

1st April 2014

Agenda Item: 8

REPORT OF THE GROUP MANAGER, CORPORATE STRATEGY

CONSULTATION RESPONSE SUBMITTED UNDER URGENCY PROCEDURE: COUNTY ALL PARTY PARLIAMENTARY GROUP INQUIRY

Purpose of the Report

1. To advise members of a response submitted under the urgency procedure to the County All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) inquiry into the role of counties in economic growth.

Information and advice

2. On 28th February, the County Council Network (CCN) alerted its members to the launch of a call for views by the County All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) into the contribution of counties to delivering economic growth. The deadline for responses to the APPG was 28th March 2014
3. A copy of the launch note for the inquiry is attached to this report (appendix A). It outlines the key lines of inquiry that the APPG will consider in developing more detailed proposals for growth deals for counties. The inquiry is expected to conclude in June, with the launch of a formal report.
4. A response has been prepared and submitted by the APPG deadline. A copy of the response is attached (appendix B). It was signed off through the provisions for urgent decisions by the Chief Executive (Option C, Part C of the Constitution – decision by the Chief Executive) due to the submission deadlines being outside of the Committee cycle.

Reason(s) for Recommendations

5. Decisions taken through the urgency procedures are required to be reported to the next available Committee meeting.

Statutory and Policy Implications

6. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described in the report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

7. It is recommended that Committee notes this report

Report of the Group Manager, Corporate Strategy, Celia Morris

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Constitutional Comments [SLB 21.03.2014]

This report is for noting only.

Financial Comments [SEM 21.03.2014]

There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers

County All Party Parliamentary Group Inquiry

(www.countycouncilsnetwork.org.uk/CountyAPPG)

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All