## LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

## **COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET**

## **URGENT BUSINESS COMMITTEE - MONDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2021**

Please let the Committee Officer know as soon as possible if you do not agree with any action proposed in this decision sheet. These are decisions of the Committee and there is an expectation that action will be taken. If for any reason it is apparent that you will not be able to act on these instructions in full or in part or that there will be a delay, please let the Committee Officer know as it may be necessary to advise the Committee or seek further instructions from the Committee.

	Item Title	Committee Decision	Services Required to take action	Officer to Action
1	Determination of Urgent Business	The Committee resolved: to agree that the item of business listed on the agenda was of an urgent nature and required to be considered this day to enable the Committee to consider the matter at the earliest available opportunity and take decisions thereon.		
2	Determination of Exempt Business	The Committee resolved: in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of item 3 (Hydrogen Hub Preferred Bidder Appointment), so as to avoid disclosure of exempt information of the classes described in paragraphs 6 and 10 of Schedule 7A of the Act.	Governance	K Finch
3	Members are requested to intimate any declarations of interest	The Committee resolved: No interests were declared.		

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4	Hydrogen Hub Preferred Bidder Appointment	The Committee resolved:  (i) to note the public procurement exercise undertaken to appoint a preferred bidder to be the Council's joint venture partner for the Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub;  (ii) to approves the appointment of the Preferred Bidder;	Resources	S Whyte
		(iii) to instruct the Head of Commercial and Procurement, following consultation with the Chief Officer – Finance to progress all further work to conclude the contract terms and agreements with the Preferred Bidder, as outlined in section 5;	Commercial and Procurement/ Finance	C Innes J Belford
		(iv) to instruct the Head of Commercial and Procurement to report to City Growth and Resources Committee in February 2022 on the structure of the proposed contracts, the expected return on investment to the Council and detail on the joint venture structure, governance, obligations and risk;	Commercial and Procurement/	C Innes
		(v) to agree that a joint press release would be issued by the Council and the Preferred Bidder following the conclusion of the Urgent Business Committee;		
		(vi) to instruct the Chief Officer - City Growth to continue to engage and lobby for additional external funding from both the UK Government and the devolved Scottish Government and note that the Leader of Aberdeen City	City Growth	R Sweetnam

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	Council would engage in discussions during COP26 in Glasgow with both UK and Scottish governments regarding obtaining additional funding for Aberdeen's Hydrogen Hub;  (vii) to note that the Strategic Commercial Manager would provide via email clarification on the date when it was agreed to enter into a procurement exercise to identify and appoint a Joint Venture partner for the development of the Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub; and  (viii) to note that the Chief Officer — Finance would circulate by email information relating to the existing level of funding from the EU Government, UK Government and Scottish Government for the Hydrogen project.	Commercial and Procurement  Finance	A Collins  J Belford

If you require any further information about this decision sheet, please contact Karen Finch email kfinch@aberdeencity.gov.uk