



Border to Coast Joint Committee

Date of Meeting: 21st March 2023

Report Title: Joint Committee Budget (for decision)

Report Sponsor: Nick Orton, Chair Officer Operations Group

1.0 Recommendation

1.1 The Joint Committee is asked to

- Note the current budget position for 2022/23
- Agree a budget for 2023/24 of £40,000

2.0 2022/23 Joint Committee Budget

2.1 At the Joint Committee meeting in March 2022 a budget of £40,000 was approved for 2022/23. This is consistent with the budget in previous years.

2.2 The Budget is intended to cover costs incurred by the Joint Committee and the partner funds, including the secretarial services to convene and run meetings, and for collective advice and support (internal from partner funds and external sources) which may be required from time to time by all partner funds.

2.3 It is also considered reasonable that this budget is used to cover travel costs and expenses for any members or officers who are attending meetings to represent all partner funds. This will include but will not be limited to meetings with the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC). This budget will not be used where members and officers are attending meetings to represent their own funds including Joint Committee meetings and Officer Operations Group Meetings.

2.4 The budget will also be used to cover travel expenses for scheme member representatives appointed as non-voting members to the Joint Committee. This is because they will be deemed to be representing the scheme members from all partner funds.

2.5 In line with the cost sharing principles these costs will be shared equally between the partner funds.

2.6 As the time of writing total expenditure incurred for the year to date against this budget was £44,415. This largely relates to external legal costs for the review

of the Border to Coast Governance documentation and the review of the Global Property legal documentation.

2.7 Other expenditure incurred in the current year, includes:

- Secretariat support to the Joint Committee, from South Yorkshire Pensions Authority.
- Travel and subsistence for the scheme member representatives on the Joint Committee.

3.0 Proposed Budget for 2023/24

3.1 It is proposed that the budget for 2023/24 should be retained at £40,000.

4.0 Conclusion

4.1 The current expenditure is within the Joint Committee Budget.

4.2 It is proposed that the budget for 2023/24 is retained at the current level of £40,000.

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Further Information and Background Documents:

N/A