

AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY

17 DECEMBER 2013

REPORT OF CORPORATE MANAGEMENT TEAM

CORPORATE & SOCIAL INCLUSION SELECT COMMITTEE REVIEW OF NORTH EAST PROCUREMENT ORGANISATION REPORT

SUMMARY

Executive Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the Corporate and Social Inclusion Select Committee's comments following the external independent review of the North East Procurement Organisation, attached at **Appendix 1**.

RECOMMENDATION

That Executive Scrutiny Committee note the report.

DETAIL

1. The report presents the comments of Corporate & Social Inclusion Select Committee's following an external independent review of North East Procurement Organisation. The Select Committee endorses the decision made by Leaders and Mayors and the NEPO Joint Committee following the independent review to create a smaller, re-focused NEPO that reports through ANEC.
2. The Select Committee's comments will be presented to Cabinet on 16 January 2014.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3. The establishment of a smaller reformed NEPO will achieve a reduction of the Council's fee.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4. Any Authority wishing to leave NEPO needs to give 12 months' notice.

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