

Decision Title:

Connect to Work Programme .

Is this decision Key or Non-key?

Non-key

If the decision is Key, has the decision been published on the Forward Plan?

Not applicable

Is this decision subject to Call-in?

No

Decision:

Option 1: Non-confidential decision:

To approve the commissioning approach for the Connect to Work Programme, as outlined in the report, and:

- the related procurement specification (appendix 1) for the IPS intervention
- the proposed grant allocations to Local Authorities for the LSE intervention as detailed in section 2.8, subject to completion of delivery plans and final approval in line with the Single Assurance Framework.

Delegation:

Cabinet at its meeting held on 26 November 2024 (Minute number C48/11/24)

- a) Authorised the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Director of Finance and relevant Cabinet Member, to approve the commissioning approach set out in 3.2 of the report, including the Delivery Plan and Grant Cost Register.
- b) Authorised the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Finance and Investment Board, to approve project applications and award contracts brought forward through the approved Delivery Plan. Project approvals should be made with reference to fit with the North East CA Connect to Work Delivery Plan, align with North East CA Assurance principles, and demonstrate value for money and deliverability.

Consultation:

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| Cabinet Member: | Yes |
| Monitoring Officer: | Yes |
| Director of Finance and Investment: | Yes |

Name and Title of the Decision-Maker:

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Signature (Decision-Maker)

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Date of signing 14/03/2025