

Record of Delegated Executive Decision(s)

1. Subject of decision

To enter into an Accelerator Development Fund Grant Fund Agreement to support the development a robust business case for the Levelling Up Fund (LUF) Round 2 for North Shields Fish Quay which will include the relocation of the ferry landing.

2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

John Sparkes, Director of Regeneration & Economic Development

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

None

4. Executive summary (To be taken from written report)

The purpose of this report is to seek approval of the Director of Regeneration & Economic Development to accept an offer of Accelerator Development Fund (ADF) grant from the North East Local Enterprise Partnership (NELEP) for the North Shields Fish Quay works using the specific delegation RED 3 given to the Director of Regeneration and Economic Development.

Delegated approval is also sought to:

- complete the grant funding agreements for the project above; and
- appoint Capita as the Authority's strategic partner to prepare the RIBA up to stage 4 design works, feasibility and business case development

Completion of this work will enable the Authority to develop a Levelling Up Bid in advance of the expected Government announcement on the next funding round in Spring 2022.

5. Alternative Options considered

There are no alternative options. The report is for approval to enter a Grant Funding Agreement for funding that the Authority has applied for.

6. Decision(s)

That, using the power delegated by the Authority, using the specific delegation RED 3, the Director of Regeneration & Economic Development:

- (1) accepts from the North East Local Enterprise Partnership the Accelerator Development Fund grants of:
 - a. £60,000 for the feasibility, design and site investigation works to inform the development of designs, project plan and feasibility work for North Shields Fish Quay
- (2) Instructs the appropriate manager in Law and Governance to take all necessary steps to complete the grant funding agreement pursuant to the above; and
- (3) authorises the appointment of Capita as the Council's strategic partner to prepare the designs and project plan for North shields Fish Quay.

7. Reasons for the Decision(s)

Accepting this funding will enable the Authority to undertake feasibility and development work required to inform Levelling Up applications for round 2 for North Shields Fish Quay for submission by 6th July 2022

8. Date Decision Made

26th April 2022

To be completed by Democratic Services

9. Is this decision subject to call-in and if so expiry date of call-in period

Yes 5.00pm Wednesday 4 May 2022

10. Date of Publication

Tuesday 26 April 2022

11. Implementation Date (if decision not called in)

After 5.00pm Wednesday 4 May 2022