

APPENDIX A – Economy & Culture Scrutiny Committee Correspondence Schedule, as at 3 May 2018

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28 March 2018	Cllr Huw Thomas	Bus Station	<p>Public Facing Letter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members are supportive of the recommendations to Cabinet and wish to commend all those who have worked to deliver the bus station and associated developments; Members are particularly pleased that office space is retained in the revised scheme. • Given the public interest in the delivery of a bus station, Members recommend that a communication plan be put in place to ensure the public are properly informed about the work taking place, the various phases of the work and the timescales involved. The delivery of the bus station is a significant project for Cardiff and the region, and it is important 		Response Awaited

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			<p>residents, commuters, businesses and visitors are kept informed.</p> <p>Members wish to receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notification of the operator model to be used at Cardiff Central Bus Station, with the opportunity to carry out further scrutiny of the impact of this model. - Clarification of the possible sites included in the feasibility study for the location of the north-side cycle hub, the timeline for this study to be completed and the decision-taking route that will be used to determine which site is chosen. <p>Members expect this matter to be subject to timely pre-decision scrutiny, to enable wider views to be ascertained to inform the scrutiny.</p>		

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An updated floor plan for the bus station and updated plans for the traffic flows, illustrating proposed routes for pedestrians, cyclists, buses, coaches, taxis and cars. 		
13 April 2018	Cllr Goodway & Cllr Thorne	Targeted Regeneration Initiative Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members recognise that the direction from Welsh Government is to foster more regional working across a wider spectrum of local authority work. With this in mind, Members believe it would be prudent to explore the feasibility of establishing governance arrangements that reflect this; this would be preferable to more one-off governance mechanisms. - In the meantime, Members note that reports for decision will be brought to all ten local authorities; in the response to 	1 May 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>The observations of the Committee about regional working, community engagement and integration with other interventions are helpful, and will be taken on board as work on the programme progresses.</i> - <i>this will depend on the content of the actual report.. we currently anticipate bringing forward a report that only relates to approval of a proposed regional regeneration strategy in</i>

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			<p>this letter, I would like clarification as to whether these reports will go to Cabinet or Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members.. are very aware of the need to manage expectations, to avoid disillusionment in communities if bids are not successful. Members are pleased to hear that officers recognise this and that there will be on-going dialogue with Welsh Government, regionally and with affected communities - Members are also pleased to hear officers acknowledgment of the need to involve ward councillors at the outset, so that their input is included in the ideas generation phase; we look forward to this taking place for South Riverside initially and then for the other areas as these come forward. 		<p><i>relation to TRI and does not raise any financial implications outside of the approved budget or any increase in the delegation to other governance arrangements. Given this, the report would be presented to Cabinet'</i></p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members note the issues raised by Councillor Goodway regarding the need for inclusive growth, avoiding the mistakes of previous regeneration projects, by proactively working to ensure local communities benefit from regeneration and that they are not ultimately driven out by gentrification. - Members are particularly pleased to note the emphasis on addressing the need for <i>'centrally located, cost competitive business starter units offering a mix of uses and providing flexible easy-in easy-out lease terms.'</i> Members were also pleased to hear Councillor Thorne's answer that she is supportive of exploring the possibility of a complementary scheme for converting the empty properties above shops into 		

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			<p>affordable housing. Finally, as discussed at the meeting, Members recommend that the boundaries of the South Riverside project be clarified.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members are pleased that Cardiff's proposals include projects to improve the economic outcomes of young people and provide into work advice and training, increasing employability. - Members recognise it is also important to address the health and wellbeing barriers to economic activity. As such, Members support the community hubs' proposals set out in the Cabinet report. - Members note that the above projects rely on successful proposals being awarded funding and that this is a competitive process. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Part of the initial feasibility stage will involve defining project boundaries in more detail.'</i>

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13 April 2018	Cllr Bradbury	Local Sports Plan 2018-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members are impressed with the breadth and depth of the Local Sports Plan 2018/19 and can see how it focuses on addressing the priority objectives and key considerations set out in our Joint Venture agreement with Cardiff Metropolitan University regarding the delivery of sports services in Cardiff. - The Plan demonstrates how small amounts of funding, coupled with dedicated staff and volunteer provision, can make a huge difference in the delivery of sports across Cardiff. – - Members note that Sports Cardiff will provide quarterly reports, to Cardiff Council, illustrating the delivery of the Local Sports Plan, using both 		No response required

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			<p>quantitative and qualitative measures to demonstrate its impact.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members note and agree with your comments regarding the need to boost grassroots participation ... it is important to ensure that sports facilities based within schools remain accessible and affordable to their local communities. - Members welcome the contributions outlined in the Local Sports Plan re supporting Major Events in Cardiff - Members are pleased to note that Cardiff Council has recently received confirmation that we will receive the funding that was bid for, as set out in the Local Sports Plan 2018/19. - Members note the comments made by witnesses regarding the year on year decrease in funding and that, if this 		

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			<p>continues, there will come a time when activities will reduce, as all efficiency savings/ contributions in kind will have been maximised.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We discussed the need for sports governing bodies and Sport Wales to reach out to communities, particularly those with a low participation rate, and to shift their focus from elite sports towards grassroots participation. Members recognise the comments made about the reduction in resources at bodies such as Sport Wales, which means they are more reliant on being able to tap into existing community-based projects. - Finally, Members are pleased that the Joint Venture with Cardiff Metropolitan is paying dividends in terms of enabling sports provision in Cardiff, signposting 		

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			participants to local clubs and assisting those clubs to develop long term, sustainable futures.		