

# Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



**Nottingham**  
**City Council**

<b>Reference Number:</b>	<b>3823</b>
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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Core Cities Annual Subscription 2019/20</b>
<b>Total Value:</b>	<b>£43,750.00 (Type: Revenue)</b>
<b>Decision Being Taken:</b>	<b>To renew Nottingham's membership of Core Cities UK for 2019/20. This covers the direct operating costs and expenses of the network, and delivery of Core Cities Cabinet's work programme and priorities.</b>
<b>Reasons for the Decision(s)</b>	<b>Membership of Core Cities UK enables Nottingham to work closely with the nine other Core Cities in the UK, plus partnership member Belfast, on areas of mutual benefit, and to engage more effectively with Government and other influential stakeholders to further the Core Cities agenda. In preparation for the UK leaving the European Union, and the ongoing uncertainty of what the arrangements will be, it is vitally important that UK cities continue to work together to further their mutual objectives in areas of common interest, and raise the profile of UK cities internationally. The Core Cities group has regular discussions with the Government on key Nottingham priorities such as economic growth, housing, public sector reform and climate change agendas. As an authority, Nottingham City gains significant influence and a higher profile by being a Core City. Nottingham also gains access to experience, expertise and information from the other Core Cities. This is a renewal of a standing membership and the cost is contained within the corporate budget. The price has remained the same since 2014/15.</b>
<b>Briefing notes documents:</b>	<b>Core Cities invoice 8500593535 19-20.pdf</b>
<b>Other Options Considered:</b>	<b>Not renewing the subscription for 2019/20. This option was rejected as this would mean Nottingham losing its status as a Core City and the concomitant influence and profile that comes with being a member of the group. This is a key period of change for both national and local government with Britain due to leave the European Union, so remaining a member of the Core Cities group continues to be beneficial for Nottingham City.</b>

**Background Papers:** **None**

**Published Works:** **None**

**Affected Wards:** **Citywide**

**Colleague / Councillor Interests:** **None**

**Consultations:** **Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.**

**Crime and Disorder Implications:** **None**

**Equality:** **EIA not required. Reasons: EIA not required. Reasons: This decision does not include proposals for new or changing council policies or functions.**

**Decision Type:** **Officer**

**Executive Decision?** **Yes**

**Scheme of Delegation Reference Number or Other Source of Delegation:** **1**

**Subject to Call In:** **No**  
**The call-in procedure does not apply to the decision because the value of the decision is below the call in threshold.**

**Advice Sought:** **Legal, Finance**

**Legal Advice:** **The proposals set out in this decision raise no significant legal issues and are supported. Advice provided by Malcolm Townroe (Director of Legal and Governance) on 11/10/2019.**

**Finance Advice:** **The is existing base MTFP budget within the Corporate Management cost centre to fully fund this decision therefore no financial issue is expected. Advice provided by Philip Gretton (Finance Analyst) on 05/03/2020.**

**Signatures:**

<b>Ian Curryer (Chief Executive)</b>
<b>SIGNED and Dated: 11/03/2020</b>