

Sheffield City Region Mayoral Combined Authority
Notice of Special Urgency in Respect of Publicity in Connection with a Key Decision

This is a notice in accordance with Article 12 of the Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017.

Date: 15 March 2019

Subject Title of Key Decision: Acceptance of the Transforming Cities Fund Tranche 1 Grant

Decision Maker: Sheffield City Region Mayoral Combined Authority

Date Key Decision to be Made: 25 March 2019

Brief Description of Subject: Further to an announcement by the Chancellor on 13 March 2019, SCR became aware that the MCA had been successful in securing £4.2m of funding (form the Transforming Cities Fund Tranche 1 Grant).

If the MCA on 25th March can formally accept the funding and make the appropriate delegations, then this will allow Government to release the funds before year end and allow the MCA to maximise potential spend.

Reason for Urgency: Notification of the timing of the announcement had not been given and, therefore, it was not possible to schedule its acceptance for a forthcoming MCA meeting. As a result of this, it was not possible to give 28 days' notice of the key decision being made and the item was not placed on the Forward Plan.

Agreement for Special Urgency Given By: Cllr Chris Furness, Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Decision of Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee:

I AGREE that the proposed decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Any other comments: None

Proposed course of action: Allow the urgent approval of the Acceptance of the Transforming Cities Fund Tranche 1 Grant

Date of agreement: 14 March 2019

Further notes:

- the decision can proceed only if the Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee has given written approval (or Vice-Chair in his/her absence);
- this process should only have to be used on rare occasions.