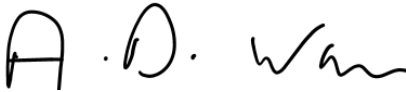


CONSENT TO URGENT DECISION	PART 1 (to be completed by the person seeking consent)
Proposed Decision Maker (please name person or body proposing to take decision, if an officer also state title)	Date for Decision
Leader of the Council	7 December 2021
Title: Community Renewal Fund – Outcome of Bidding Process	
<p>Summary of matter</p> <p>Warwickshire County Council has been awarded £2.7 million from the Community Renewal Fund. The decisions are required for the Council, as Lead Authority for the CRF in Warwickshire, to enter into a Grant Funding Agreement with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and for the Council to enter into funding agreements with the selected Project Deliverers. Approval is also required to enter into all relevant agreements associated with the delivery of the Council’s own Warwickshire Brighter Futures project.</p>	
<p>Proposed Decision</p> <p>That the Leader of the Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approves the County Council entering into a Grant Funding Agreement with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities for funding from the Community Renewal Fund on terms and conditions acceptable to the Strategic Director of Resources. • Authorises the Strategic Director for Communities to negotiate, and enter into, funding agreements with PET-Xi Training Limited and Wise Ability as the selected Project Deliverers on terms and conditions acceptable to the Strategic Director for Resources. • Authorises the Strategic Director for Communities to negotiate, and enter into, all relevant agreements with third parties required to deliver the Council’s Warwickshire Brighter Futures project on terms and conditions acceptable to the Strategic Director for Resources. 	
<p>Reasons for urgency</p> <p>The decision is required under the Council’s urgency procedure as Lead Authorities have been told that the Grant Funding Agreement must be signed and returned to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities within 10 working days from the date of issue. The outcome of the CRF bidding process was announced on 3rd November and the Grant Offer is expected shortly. Successful projects can incur costs (at risk) from the date of the announcement and there is a very short timetable for project delivery (all projects have to be delivered by 30th June 2022).</p>	
Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy	

Framework? <i>[please identify relevant plan/budget provision]</i>	
No	
PART 2 (to be completed by the person giving consent)	
Name	Councillor Adrian Warwick
Office Held	Chair of the Resources and Fire & Rescue Overview and Scrutiny Committee
	
Date consent is given	01/12/2021