ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report presents an update on a number of projects to be delivered through the City Centre Masterplan (CCMP) review and makes recommendations on next steps to continue to support economic and place-based recovery within the City. The CCMP Projects discussed within this report include:
 - Union Street Façade Review Condition Survey (report)
 - Opportunities for Café Culture in the Belmont Street Quarter (business case)
 - Public realm improvements from Aberdeen Market to Guild Street (visioning document)
 - Ongoing engagement regarding George Street area
 - Joint Integrated Mortuary relocation from Queen Street

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Union Street Building Condition

- 2.1 Note the content of the Building Condition Survey (Appendix A) and agree the identified priorities (Roof, Rainwater Goods, Shopfronts, Stonework), with Zone B (Market Street-Bridge Street) to be prioritised.
- 2.2 Instruct the Chief Officer Corporate Landlord to prepare:
 - a) a plan for implementation of improvement works to buildings in Council ownership,
 - b) a plan for implementation of works to buildings outwith Council ownership, to allow engagement with property owners,

with Zone B (Market Street-Bridge Street) to be prioritised in both circumstances and report progress in June 2022.

- 2.3 Instruct the Chief Officer Strategic Place Planning to:
 - a) prepare a detailed specification for appropriate façade stone cleaning,
 - b) investigate means to simplify procedures for statutory consents,
 - and report progress to Full Council in June 2022.
- 2.4 Instruct the Chief Officer Commercial and Procurement to develop a procurement and funding plan for building repair work as identified in Appendix A, including investigating a 'One-stop' service to cover professional services required to implement improvement works and report the results to Full Council by August 2022.
- 2.5 Note Appendixes F and G and Instruct the Chief Officer City Growth to advance the works to identify the full range of intervention measures to repopulate vacant units in Union Street to Full Business case including further assessment of potential non-retail uses and report outcomes in December 2022.

Belmont Street Café Culture

- 2.6 Note the stakeholder engagement that has been undertaken, the preferred Option 3 identified, and approve the full business case as detailed in Appendix B.
- 2.7 Instruct the Director of Resources to develop and implement a detailed design for Option 3 identified in the Business Case including operational plans in consultation with Belmont Quarter stakeholders and key stakeholders (including Disability Equity Partnership).
- 2.8 Instruct the Chief Officer Operations and Protective Services to progress with the necessary Traffic Regulation Orders and implement as part of the operational plan and associated delivery measures in the context of the wider traffic management plan.
- 2.9 Note the ongoing engagement with the Disability Equity Partnership and at their request the following interim measures are being progressed:
 - a) Introduction of accessible parking spaces in Back Wynd on a trial basis at the earliest opportunity the impact of which will be monitored,
 - b) Introduction of temporary accessibility ramps to the south side of Union Street Central located opposite dropped kerb locations existing on the north side of the street.

Market to Guild Street Streetscape

2.10 Note the design concept masterplan for public realm improvements for the Market Street to Guild Street area as detailed in Appendix D.

- 2.11 Instruct the Director of Resources to develop detailed design for Phase 1 implementation of those improvements in consultation with key stakeholders and report results to Full Council in August 2022.
- 2.12 Instruct the Chief Officer Operations and Protective Services to progress with the necessary Traffic Regulation Orders to implement in the context of the Phase 1 delivery and the wider traffic management plan.
- 2.13 Instruct the Chief Officer Operations and Protective Services and Chief Officer City Growth to identify opportunities to improve the amenity of the wider Market to Guild Street area in conjunction with the anticipated Phase 1 delivery.
- 2.14 Note the City Growth and Resources Committee instruction to develop a Full Business Case for Union Street East and Castlegate by end 2022 and ensure that business case is developed in tandem with the emerging business case for the Beach Boulevard.

George Street

2.15 Note the ongoing engagement exercise on the future of the George Street area.

City Centre Masterplan Recalibration incorporating the Beach

2.16 Instruct the Chief Officer Strategic Place Planning to recalibrate the City Centre Masterplan to incorporate the Beach and George Street masterplanning exercises and report the results to Full Council in August 2022.

