EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: Cabinet Member for Jobs and

Growth

KEY DECISION: Yes

PORTFOLIO AREA: Jobs and Growth

PORTFOLIOS AFFECTED: JOBS AND GROWTH

WARDS AFFECTED: All

SUBJECT: EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL AND INVESTMENT FUND PROGRAMME FOR ENGLAND 2014-2020: WIRRAL WAYS TO WORK PROGRAMME EXTENSION

1. RECOMMENDATION:

- 1.1 The Cabinet Member for Jobs and Growth is recommended to:
 - Approve the extension of the Wirral Ways to Work Programme and the sources and allocation of match funding for any successful extension as set out in this report;
 - Approve the future delivery model for any successful extension as set out in this report;
 - Authorise the Director for Economic & Housing Growth to authorise any changes to the programme and where appropriate/in consultation with the Director of Governance and Assurance sign any future contractual agreements with the Combined Authority on behalf of the Council.
 - Authorise the Director for Economic & Housing Growth where appropriate/in consultation with the Director of Governance and Assurance to progress and finalise any future commissioning contract variations and/or extensions.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION

2.1 Continuation of the successful Wirral Ways to Work Programme which is reducing worklessness in Wirral, an area which has had persistent levels far exceeding regional and national averages for many years. The Ways to Work programme provides services to support adults and young people into employment and as such supports a number of pledges within the Wirral Plan.

3. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

3.1 The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer. The recommendations

reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

4.1 None

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Date: 11/7/18

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Date: 12/7/18

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