

Report to the Greater Birmingham and Solihull Supervisory Board

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requirements of the Games it would be possible to host a Commonwealth Games in 2022.

- 3.3 The outcome of the feasibility was that a compelling case could be made for Birmingham to bid, based on the following:

The strength of existing facilities in Birmingham and across the region, with 95% of facilities already in place.

The city has excellent transportation links by road, rail and air to cope with the scale of the event.

There is site availability to deliver the Games village to accommodate the athletes and although it is challenging it can be delivered within the time scale.

There is an excellent broader offering encompassing both business and culture.

In addition:

The hosting of a multi-sport event would help to accelerate the socio-economic

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 As a result the estimated cost to prepare the bid is £1m and is proposed to be funded from a regional consortium of public and private bodies.

These costs are to fund consultancy to provide the technical advice, expertise and capacity to demonstrate that all the facilities proposed can meet the necessary specification and overlays requiy

support the growth of the city and the wider region and support the delivery of the key priorities of the GBSLEP. The Supervisory