Joint Integrated Mortuary

2.17 Note the £18 million capital cost contribution from Scottish Government on behalf of the Health and Justice Directorates and refer simpliciter to the Council's budget meeting on 7 March 2022.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Council's City Growth and Resources Committee agreed to review the City Centre Masterplan (CCMP) 2015 at its meeting on 3 February 2021. Subsequent reports on the progress of the review were reported to the City Growth and Resources Committee on 11 May 2021 (RES/21/115) and 25 August 2021 (RES/21/179). At the City Growth and Resources Committee meeting on 12 November 2021 (RES/21/297) the committee considered a Combined City Centre and Beach covering report and approved a number of recommendations relating to the projects discussed therein. These included instructions for officers to report back in February 2022 on the following:
 - A Visual Building Condition Survey for all properties on Union Street

- Development of a Full Business Case and Operational Model for the Belmont Street and Back Wynd area, in consultation with local traders.
- Public realm improvements from Aberdeen Market to Guild Street
- 3.2 The Joint Integrated Mortuary project business case was previously reported to the 2021/22 budget process with an instruction given to the Director of Resources to secure a suitable funding package to enable progression.
- 3.3 At its meeting on 13 December 2021, Council agreed that all future papers relating to the City Centre Masterplan, the Beach Masterplan, Aberdeen Market and Queen Street Redevelopment be reported to full Council meetings until decided otherwise by a decision of Council.

4. PROCESS

As reported to the November 2021 City Growth and Resources Committee meeting, Hub North Scotland (HubNS) has been engaged by the Council to act as the Project Management Office for the procurement and management of the necessary design, consultancy and technical work to develop proposals for various streetscape interventions and public realm works. A multi-disciplinary team for the City Centre Streetscape Improvements workstream commenced work on 5 July 2021. Additional consultancy support has been appointed by the Council to develop a Traffic Management Plan for the city centre. Weekly progress meetings have been held and a series of workshops with key stakeholders and technical officers from within Aberdeen City Council have been undertaken.

5. PROGRESS UPDATE

- 5.1 Union Street Visual Building Condition Survey
- 5.1.1. One of the issues raised as a priority during the "The Future of Aberdeen City Centre and the Beach" public engagement exercise in June-July 2021 was the condition of the buildings on Union Street.
- 5.1.2. A visual building condition survey for all properties on Union Street has now been undertaken and is summarised at **Appendix A**. Inspections were carried out during December 2021 and January 2022 by building surveyors from Savills' Scottish Building & Consultancy, with additional consultation provided by a conservation accredited surveyor.
- 5.1.3. The survey report recommends that to improve the cosmetic appearance of Union Street generally the following items would require to addressed:
 - Replacement/ repair to shop fronts and signage
 - Redecoration of windows
 - Repairs to rainwater goods
 - Cleaning of stonework
 - Various roof repairs

- 5.1.4. The inspection focusses on 134 individual properties, the majority of which are listed (6 category A, 36 category B, 59 category C). These have been categorised as follows:
 - 68 'Green' rated properties, meaning the property is in good condition.
 - 63 'Amber' rated properties, meaning the property is in fair condition.
 - 3 'Red' rated properties, meaning the property is in poor condition.
- 5.1.5. The survey methodology was developed with input from the Council's Strategic Place Planning Service and the output of all survey work will be shared with both the Aberdeen City Heritage Trust (ACHT) and Union Street Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) project officers.
- 5.1.6. Key recommendations arising from the condition survey report include preparing a strategy for implementation with the main barriers to owners and occupiers expected to be cost and inconvenience. The report recommends:
 - Offering grant funding or a 'one stop' service to cover professional services needed to implement the improvement works.
 - Creating a new fund to enable shopfront replacements to be carried out that do not need to conform to the strict criteria set for traditional shopfronts, offering up to 50% funding.
 - Creating a procurement strategy or service that offers competitive and consistent rates for building repairs throughout Union Street.
 - Simplifying the procedures required for all statutory consents by providing overarching building warrant, planning and listed building consents for the prescribed works. This will require liaison with all relevant third parties to ensuring that all requirements are fulfilled from the outset.
- 5.1.7. The report goes on to recommend that buildings with a poor rating and those in Council ownership should be targeted as test projects. This should be carried out and coordinated in conjunction with streetscape improvements to Union Street Central in the first instance.
- 5.1.8. The next stage is to develop a plan for implementation of improvement works and engage with property owners, with Zone B (Union Street Central Market Street-Bridge Street) to be prioritised with a view to action to fit in with the delivery timetable for the new Aberdeen Market completion. This will include preparing a detailed specification for appropriate façade stone cleaning and determining means to simplify procedures for statutory consents.
- 5.1.9. It is also recommended that a procurement and funding plan be developed for building repair work as identified in Appendix A, including investigating a 'One-stop' service to cover professional services required to implement improvement works.
- 5.1.10. At this stage, members are asked to note the overall estimated costs outlined in the report. Final costs will be determined following engagement with building owners.

