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**Report to:** Economy Scrutiny Committee

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**Subject:** **LEP Board update**

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## **1. Purpose of this Report**

- 1.1 To provide the Economy Scrutiny Committee with an update on the government's changes to LEPs (local enterprise partnerships) and the Combined Authority's plans to strengthen private sector engagement and partnerships as a result of national policy changes.

## **2. Information**

- 2.1. This report includes the report that was submitted to the Combined Authority meeting on 7 September outlining the changes to LEPs and the Combined Authority's plans.

- 2.2 See attached appendices:

1. Appendix 1 – CA Report (7.9.23) “Strengthening Private Sector Engagement”
2. Appendix 2 – Letter from Minister outlining changes to LEPS (dated 4.8.23)

## **3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications**

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

## **4. Inclusive Growth Implications**

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

## **5. Equality and Diversity Implications**

- 5.1. There are no equality and diversity implications directly arising from this report.

**6. Financial Implications**

6.1. There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

**7. Legal Implications**

7.1. There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

**8. Staffing Implications**

8.1. There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

**9. External Consultees**

9.1. No external consultations have been undertaken.

**10. Recommendations**

10.1. To note and discuss the appended reports.

**11. Background Documents**

None.

**12. Appendices**

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