 10.1 Members considered a report of the Executive Director City Futures setting out budget pressures and savings proposals that are the responsibility of the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee.

It provided recommendations for savings which would support Sheffield City Council in setting a balanced budget in 2024/25. The recommendations had been subject to consultation with all political parties. The report also requested approval for increases of fees and charges included in Appendix 1.

- 10.2 **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** That the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee:-

1. Note the Council's challenging financial position
2. Note the pressures and risks identified in relation to the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Change Policy Committee budget for the 24/25 financial year and commit to work with officers to mitigate these risks where possible.
3. Note the recommended proposals to deliver savings of £300k for the financial year 2024/2025 for submission to the Strategy and Resources Policy Committee.
4. Agree the increase in fees and charges based on inflation increase and/or the principle of fair cost recovery.

### 10.3 **Reasons for Decision**

- 10.3.1 The proposals recommended for endorsement have cross party support following the initial committee consultation.

It is critical that services are maintained to further support regeneration in the

city and underpin game changing projects like Heart of the City II, Sheffield's Levelling Up city centre pilots, Local Plan development and strategic transport improvements for the city. Added to this, there is a critical need to address Sheffield's commitments around Net Zero and the climate agenda.

The use of the surplus income from road traffic schemes to alleviate the pressure of the ITA Levy is a considered choice. The alternative is reduction in service provision.

Removal of services and budgets will dramatically reduce the City's ability to bid for and win external funding, which is critical to delivery of political and corporate priorities.

The recommended proposals allow the TRC Committee to deliver a balanced budget in response to the Council's budget challenges

#### 10.4 **Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

##### 10.4.1 **Do nothing**

By undertaking none of the proposed actions, TRC committee would not be in a position to contribute to delivering a balanced budget.

##### 10.4.2 **Deliver Balanced Budget**

With the use of some of the surplus revenue from road traffic schemes, we would be able to deliver a balanced budget.

##### 10.4.3 **Offer greater budget savings by stopping services**

Make further savings by stopping non statutory services. As above, additional proposals which propose cuts to services have been rejected by Committee.