- 5.2 Vacant properties in Union Street (Central)
- 5.2.1. With the previous reports on the city centre there was an instruction to the Chief Officer Corporate Landlord to consider a Business Case to bring other vacant properties within this key area of Union Street back into economic use. Initial work on this has been progressed and a plan identifying occupiers, owners, and vacant properties is attached as **Appendix F**.
- 5.2.2. A high-level review of proposed interventions which has been prepared with property agents Savills and is also included as an exempt **Appendix G**. At this stage members are asked to note the content of the report and the baseline information it presents in relation to Union Street. It is proposed that the report is progressed to full business case with options developed and considered further and economic impact and costs progressed in more detail. It is intended that this will be presented by December 2022 to allow the impact of current projects to be assessed more fully.
- 5.2.3. A programme of events for Union Street, focussing on the central area between Market Street and Bridge Street, should therefore be developed to coincide with streetscape completion and re-population of vacant units to encourage footfall in the city centre. Members should note that detailed design work for Union Street Central and the associated traffic management plan is progressing as instructed. A further update on engagement is provided in section 6 of this report
- 5.3 Belmont Quarter Business Case and Operational Plan
- 5.3.1. As part of the Council's response to the Covid-19 pandemic, temporary measures were introduced allowing businesses trading in the Belmont Street Quarter to establish temporary outdoor street seating close to their premises. These temporary measures came to an end on 25 January 2022 and a longer term, planned solution is now sought.
- 5.3.2. Concept ideas for how Belmont Street and Back Wynd could develop a permanent café culture environment were agreed by the City Growth and Resources Committee on 12 November 2021. Further to this meeting a full business case (**Appendix B**) and operational plan (**Appendix C**) have now been developed to examine issues such as design, delivery, maintenance and management implications.
- 5.3.3. The appraisal has considered five possible options for addressing these objectives:
 - a Laissez-faire Approach, where each business applies for permission to assemble outdoor seating on an ad hoc and case-bycase basis;
 - two partnership approach options (one Council led and one operator partner led), where the businesses provide their own outdoor furniture, but work in partnership with the Council or operator to implement these in a co-ordinated way; and

- two fully furnished options, where the Council or operator develop a complete solution, including to source and install the furniture and make these available to businesses in the quarter.
- 5.3.4. Each of these options was assessed against four project objectives:
 - Growing the City Centre Employment Base,
 - A Metropolitan Outlook,
 - Culturally Distinctive, and
 - A Living City for Everyone,

Further issues of affordability; business needs and deliverability were also considered.

- 5.3.5. Based on this assessment, Option 3, Council led partnership approach was identified as the preferred option. The cost of delivering this is estimated to be £1,545,200 and, if approved, it is anticipated that the work can be completed this year, pending supply chain delivery and material availability. This will include relocating taxi ranks and some accessible parking to Union Terrace. Although not expressed in the draft operational plan, accessible parking has been discussed in principle with representatives of the Disability Equity Partnership. There is potential for accessible parking spaces to be provided in Back Wynd on a trial basis at the earliest opportunity to assess impact. Final locations for this and other accessible parking will be agreed in conjunction with Disability Equity Partnership.
- 5.4 Public realm improvements from Aberdeen Market to Guild Street
- 5.4.1. Concept design work has now been undertaken to determine a scope of works in the context of a wider public realm improvement masterplan for the Merchant Quarter and the Green (**Appendix D**). The emphasis of the first phase of delivery will be achieving improved accessibility and wayfinding between the Market and Public Transport hubs/Union Square.
- 5.4.2. Appendix D presents a masterplan overview of potential future streetscape interventions. Phase 1 delivery is identified which is proposed to be delivered to coincide with the completion of the Market project and to address the following:
 - Accessibility between the Market and Guild Street Bus / Rail Stations, including areas of footway widening and accessible crossing points.
 - Improved signage and wayfinding, linking to existing strategies, to encourage pedestrian and accessible movement between the Market and Guild Street.
 - Enhanced lighting proposals to improve public safety.
- 5.4.3. If approved, the concept design work will move to detailed design and engagement with stakeholders, including continued engagement with the Disability Equity Partnership, occupiers and business networks.

