

# **STAR JOINT COMMITTEE**

**21<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

## **PRESENT**

Councillors: Ross (in the Chair), Ali (Vice Chair), Allan, North.

### In attendance

Sara Saleh	Deputy Chief Executive, Trafford Council
Lorraine Cox	Director, STAR Procurement
Nichola Cooke	Assistant Director, STAR Procurement
Susan Hedges	Assistant Director, Legal & Governance Rochdale Council
Michael Cullen	Corporate Director, Stockport Council
Caroline Myers	Solicitor, Trafford Council
Stephanie Ferraioli	Governance Officer, Trafford Council

## **1. APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was received from Steven Boyle and Elizabeth McKenna.

## **2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest regarding the business listed on the agenda for the meeting.

## **3. MINUTES**

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022 be noted as a true record.

## **4. Q2 5 STAR PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT**

The Assistant Director for Development for STAR Procurement presented the Q2 5 STAR Performance Management Report, informing members that the current efficiencies target is £5.2 million and currently achieving £4.8 million. The target for the local spend is 50% and currently at 43.8% on an upward trajectory from Q1.

The Assistant Director explained that a review on social value data has been carried out around data accuracy. This review was undertaken to ensure the contractual offer secured was accurate and so that we can start reporting on the delivery of secured social value from April 2023.

STAR are currently undertaking a comprehensive review of performance measures for the next financial year, and will update at the next meeting.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the report be noted.
- 2) That an update on performance measures for next financial year be presented at the meeting in March.

## **5. Q2 CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT UPDATE**

The Assistant Director for Development for STAR Procurement informed that the Continuous Improvement group meets regularly on items including the progression to the new Procurement Bill. The new Procurement Bill is currently going through Parliament.

The Community Impact Fund (CIF) which was set up from April 2022, now has £5000 in it for each authority and each partner organisation is deciding how this will be spent in line with providing community support particularly during this economic crisis.

For the 2022/23 income plan, we are exploring commission opportunities with several different organisations. More information will be available at next meeting.

STAR continues to work with Stockport Council on data performance management support which is working very well.

The Chair stated that other local authorities have been stung by the energy contracts in recent months and asked what has been learnt from this. He was informed that STAR has been monitoring this and has been on national and regional working groups on this issue. . Key lesson learnt is to continue to work together, and monitor developments before making decisions on next steps.

Councillor North asked if it were possible to receive a note on the Community Impact Fund.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That a note on Community Fund be provided at future meetings.
- 2) That the report be noted.

## **6. URGENT BUSINESS (IF ANY)**

There was no urgent business to be discussed.

## **7. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED – That the date of the next meeting be noted as 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

## **8. EXCLUSION RESOLUTION**

RESOLVED - That the public be excluded from this meeting during consideration of the remaining items on the agenda, because of disclosure of "exempt information" which falls within category 3 of the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, as amended by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, and specified on the agenda item or report relating to each such item respectively

## **9. Q2 BUDGET UPDATE AND GROWTH**

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

## **10. STAR GROWTH BUSINESS CASE**

RESOLVED – That the report be noted and growth approved.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Chair also informed the group that given the results of the local By-Election and his appointment to Leader of the Council, he was stepping down from the role of Chair of the Joint Committee and that a new Chair will need appointing at next meeting.

Meeting ends: 11. 30 am