

OFFICER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: Director of Regeneration & Place

KEY DECISION NO

DIRECTORATE: Regeneration & Place

WARDS AFFECTED: Birkenhead & Tranmere, Liscard and Seacombe

SUBJECT: UK Shared Prosperity Fund – Wirral High Streets: Local Capacity Building Support

1.0 DECISION:

1.1 The Director of Regeneration & Place has approved the commencement of the procurement exercise to seek a suitably qualified organisation to provide dedicated support to high street stakeholders in Liscard and Birkenhead Town Centres based on the specification set out at paragraphs 3.12 – 3.17 of this report and in accordance with the Most Economically Advantageous Tender evaluation criteria.

2.0 REASONS FOR THE DECISION

2.1 To support the agreed UK Shared Prosperity Fund Investment Plan priority to deliver a range of interventions to boost town centre activity and raise the profile of high street businesses.

3.0 STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

3.1 The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the 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.

4.0 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

4.1 The officers involved in the commissioning and procurement of this contract have no interests to declare.

4.2 The Director of Regeneration and Place as the nominated officer for this decision has no interest to declare.



Signed:

Officer: David Hughes

Title: Director of Regeneration & Place

Date: 24TH May 2023

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

Contact Officer: Hannah Austin, Principal Economic Development Lead.

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