- 5.4.4. The project team continue to work on establishing the detailed designs across the City Centre Streetscape Intervention areas, and a further report on progress will be reported to the Full Council meeting in June 2022.
- 5.4.5. The November 2021 City Growth and Resources Committee instructed the development of a Full Business Case for Union Street East and Castlegate by end 2022. Given the essential links between the Castlegate, Beach Boulevard and the Beach, it is prudent to ensure that any business case is developed in tandem with the emerging business case for the Beach Boulevard and pending the outcomes of the Beach masterplanning process.

5.5 <u>Aberdeen Market</u>

5.5.1. Design development work on the market is progressing well at this time. The marketing process to identify a development partner for the site is also progressing with site visits having been held with a number of interested parties. It is the intention of officers to report the outcome of this exercise and the updated business case in the next committee cycle.

5.6 <u>City Centre Masterplan Recalibration</u>

5.6.1. Given the ongoing consultation relating to George Street and the workstreams related to the Beach, it is considered prudent to now recalibrate the City Centre Masterplan to encapsulate changes and ensure it is both up to date and relevant. This will be undertaken to take into account emerging themes arising from both projects and reported to Full Council by the end of 2022. The revised document will be titled City Centre and Beach Masterplan 2022.

6. ENGAGEMENT

6.1 As project work progresses, Council may wish to note the ongoing engagement being undertaken in relation to the various workstreams.

6.2 <u>George Street consultation</u>

- 6.2.1. The City Growth and Resources Committee on 12 November 2021 noted the position regarding George Street and the continued uncertainty surrounding the future of the former John Lewis building and instructed officers to undertake public and stakeholder engagement in early 2022 and report back in June 2022.
- 6.2.2. Consultation regarding George Street is currently underway, running from 7 February for 4 weeks until 7 March 2022. Initial engagement takes places through the 'Citizen Space' consultation hub, with George Street Community Council and all Ward Members informed.
- 6.2.3. Next steps will involve a full engagement programme to inform preparation of a mini masterplan to highlight renewal projects for the identified area and with wider area connectivity (e.g. rest of City Centre / Broadford Works etc).

6.3 Ongoing CCMP engagement

- 6.3.1. A Belmont Street Quarter survey was carried out with businesses and residents in the area to understand more about their priorities, challenges and activities in relation to outdoor trading. This took the form of an online survey, which could be accessed by scanning the QR code on a flyer or using a short URL. The survey ran from 1 to 15 December 2021. Flyers were delivered by hand to each address and, where possible, the delivery team spoke to the recipient to explain the project and encourage participation.
- 6.3.2. The online survey received a total of 72 responses, including business owners, residents and other interested respondents. The results of the survey highlighted a number of businesses that would be interested in participating in outdoor trading, their estimated space requirements and also preferred hours of operation. This information has been fed into the development of both the business case and draft operational plan.
- 6.3.3. Since November 2021, there have been a number of stakeholder meetings related to the development of the traffic management plan, including:
 - Disability Equity Partnership (DEP) 06/12/2021, 24/01/2022, 31/01/2022, 14/02/2022
 - Accessible City Transport Users Partnership (ACTUP) 09/12/2021, 13/01/2022, 10/02/2022
 - CCMP Public Transport Forum 19/01/2022

In addition, SYSTRA, who are contracted to deliver the traffic management plan, have undertaken direct stakeholder engagement with First Bus, Stagecoach, Taxi Operators/Drivers and Cycle groups.

- 6.3.4. As agreed with the Disability Equity Partnership, ongoing weekly meetings are taking place with their City Centre working group to discuss both street design and traffic management issues as they emerge and thereby inform design development.
- 6.3.5. In addition, senior officers undertook a detailed visit to various city centre sites on 21 February 2022 with members of DEP to further understand issues and ensure that they may be addressed. Feedback from this visit will be incorporated in emerging design solutions and there are immediate measures that can be introduced. These include accessible parking (as noted in 5.3.5. above) and introducing temporary accessibility ramps to make the south side of Union Street Central more accessible. These should be located opposite dropped kerb locations that already exist on the north side of the street.
- 6.3.6. Various other key stakeholders, including the Community Council Forum, Bus Partnership, Cycle groups and the overarching ACTUP group are also actively engaged throughout in order to inform design work, and plans to continue engagement with children and young people are being shaped in line with the Council commitment to becoming a Child Friendly City. Recent

feedback from attendees at stakeholder events has been positive, with an attendee of the Cycle group contacting Council officers to compliment the team on an impressive presentation which they felt was clearly explained.

