TO: POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE 19 March 2020

FROM: MARKETS COMMITTEE 4 March 2020

## MARKETS CONSOLIDATION PROGRAMME GOVERNANCE UPDATE: WORKING PARTY CREATION

The Committee considered a joint report of the Town Clerk and the City Surveyor outlining proposals to establish a dedicated Working Party of the Policy & Resources Committee to advise on options and make decisions on certain practicalities.

The Chairman welcomed the establishment of this group following the cessation of the previous Relocation of the Markets Working Party. The Chairman and Deputy Chairman suggested that given the key input required from the Markets Committee, both the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Markets Committee (or nominated representative) should be appointed to the new Working Party and this suggestion was endorsed by Members. Concerns were also raised in respect of the lack of detail on governance and reporting arrangements for the new working party.

It was moved, seconded, and

**RESOLVED - That** 

- 1. That the report be noted.
- 2. That it be noted that whereas on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020, the Policy & Resources Committee resolved to establish a working party based on the Chairman meetings initiated at the original request of the Markets Committee, this new working party is not something that was discussed with the Markets Committee in advance of the Policy & Resources Committee resolution.

## **Recommendation to Policy & Resources Committee**

3. The Markets Committee is naturally keen to provide input to the work on the Markets Consolidation Programme, and whilst welcoming the inclusion of the Markets' Committee Chairman in the working party, the Markets Committee asks that it be allowed to nominate another member in addition to the Chairman of the Markets Committee, to the working party, to ensure there is always someone with knowledge of the Markets Committee available to participate in any meetings, and to reflect the significant interests of the Markets Committee as the service committee that initiated this programme and will oversee the future market.