

Report to: Transport Committee

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Subject: **Associated British Ports presentation**

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1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 Daffyd Williams from Associated British Ports will be attending Transport Committee to update Members on the role and operations of the organisation.

2. Information

Background

- 2.1 Associated British Ports (ABP) is the UK's leading port operator and operates across 21 ports. ABP handles around 25% of the nation's seaborne trade, supporting over 115,000 jobs and contributing £7.5 billion to the economy every year. ABP also operates one of the UK's busiest rail terminals at Hams Hall in the Midlands.
- 2.2 Councillor Groves visited ABP's Hull operations on 19 June 2019 and has invited Daffyd Williams, Head of Communications & Corporate Affairs – Humber, to present information on current and future port operations.
- 2.3 The presentation complements work on the Leeds inland port project – this scheme aims to deliver a new wharf facility at Stourton to enable

transportation on non-perishable freight from the Humber estuary to Leeds. The inland port would help reduce congestion on the roads and generate carbon savings.

- 2.4 The presentation will discuss rail freight opportunities which could be significant to carbon savings targets as it is estimated that around 4000 vehicles each could be taken off the M62 if rail freight opportunities in West Yorkshire are maximised.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

5. Staffing Implications

- 5.1 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

6. External Consultees

- 6.1 No external consultations have been undertaken by the Combined Authority.

7. Recommendations

- 7.1 That Transport Committee notes the presentation and discusses the implications for the City Region.

8. Background Documents

- 8.1 There are no background documents referenced in this report.

9. Appendices

- 9.1 None.