7. JOINT INTEGRATED MORTUARY and QUEEN STREET

- 7.1 Relocation of the Council's Queen Street Mortuary is a key component of land assembly necessary to enable the Queen Street redevelopment programme to be delivered. The existing public mortuary at Poultry Market Lane is outdated and does not meet modern service expectations or provide an appropriate visiting experience for bereaved relatives.
- 7.2 In addition, the NHS Grampian mortuary located at the Foresterhill campus is also in poor physical condition. Both facilities have a range of issues in terms of compliance with statutory standards including the most recent Health planning notes, space utilisation and functional suitability. The ability to upgrade the existing facilities is also significantly limited due to space constraints in their respective locations.
- 7.3 The Full Business Case for the Joint Integrated Mortuary developed in partnership with NHS Grampian was completed last year. Planning consent has been granted for the new facility in Aberdeen Royal Infirmary grounds at Foresterhill.
- 7.4 Officers were instructed to seek funding options for the delivery of the proposed Joint Integrated Mortuary and have subsequently secured an £18 million contribution to capital costs from the Scottish Government's Health and Justice Directorates.
- 7.5 That contribution is conditional on developing a net zero design solution for the proposed building, feasibility for which has now been factored into project costs, raising the estimated cost of £19,966,725 by £2 million. Costs require to be re-priced to reflect market changes since summer last year, so it is recommended that a 20% optimism bias be included in the overall construction costs for the time being. This would result in a total estimated capital cost of £25,966,725 including that optimism bias.
- 7.6 Under the Public Health (Scotland) Act 2008, Local Authorities and NHS Boards have a duty to co-operate to provide mortuary facilities. This provision includes a repository for post-mortem examination facilities. Mortuary provision may be located within an NHS or Local Authority building or provided by a third party.

Each Local Authority must provide or ensure the provision of premises and facilities:

- For the reception and temporary storage of the bodies of persons who die in the authority's area; and
- For the post-mortem examination of such bodies, as it considers appropriate.

- 7.7 Should the Council decide not to proceed with the project, it should be noted that an early options appraisal has been undertaken to determine costs for the Council to provide its own mortuary facility, with an estimated cost in excess of £5 million, albeit at a significantly reduced capacity and without the benefits of the partnership approach evident in the Joint Integrated Mortuary. There would necessarily follow a detailed design and consenting phase which would delay vacation of the current Queen Street mortuary.
- 7.8 Based on this updated cost estimate the Council capital contribution would be £4.423 million. It is anticipated that the remaining funding gap will be met by other partners. These cost estimates have been passed to them and we anticipate getting confirmation from them that they are in agreement to contribute and allow the project to proceed.
- 7.9 These project costs will therefore be included within the budget report to be presented to Council on 7 March 2022.
- 7.10 The Council is scheduled to take ownership of the former Police Scotland Headquarters in Queen Street on 28 February 2022 and is due to commence a programme of investigation, asbestos removal, service separation and soft strip over the course of the next nine months. The existing mortuary will remain operational during this time.
- 7.11 Work is also progressing with the market analysis and development brief in preparation for a development solution as instructed by the November 2021 City Growth and Resources Committee. Officers are also progressing an options appraisal with the Scottish Courts and Tribunal Services, with the results of all reported to Council in June 2022.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 The Council Budget meeting on 10 March 2021 outlined a funding commitment totalling £150M from the General Fund Capital Programme over financial years 2021/22 to 2025/26 to ensure the Council transforms the City Centre and the Beach area.
- 8.2 The Council will continue to facilitate the next phase of design works with Hub North Scotland Limited and the supply chain of current contractors who will undertake works relating to two or more workstreams allowing lower cost.
- 8.3 Belmont Street outdoor trading option 3 is estimated to cost £1,545,200 and, if approved, would be expected to be delivered in financial year 2022/23. It is recommended that £1.6 million be allocated from the City Centre budget to deliver this project.
- 8.4 **Appendix H** CCMP Financial Tracker provides an update on the total budget approvals to date in relation to project delivery.
- 8.5 The Joint Integrated Mortuary project has secured an £18 million contribution from Scottish Government. **Appendix E** (exempt) illustrates a summary of the funding proposals for the new facility with the Council's share expected

to be in the order of £4.423 million. It should be noted that this includes a 20% optimism bias allocation. The Chief Executive has written to the other councils to inform them of the funding structure and invited capital contributions.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Any work that is recommended to a property not owned by the Council will require the owner's consent before it can commence. The Council has some powers in relation to defective buildings under the Building (Scotland) Act 2003 but these powers are to be used as a last resort. The recommended approach is through effective dialogue with building owners first.

