

Overview & Scrutiny Management Committee

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Subject: Sheffield City Region's Proposed Devolution Agreement

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Purpose of the meeting

This meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee is being held to consider the Sheffield City Region's proposed devolution agreement. It will do this through two broad questions:

- What are the potential benefits of the proposed devolution agreement for Sheffield and the City Region?
- What additional powers are required from Government to generate the economic impact we are seeking?

Background Information & Evidence

To inform the Committee's discussion the following documents are attached:

- Overview: Sheffield City Region's Proposed Devolution Agreement Report of Sheffield City Council's Director of Policy, Performance & Communications
- The Sheffield City Region's Proposed Devolution Agreement
- A summary of the IPPR North document 'The State of the North 2015: Four tests for the Northern Powerhouse' (full report available <u>here</u>)

The Committee will hear from several witnesses giving a range of perspectives on the proposed devolution agreement including:

- The Sheffield Perspective: Cllr Julie Dore, Sheffield City Council Leader and John Mothersole, Sheffield City Council Chief Executive
- The City Region Perspective: Cllr Sir Steve Houghton CBE, Chair, Sheffield City Region Combined Authority and Martin McKervey, Local Enterprise Partnership Board Member

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

Use the information attached and evidence from witnesses at the meeting to consider and discuss Sheffield City Region's proposed devolution agreement.

The Committee's discussion will be summarised alongside any recommendations and will feed into the Full Council debate on the proposed devolution agreement.

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Background Papers:

The full IPPR North 'State of the North 2015' report is available at http://www.ippr.org/publications/the-state-of-the-north-2015