



**Growth and Regeneration Scrutiny Commission Action Tracker 2023/2024**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsible Officer / Member</b>	<b>Action taken and date completed</b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> September 23</b>			
<b>12. Temple Quarter Regeneration Programme Update</b>	Ref biodiversity net loss: Officers agreed to report back and confirm which parks and/or greenspaces have been decided upon to create the 10% biodiversity net gain.	Johanna Holmes, Scrutiny Coordinator  Jon James, Head of Service for Natural and Marine Environment	Assessment of the potential sites is still underway and so a decision has not yet been made. Local engagement work will take place on the suggested sites and this will take place once the Parks and Green Spaces Strategy has been adopted.  Continue to follow-up.
<b>27<sup>th</sup> November 23</b>			
<b>7. Public Forum</b>	Officers agreed to provide information about what progress was being made with regards to this year's Transport Levy and any consultation.	Alex Hearn, Director: Economy of Place	The levy was previously fixed at the current level, based on the budgeted amounts for the activities transferring to the Combined Authority (CA) and at the January 2024 WECA Committee the decision was taken to maintain the current levels. While there is no requirement for annual public consultation, the UA's were involved in agreeing the expenditure of supported bus service funding, a process that included public consultation. If Bristol was to reduce its contribution to the Levy (which it is not proposing to do), then at the very least it would of course require consultation through the annual budget setting process.  The CA determines how that money is spent for discretionary elements (the amount spent on concessionary travel is statutory and demand driven). BCC, and the other UAs will have an expectation that this expenditure is appropriately used for the delivery of the transferred activities and work to hold WECA and bus operators to account to meet the needs of our

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			<p>communities. It is not accurate to say that funding is handed over with no questions asked, and of course, some decisions on spend are taken at Committee so by default with the involvement of the Unitary Authorities.</p> <p>Complete.</p>