10. MANAGEMENT OF RISK

Category	Risk	Low (L) Medium (M)	Mitigation
		High (H)	
Strategic Risk	Risks inherent in not addressing the changing circumstances in the City Centre will have a significant effect on the delivery of our City and Regional economic strategies.	M	Continue to progress with revised Masterplan objectives, as agreed by CG&R Committee in August 2021.
Compliance	Statutory consents may have an impact on cost and programme	L	Continue to monitor throughout the programme.
	Building owners not consenting/co-operating with cleaning up Union Street buildings.	M	Engage with owners, develop streamlined programme and determine financial models
	Existing mortuary facilities across the city risk non-compliance	Н	Joint Integrated facility will be fully compliant
Operational	Resource capacity for our staff involved in the project works.	Н	Hub North Scotland provide project management and

			development
	Note the potential conflict between streetscape works	Н	capacity. Continued
	generally, Union Street		programme
	Central specifically and the		monitoring
	impact on events in the city		and potential
	centre.		re-routing
			during
			construction
			works
	Risks in supply chain,	Н	Mitigate
	contractors and materials,		through Hub
	utilities.		North
			Scotland and
			Council
			procurement frameworks
Financial	Cost impact across the	Н	Work with Hub
i ilialiolai	programme in light of	11	North
	inflation in the construction		Scotland to
	sector		seek best
			value from
			supply chain.
Reputational	Not proceeding with the	M	Taking
	recommendations could		appropriate
	have significant reputational		action in the
	damage for the Council as a		short term will
	"place leader".		assist in
			building
			confidence in
Environment	Environment and climate	M	the city. Any risks will
/Climate	implications may potentially	IVI	take into
	be in danger of being		account the
	undermined in favour of		Council's own
	short-term economic gains		Net Zero
			targets.

11. OUTCOMES

	Impact of Report
Aberdeen City Council	Supports the delivery of Economy Policy
Policy Statement	Statement 4 – Increase city centre footfall
	through delivery of the City Centre Masterplan
	1 Continue to maximise community benefit
	from major developments.

Aberdeen City Local Outcome Improvement Plan	
Prosperous Economy	Supports Outcome 1 10% increase in
Stretch Outcomes	employment across priority and volume growth
	sectors by 2026
Prosperous People	Supports Outcome 7 Child Friendly City which
Stretch Outcomes	supports all children to prosper and engage
	actively with their communities by 2026
Prosperous Place Stretch	Supports Outcome 14 Addressing climate
Outcomes	change by reducing Aberdeen's carbon
	emissions by 42.5% by 2026 and adapting to
	the impacts of our changing climate Supports
	Outcome 15 38% of people walking and 5% of
	people cycling as main mode of travel by 2026
Regional and City	The report supports the priorities in the Regional
Strategies	Economic Strategy (RES) investment in
	infrastructure, regenerating our city centre,
	unlock development potential, improve the
	deployment of low carbon transport, to enable
	Aberdeen to realise development opportunities
	in the City Centre Masterplan

12. IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

Assessment	Outcome
Equalities Assessment	Neutral Impact
Data Protection Impact Assessment	DPIA Screening Questions completed. Neither a brief DPIA or full DPIA is required at this stage.

13. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- Aberdeen City Centre Masterplan https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/strategy-performance-andstatistics/city-centre-masterplan
- Report to City Growth and Resources 11 May 2021
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5 APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: Union Street Visual Building Condition Survey (Report) **APPENDIX B:** Belmont Street Quarter Café Culture (Full Business Case) Belmont Street Quarter Draft Operational Plan **APPENDIX C:** Public realm improvements from Aberdeen Market to Guild APPENDIX D: Street (Visioning Document) **APPENDIX E:** Joint Integrated Mortuary Funding Model (Exempt) Aberdeen - Availability & Ownership Goad APPENDIX F: APPENDIX G: Union Street Vacant Retail Update report (Exempt) CCMP Financial Update (Exempt) APPENDIX H:

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