

OFFICER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: David Hughes, Director of Regeneration and Place

KEY DECISION Yes

DIRECTORATE: Regeneration and Place

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL WARDS

SUBJECT: TOWARDS A SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE LIVERPOOL CITY REGION UP TO 2040 – WIRRAL RESPONSE

1.0 DECISION:

The Director of Regeneration and Place has approved the Council's response to the consultation by the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority on the emerging Spatial Development Strategy for the Liverpool City Region as set out in Appendix 1 to the accompanying report.

2.0 REASONS FOR THE DECISION

- 2.1 The Liverpool City Region Combined Authority (CA) has consulted on the latest stage of preparation of what will become on adoption the Liverpool City Region Spatial Development Strategy (SDS). Once adopted the SDS will become part of the statutory Development Plan for Wirral and will form part of the planning policy framework for assessing planning applications in Wirral. The consultation period ran from November 2023 until February 2024. Due to ongoing work connected with the examination of the Wirral Local Plan, the CA has agreed that the Council's response can be submitted after the deadline for comments, given that this is a non-statutory stage in the process. This is a key decision as the SDS has the potential to affect all Wards. The recommendations enable the Council to respond to the consultation by the CA on the emerging SDS for the Liverpool City Region.

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. 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 None



Signed:

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