

# CABINET

## Reporting in of Urgent Officer Decision 14 January 2024

### Report of Chief Officer Governance

PURPOSE OF REPORT			
To advise Members of actions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.			
Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-Key Decision	Referral from Officers
Date of notice of forthcoming key decision	n/a		
This report is public			

#### RECOMMENDATION

- (1) That the action taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, in respect of the following, be noted:

**To approve the Workwell Vanguard and accept the allocation of funding as a matter of urgency.**

#### 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 On 25 November 2024 an Urgent Business Decision taken by the Chief Executive was published with regard to Workwell. The decision was taken after the publication of the Cabinet agenda and was therefore not reported into December Cabinet and in accordance with the constitution is now being reported into January's Cabinet.

#### 2.0 Proposal Details

- 2.1 The decision was for the authority to accept £589,894 allocated from the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board (LSCICB) as a result of a successful bid to the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) and the Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) to be a WorkWell Partnership Programme (WWPP) Vanguard. This would enable the creation of a multi-disciplinary team (MDTs) to support residents who were in employment and have health conditions to remain in the workplace and support residents with health conditions who were looking to move into employment.

- 2.2 The decision was taken in accordance with Matters of Urgency – Delegations to the Chief Executive and the Chief Executive (in consultation with the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee) agreed to waive call-in in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rule 17(a).

The reason for the urgency was that the Vanguard had started on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 and there had been delays in the mobilisation of the project. There was concern that any further delays might put the project at risk. Further details are provided in the Urgent Business report which can be accessed [here](#)

### 3.0 Conclusion

The decision taken by the Chief Executive is being reported to this meeting in accordance with the City Council's Constitution, Delegation to the Chief Executive – Matters of Urgency.

<b>RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK</b>	
As set out in the Urgent Decision Notice UB137	
<b>CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT (including Health &amp; Safety, Equality &amp; Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, HR, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)</b>	
As set out in the Urgent Decision Notice UB137	
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</b>	
As set out in the Urgent Decision Notice UB137	
<b>FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS</b>	
As set out in the Urgent Decision Notice UB137	
<b>OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	
As set out in the Urgent Decision Notice UB137	
<b>SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS</b>	
The 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments	
<b>MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS</b>	
The report is in the name of the Monitoring Officer.	
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