

## Report of the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development and Asset Management

### APPLICATION FOR RETROFIT WORKS DEVOLUTION FUND

#### 1. Purpose of Report

To advise Cabinet that an application for grant funding has been made to the East Midlands Devolution Fund managed by Nottingham City Council for energy efficient retrofit works.

#### 2. Recommendation

**Cabinet is asked to NOTE the application for funding from the East Midlands Devolution grant fund and RESOLVE that, subject to the grant award being approved, the scheme to complete retrofit energy efficiency works at Scalby Close, Eastwood be approved. The additional capital cost of £583,500 will be added to the Capital Programme 2023/24 and be fully funded by the capital grant.**

#### 3. Detail

The Council has applied for grant funding of £583,500 from the East Midlands Devolution fund to help carry out retrofit work on thirty-five bungalows at Scalby Close in Eastwood to make them more energy efficient. These works will involve loft insulation, eaves insulation, roof line upgrades, roof covering replacement and thermal upgrade to gable end walls. Works are expected to commence on site upon grant approval in November 2023 and anticipated to be completed by February 2024.

The grant funding application is attached in the appendix.

#### 4. Financial Implications

The comments from the Head of Finance Services were as follows:

A grant application totalling £583,500 has been submitted to the East Midlands Devolution grant fund to enable the retrofit works at Scalby Close in Eastwood. The proposed scheme will only commence upon the successful award of a grant.

The additional capital cost of £583,500 will be added to the approved Capital Programme for 2023/24 and be fully funded by the capital grant.

5. Legal Implications

The comments from the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal Services were as follows:

Whilst there are no direct legal implications arising from this report the taking of such action is lawful under the general power of competence in Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011.

6. Human Resources Implications

Not applicable.

7. Union Comments

Not applicable.

8. Climate Change Implications

36% of the borough's carbon emissions comes from domestic heating and lighting (Source: BEIS. UK local authority and regional estimates of carbon dioxide emissions 2021 – released 2023). Improving the energy efficiency of the thirty-five bungalows on Scalby Close, Eastwood using the East Midlands Retrofit funding will not only help to lower energy bills for the residents but it will help to reduce their carbon footprint as well. This aligns with the Council's Climate Change and Green Futures strategy, which sets out to align to the UK's net zero commitment of 2050 for the borough.

9. Data Protection Compliance Implications

This report does not contain any [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] information and there are no Data Protection issues in relation to this report.

10. Equality Impact Assessment

Not applicable.

11. Background Papers

Nil