

Minute of Meeting Scotland Excel Chief Executive Officers Management Group

Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday, 19 August 2020	10:00	remote meeting,

Present

Steve Grimmond, Chief Executive (Fife Council); Annemarie O'Donnell, Chief Executive (Glasgow City Council); and Cleland Sneddon, Chief Executive (South Lanarkshire Council).

Chair

In the absence of Sandra Black, Chair, Annemarie O'Donnell presided.

In Attendance

J Welsh, Director, H Carr Head of Strategic Procurement, S Brannagan, Head of Customer and Business Services, L Muir, Senior Procurement Specialist, G Mooney, Category Analyst, S Christie, Lead Account Manager and L Richard, Strategic Procurement Manager (all Scotland Excel); and K Graham, Head of Corporate Governance (Clerk); C MacDonald, Senior Committee Services Officer and T Slater, Senior Committee Services Officer (all Renfrewshire Council).

Apologies

Margo Williamson, Chief Executive (Angus Council); Angela Scott, Chief Executive (Aberdeen City Council); and Sandra Black, Chief Executive (Renfrewshire Council).

Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

1 Minute

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Chief Executive Officers Management Group (CEOMG) held on 6 May 2020.

DECIDED: That the Minute be approved.

2 Chief Executive's Update Report

There was submitted a report by the Director of Scotland Excel providing an update on key developments within Scotland Excel since the meeting of the Group held on 6 May 2019.

The report provided information in relation to Covid-19 recovery planning; digital office update; Scottish Government Funded projects; Care Services; the Scotland Excel Academy; new build housing; together with updates on the contract plan and contracts approved since February 2020, an update on stakeholder meetings and new associate members.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

3 Financial Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on Scotland Excel

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive of Scotland Excel relative to the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the impact on local government services and the wider economy

The report intimated that Scotland Excel faced significant financial challenges during financial year 2020/21 and in subsequent years. The report identified the specific financial challenges facing Scotland Excel in this financial year and going forward; detailed the actions which had already been taken and highlighted the planned measures the organisation were putting in place to mitigate the challenges.

DECIDED: That the contents of the report be noted.

4 Care Update

H Carr, Head of Strategic Procurement gave a presentation which updated the Group on the current landscape for social care providers, social care staff and the social care framework. The presentation highlighted adult care developments; the national care home contract; early years and childcare sustainable rates; children's residential/secure care; fostering and continuing care; and the rising cost of care.

DECIDED: That the presentation and update be noted.

5 Brexit

L Richard, Strategic Procurement Manager gave a presentation in relation to Brexit and the landscape post Covid-19.

The presentation gave a brief overview of the current situation; advised what was required to be agreed during the transition; detailed the difficulties assessing the economic impact of Coronavirus and Brexit; outlined a commodity impact post Covid-

19 and indicated Scotland Excel's actions and recommendations.

L Richard asked members to keep Scotland Excel informed of any areas of change that would likely have an impact, especially the supply chain.

DECIDED: That the presentation be noted.

6 SXL Service Offering Post Covid-19

S Brannagan, Head of Customer and Business Services gave a presentation in relation to SXL Service Offering Post Covid-19.

The presentation detailed examples of partners Scotland Excel were already working with; detailed examples of project return on investment; highlighted the framework efficiency review free service; outlined the various services available; and gave a brief overview of the academy services and the accredited training available.

DECIDED: That the presentation be noted.

7 Date of Next Meeting

DECIDED: That it be noted that the next meeting of the CEOMG would be held at 10.00 am on 18 November 2020