

OFFICER DECISION RECORD

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Decision Title: Green Recovery Fund - investment Decisions

Decision reference number: ODN23_0003

Decision date: 28 June 2023

Background / reason for decision:

A paper taken to CEOs to provide clarity on budgets as well as asking for decisions and indicative allocations for budgets within the Green Recovery Fund. To be able to develop and deliver projects successfully, primarily new ones associated with the £6m allocation agreed at March 2023 Committee, additional project resource is required in the Mayoral Combined Authority (MCA).

CEO's agreement was sought to use a small element of the £6m to recruit 3 Project Officers. They would be employed to develop three priority projects (Retrofit Finance, Heat from Mines and the Pollinator Fund).

In addition, the paper sought approval for a Green Recovery Fund Project Governance Officer, required to provide oversight of project delivery and administration across the fund; and a Nature Recovery Partnerships Officer, to work across projects awarded grants to ensure maximum value attained.

Options considered: N/A

Decision: The Feasibility & Development Funding Application for Green Recovery Fund resource request was approved.

Consultation: Proposals were discussed separately with Officer groups across the Unitary Authorities.

Officer making decision: Richard Ennis

Position: Interim Chief Executive, West of England Combined Authority

Report / appendices / background documents:

Appendix 1 (attached): Feasibility & Development Funding Application for GRF resource request Appendix 2 (attached): Green Recovery Fund – CEOs report presented 28th June 2023