

This Delegated Decision is Non-Key and therefore not subject to call-in.

1. Subject of decision

Scale Up North East – Variation to approved LGF grant award.

Thematic Lead Area

- Economic Development and Regeneration

Delegation Reference (Refer to Meeting Minute Number or Delegation Scheme in the Constitution)

North East Leadership Board on 20th March 2018 approved an amendment to the existing Scale Up North East LGF contract to enable RTC Ltd to use £800,000 LGF as match to a new ERDF supply chain bid, with delegation to the North East LEP's Executive Director in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Section 73 Officer to approve the revised business case should ERDF funding be approved as set out in section.

This decision has been delegated to one or more officer(s) under:

- (a) A specific express authorisation was given to the Head of Paid Service by the Leadership Board on 20th March 2018 to make and enter into appropriate project contracts after specified consultation.

- (b) a general authorisation to take such decisions **and**, the effect of the decision is to:

- (i) grant a permission or licence;

- (ii) affect the rights of an individual; or

- (iii) award a contract or incur expenditure which, in either case, materially affects the Authority's financial position.

2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

Helen Golightly, Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority

3. Details of any Conflict of Interest and any Dispensation granted in respect of such Interest

none.

4. Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to agree to the significantly revised and expanded 'Scale Up North East' project business case following appraisal and discussion at the North East LEP Technical Officer Group and approval under delegated authority from the North East LEP Board to the Executive Director to enable previously approved Local Growth Fund budgets to the Regional Technology Centre to be used as matched funds to support an additional 'Supply Chain North East' programme of activity.

5. Decision(s)

5(a)

The recommendations were agreed as outlined in the Delegated Decision Report

5(b) If Exempt or Confidential, please provide a reason:

Confidential – Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

6. Alternative options considered

Alternative options were considered as identified in the Delegated Decision Report.

7. Reasons for the Decision(s)

As outlined in the Delegated Decision Report

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