

Agenda item No: 14

EAST MIDLANDS IMPROVEMENT AND EFFICIENCY PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING: 16th June 2009

Report of the Director

Capital pot 2008/09

1. Purpose of the report
 - 1.1 To advise the Steering Group that a total of £2.86m from the 08/09 capital pot allocation was awarded to the EM IEP, following a bidding process conducted in February 2009.

2. Background
 - 2.1 At the meeting on 21st May 2009 the EM IEP Officer Steering Group considered the attached report and endorsed the capital pot project noting that further work is required in developing the scope of these projects

3. Recommendations
 - 3.1 The actions taken by the Director to complete the capital pot bidding document by 4th March 2009 be noted.
 - 3.2 The allocation of £2.86m received for capital projects (08/09 funds) as summarised in the report be noted.
 - 3.3 The Board approve the suggested process to prepare an outline bid for capital pot funds for 2009/10, subject to published bidding rules, to be completed by September 2009.
 - 3.4 The Board agree that the anticipated Capital Pot 2009/10 funding be devolved for delivery through the 5 Sub Regional Partnerships,

Chris Allison
Director EM IEP

EAST MIDLANDS IMPROVEMENT AND EFFICIENCY PARTNERSHIP OFFICER STEERING GROUP MEETING: 21 May 2009

Report of the Director

Capital pot 2008/09

1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1 To advise the Steering Group that a total of £2.86m from the 08/09 capital pot allocation was awarded to the EM IEP, following a bidding process conducted in February 2009.

2. Background

- 2.1 In November 2008 it was announced by the LGA that the CLG had made available £115m over three years to support capital efficiency / systems development work for the RIEPs.
- 2.2 Discussions between the relevant parties and the RIEPs were not concluded until mid February 2009, when the bidding process document was received by all RIEPs requesting an end date for returning regional bids of 4th March.
- 2.3 Given that the late notification gave only 7 working days to complete the bid documentation and consult with local authorities and the Sub Regional Partnerships, this process turned out to be a stern challenge and should not be replicated for bidding rounds 09/10 and 10/11. Consultation was by definition weak as ideas had to be scoped by the EM IEP support team and partners with assistance from a number of technology advisors, in a few short days.
- 2.4 The bid vetting team within the CLG then announced at the beginning of April they were allocating additional revenue support funding to support the 9 RIEPs bids, because some contained revenue projects, as did the EM bid. As a consequence the EM IEP capital pot allocation rose from an anticipated £2.2m to £2.86m. The additional funding (£0.66m) has been used in the wider EM IEP 09/10 work programmes.
- 2.5 The bid documents for the Efficiency and Systems Transformation streams were shared with the EM IEP Board after the 4 March. In summary the two sets of projects are as follows;

Efficiency Projects

Project Description	Resources £k
Stimulating the development of the region's local care market place	300
Transforming social care data into information for effective commissioning	300
Improving business processes using the 4ps organisational diagnostic(8 authorities)	400 *
Building regional capacity for research and information	200
Delivering Culture change (6 workshops)	30
Community engagement kitemark (10 kitemarks)	20
Sub Regional partnerships efficiency support programme (programme management x 5)	250 *
Totals	1,500

Systems Transformation Projects

Project description	Resource £k
Development of TelePresence pilot sites	500 *
Web Enabling of the Care Funding Calculator – All regions bid	200 **
An approach to systems innovation in the EM	50
Totals	750

* denotes these projects are suitable to be managed via the sub regional partnerships. A total of £1.15m allocation for these projects will be the subject of further discussions with the SRP managers, to establish the best place for these projects to be enacted.

** denotes this is a national project managed for all RIEPs/ Adult Services authorities via the East Midlands region.

3. Progress and next steps

- 3.1 The capital pot income for 2008/09 is now included in the EM IEP income summary elsewhere on the agenda. The various "Capital " projects feature in the relevant work stream synopses in the work programme 09/10 report also on the agenda.
- 3.2 The rules of engagement for the remaining two years of the capital pot scheme have not been published. However, of the remaining funding allocation of c£80m capital pot it is anticipated that the EM IEP will receive c£2-3m for 2009/10.
- 3.3 The process for developing the Capital Pot Programmes for 2009/10 should, involve the 5 Sub Regional Partnerships and where practicable a cross section of local authorities in the region in a work group context, with the anticipated Capital Pot 2009/10 funding being devolved for delivery through the 5 Sub

Regional Partnerships. It is anticipated this work could be completed in outline by the date of the next Steering Group meeting on 16 September 2009.

4 **Recommendations**

- 4.1 The actions taken by the Director to complete the capital pot bidding document by 4th March 2009 be noted.
- 4.2 The allocation of £2.86m received for capital projects (08/09 funds) as summarised in the report be noted.
- 4.2 The suggested process be approved to prepare an outline bid for capital pot funds for 2009/10, subject to published bidding rules, to be completed by September 2009.
- 4.3 The anticipated Capital Pot 2009/10 funding be devolved for delivery through the 5 Sub Regional Partnerships,

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