**Suggested City Executive Board response to the recommendations of the Scrutiny Committee on the Grant Allocations – Monitoring Report**

**Provided by the Board Member for Culture and Communities**

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| ***Recommendation*** | ***Agreed? (Y / N / In part)*** | ***Comment*** |
| 1. That consideration is given to how to quantify the social value achieved from the different grant programmes for community and voluntary organisations and to the inclusion of a measure of social value in future grant monitoring reports. | Y | This is an aspiration we are working towards, and I am also aware that there are many people working and volunteering in the community sector, and in particular in our community centres, who are keen for us to be able to quantify their work in their neighbourhoods.  We do though need to be very mindful around how much time and resources is expended by our staff which could be spent actually working with and supporting community and voluntary groups. |
| 2. That consideration is given to whether and how the Council could better integrate its grant programmes for community and voluntary organisations with related aspects of service delivery, with a view to focusing resources as effectively as possible. | Y | We will explore how we can best to do this. |