CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 6.45 PM

PRESENT: The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Bowman), Councillors Alcroft, Allison, Mrs Atkinson,

Bainbridge, Betton, Birks, Bomford, Brown, Christian, Collier, Dr Davison,

Denholm, Ellis, Ms Ellis-Williams, Mrs Finlayson, Mrs Glendinning, Glover, Higgs, Mrs Mallinson, Mallinson J, Mrs McKerrell, McNulty, Meller, Mitchelson, Morton, Nedved, Patrick, Robson, Shepherd, Miss Sherriff, Southward, Tarbitt, Tinnion and

Miss Whalen.

ALSO

PRESENT: Town Clerk and Chief Executive

Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services

Corporate Director of Economic Development

C.37/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Paton and Councillor Dr Tickner.

C.38/21 PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED – That the Agenda be agreed as circulated.

C.39/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest affecting the business to be transacted at the meeting.

C.40/21 ANNOUNCEMENTS

(i) The Mayor

There were no announcements from the Mayor.

(ii) The Leader of the Council

There were no announcements from the Leader.

(iii) Members of the Executive

There were no announcements from Members of the Executive.

(iv) Town Clerk and Chief Executive

There were no announcements from the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

C.41/21 COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications or items of business brought forward by the Mayor as a matter of urgency to be dealt with at the meeting.

C.42/21 PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED – That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Public and Press were excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph numbers (as indicated in brackets against the minutes) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the 1972 Local Government Act.

C.43/21 PROPOSALS FROM THE EXECUTIVE IN RELATION TO THE COUNCIL'S BUDGET AND POLICY FRAMEWORK

BORDERLANDS INCLUSIVE GROWTH DEAL – FINAL DEAL AGREEMENT (Public and Press excluded by virtue of Paragraph 3)

Pursuant to Minute EX.159/20 and EX.28/21, consideration was given to recommendations from the Executive concerning the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal – Final Deal Agreement. A copy of private report ED.07/21 and relevant minute extracts had been circulated.

In moving the recommendations as set out in the report Councillor Mallinson (J) highlighted the extraordinary work which had been undertaken by Officers and Members from the five partner authorities to achieve the final Deal. The projects included in the Deal would positively impact the whole Borderlands Region and bring in additional funding to encourage growth and boost the economy.

A number of Members spoke in support of the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal, outlining the significant benefits to the city, the region and partner relationships. In addition the work undertaken by the previous administration in establishing the Growth Deal was also recognised.

Councillor Ellis also gave his support to the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal and the projects which would benefit the future growth of the city, he seconded the recommendations.

A vote was taken, and it was unanimously RESOLVED – That Carlisle City Council

- 1) enter the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal Agreement between UK and Scottish Governments and the Borderlands Partnership consisting of Carlisle City Council, Cumbria County Council, Dumfries and Galloway Council, Northumberland Council and Scottish Borders Council, subject to the terms of the agreement being finalised; and
- 2) delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Economic Development following consultation with the Leader of the Council, Portfolio Holder for Economy, Enterprise and Housing, Corporate Director of Finance & Resources and Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services to:
 - a. Agree the final terms of the Deal Agreement in line with the draft version attached at Appendix 1.
 - b. Approve the associated Deal documentation, specifically the Financial Plan and the Implementation Plan (Appendix 2 and 3 of ED.07/21 respectively).