

EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: Deputy Leader of the Council

KEY DECISION YES

PORTFOLIO AREA: Investment

PORTFOLIOS AFFECTED: Investment

WARDS AFFECTED: All

SUBJECT: Merseyside Business Support Programme Extension

1. RECOMMENDATION:

- 1.1 It is recommended that Members approve the extension of the existing Merseyside Business Support contract with Wirral Chamber of Commerce until March 2016.
- 1.2 That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised sign a contract variation with Wirral Chamber for the continuation of the Merseyside Business Support Programme.
- 1.3 That Members approve a maximum of £100,000 from existing match funding to be spent on business support until March 2016.


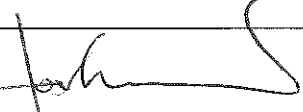
2. REASONS FOR THE DECISION

- 2.1. To ensure that Wirral businesses continue to be supported until the new ERDF programme is in place

3. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

- 3.1 The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Deputy Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation and an equality analysis and impact assessment has been completed. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

<p>Signed: </p> <p>Executive Member: Deputy Leader</p>	<p>Signed: </p> <p>Chief Officer: Strategic Director</p>
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Date: 30.9.15 - Also present:	Date: 30.9.15
Date of Senior Policy Team Meeting(s):	

A list of background papers on this issue is held with:

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