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| To: NORTH LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP | | Subject: REDUCTION OF LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIPS |
| From: CHIEF EXECUTIVE | | |
| Date: 14 July 2011 | Ref: JS | |

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Local Area Partnership on the decision taken by the Policy & Resources Committee on 16th June 2011 in relation to the boundary changes for the Local Area Partnerships and to advise of the operational changes.

2. Background

- 2.2 At a Special Policy & Resources Committee in December 2010, it was agreed to reduce the Local Area Partnerships from six to three and following on from this two options for the proposed new LAP boundaries were submitted for consideration at the meeting on 9th February 2011.
- 2.3 It was agreed that these two boundary options would form the basis of consultation with the Local Area Teams, Local Area Partnerships, and Community Forums, during March and April 2011 with the consultation period closing on 6th May 2011.
- 2.4 From the consultation it appeared that on balance and where a preference was declared the majority supported option one, however given the small number of respondents it was difficult to quantify an accurate level of support for either option.

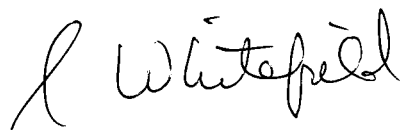
3. Proposals

- 3.1 The Local Regeneration Managers are currently covering two areas and this is complying with previous budgetary decisions and the savings have already been achieved. On this basis, the Policy & Resources Committee approved that for the remainder of the Council term to maintain the existing six Local Area Partnerships structure, subject to ongoing review.
- 3.2 All who participated in the consultation have been advised of this decision.

4. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Committee

- (i) Note the content of this report



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