Report of **SPMG Subgroup Chair** in relation to the meeting of **29th November 2021**

**For:** (I) Information (R) Ratification (D) Discussion and decision

**Key agenda items discussed:**

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| * Appointment of SPMG Vice-Chair: Emma Catterall’s appointment was ratified at Board on 21/10/21
* Stoke on Trent & Staffordshire Growth Hub Update Nov 2021 v2. Appendix a.
* Getting Building Fund (GBF)
	+ GBF Q2 progress and outputs report - Appendix b **(on SSLEP website only).**
* Local Growth Deal (LGD)
	+ LGF Q2 progress and outputs report – Appendix c. **(on SSLEP website only).**
* City Deal
	+ Q2 update report – Appendix d. **(on SSLEP website only).**
* CRF Bid: Net Zero Accelerators – bid unsuccessful
* Ceramic Valley Enterprise Zone: Chatterley Valley West **confidential item**
	+ 3 x Appendices: e, f, g.
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**Notable changes, successes or risks**

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| * **Successes**:
	+ **LGF**
		- outputs are set to increase as development of some of the older infrastructure schemes gets underway and more housing developers start on site and commercial premises are constructed and/or let.
		- Stafford Western Access Route (LGF) fully opened on 19th November.
	+ **GBF**
		- 3 schemes (SEF C, F and H) have completed, and outputs will be reported in September 2022.
		- A further 3 schemes have fully spent their GBF grant allocation
		- 13 of the 14 schemes are now contracted
* **Risks**:
	+ LGD risk: mitigation regarding this key risk is being progressed by the sub-group given Delegated Authority by SSLEP Board.
	+ GBF contingency schemes – some delays in contracting the last scheme; the Delegated Authority sub-group is addressing this.
	+ Rising supplier costs and supply delays are impacting on projects.
	+ Liquidation of contractors/sub-contractors has impacted on two GBF schemes and one LGF scheme, resulting in delays/increased costs.
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**Decisions and/or Recommendations**

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| 1. Request Board ratification of the SPMG recommendation to support the Ceramic Valley Enterprise Zone – Chatterley Valley West proposal.
2. Raise the request at Board for a volunteer to accept a position as a third District member at SPMG.
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**Appdx a.** Stoke on Trent Staffordshire Growth Hub Update Nov 2021 v2

**Appdx b.** GBF Progress dashboard Q2 2021 v1 **(on SSLEP website only).**

**Appdx c.** LGD Progress dashboard Q2 2021-22 v1 **(on SSLEP website only).**

**Appdx d.** City Deal update Q2 2021-22 **(on SSLEP website only).**

**Appendices e, f, g:** **\*\*\*confidential papers\*\*\***CVEZ Chatterley Valley West

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