

Question: CQ12.01

Cabinet – 22 June 2021

Re: Agenda item 12 – South Bristol Light Industrial Workspace

Question submitted by: Councillor Paul Goggin

The Cabinet report states there are two options for the workspace:

Option 1 - Maintain existing levels of WECA funding and agree a circa 18.5% reduction in floor area delivered through omission of 'Block C', In this instance Block C would be replaced with an external storage compound, which would be available for remaining units to lease.

Option 2 – Increase funding by £538,913k to maintain the full designed floor area.

The paper recommends option two. **Please could the Mayor confirm that option two – the one that maximises economic benefit to south Bristol - is his preferred option, and will he liaise with our new Metro Mayor to convince him of the benefits of option two?**

Answer

- **Yes, and it has been recommended in the paper.**
- **A Change Request covering the uplift in funding required for Option 2 has been submitted for the WECA Committee of 25th June 2021 and is recommended for approval at that meeting.**