

## OFFICER DECISION RECORD

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| <b>Decision Title:</b> Intellectual Property for Growth grants (round one – stage one)  |
| <b>Decision reference number:</b> 04.02.22  |
| <b>Decision date:</b> 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2022   |
| <b>Background / reason for decision:</b> <p>Delegated authority has been granted to the West of England Combined Authority (Combined Authority) Chief Executive Officer to take decisions on the award of Intellectual Property for Growth grants in consultation with the Chief Executive Officers of the West of England councils.</p> <p>Intellectual Property for Growth is a support programme open to Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs) based in Bath and North East Somerset, Bristol and South Gloucestershire (the West of England Combined Authority geography) seeking to conduct an Intellectual Property (IP) audit (stage 1) and implement recommended actions contained therein (stage 2).</p> <p>£480,000 of the Combined Authority’s West of England Investment Fund has been allocated to progress the programme.</p> <p>Round one grant applications were submitted and assessed against eligibility / scoring criteria. The Business and Skills Directors of the West of England councils were consulted on the recommendations that emerged from this assessment process.</p> <p>The Chief Executive Officers of the West of England councils were consulted on the proposals under written procedure and were in agreement with the decision to agree the below stage 1 awards.</p> |
| <b>Options considered:</b> <p>Not applicable in relation to this specific decision, i.e. this was the option considered.</p>  |

**Decision:**

Approval given for the following grant allocations:

| <b>Project ID</b> | <b>Company Name</b>                                     | <b>Grant amount (£s)</b> |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------|
| IP001             | Somnus Scientific Limited                               | 2,400                    |
| IP003             | Data Cubed Ltd  | 2,400                    |
| IP006             | YellowDog Limited                                       | 2,400                    |
| IP007             | Rising Arts Agency CIC                                  | 2,400                    |
| IP011             | SpaceBands LTD  | 2,400                    |
| IP012             | Views for Change (trading name of T Good Fight Ltd)     | 2,400                    |
| IP013             | Upstarter Ventures                                      | 2,400                    |
| IP014             | Bristol Energy Cooperative                              | 2,400                    |
| IP016             | West of England Centre for Inclusive Living (WECIL) Ltd | 2,400                    |
| IP019             | Imaginable Ltd  | 2,400                    |
| IP022             | Epowar Limited  | 2,400                    |
| IP027             | aBotics Ltd.  | 2,400                    |
| IP028             | Rubbish Ideas LTD                                       | 2,400                    |
| IP029             | Digital Visitor Limited                                 | 2,400                    |
| IP030             | IRIS Intelligence                                       | 2,400                    |
| IP031             | Open 24 Seven Limited                                   | 2,400                    |
| IP032             | Tethir Ltd  | 2,400                    |
| IP033             | Breathe Smarter Limited                                 | 2,400                    |
| IP036             | National Centre for Integrative Medicine                | 2,400                    |
| IP037             | BPM Contracting Services Ltd                            | 2,400                    |
| IP038             | Future Piano Ltd  | 2,400                    |
| IP040             | VisitMôr Ltd  | 2,400                    |
| IP041             | Crack Industries Ltd                                    | 2,400                    |
| IP043             | Web App Services Limited                                | 2,400                    |
| IP046             | Hydrolize Ltd   | 2,400                    |
| IP047             | Better Together – Online Safety (BT-OS)                 | 2,400                    |
| IP048             | Esoterix Systems  | 2,400                    |
| IP052             | Calyo   | 2,400                    |

**Total** **67,200**

**Consultation:**

The Chief Executive Officers of the West of England councils were consulted on the recommendations for award.

**Officer making decision:** Patricia Greer

**Position:** Chief Executive Officer – West of England Combined Authority

**Report / appendices / background documents:**

None