

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION (THE DECISIONS LIST)

Date:	Decision Maker:	Subject to Call-in*
24 July 2026	Cabinet	Yes

SUBJECT OF DECISION:

Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Corporate Finance & Governance Portfolio Holder - A.1 - Overview of the Financial Outturn 2025/26 and Proposed Allocation of the General Fund Variance for the Year and other In-Year Budget Adjustments 2026/27

Decision:

RESOLVED that -

- (a) the high level Financial Outturn Position, as set out in this report (A.1) and the favourable General Fund Revenue variance of £3.389m for the year, which is currently held within the Corporate Investment Fund (Revenue) via the Revenue Commitments Reserve, be noted;
- (b) the use of the General Fund Outturn for the year of £3.389m along with the other budget adjustments, as set out in Appendix A to report A.1, be approved;
- (c) in respect of the additional £0.250m set aside within the existing Contingency budget, the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance and Governance, be authorised to utilise this funding during the year;
- (d) in respect of the additional £1.000m set aside to support general capacity within the Council, the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance and Governance, be authorised to utilise this funding during the year;
- (e) in respect of the additional £0.050m set aside in both 2026/27 and 2027/28 to support the extension to the existing local sports grant schemes, the Corporate Director (Place and Wellbeing), in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Public Realm, be authorised to implement the necessary associated arrangements; and
- (f) the Council's Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Corporate Finance and Governance Portfolio Holder, be authorised to adjust the outturn position for 2025/26 along with any corresponding adjustment to earmarked reserves / Corporate Investment Funds as a direct result of any recommendations made by the Council's External Auditor during the course of their audit activities relating to the Council's 2025/26 accounts.

Reasons for Decision:

To enable the financial outturn position for 2025/26 to be noted and to allocate the overall General Fund favourable outturn variance for 2025/26 along with agreeing a number of proposed budget adjustments in 2026/27 and 2027/28.

Alternative Options Considered:

These are broadly covered in the main body of the Portfolio Holder's report.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

Consultation with Ward Member:

N/A

Contact Officer:

Richard Barrett, Corporate Director (Finance and IT) & Section 151 Officer

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SUBJECT OF DECISION:

Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Corporate Finance and Governance Portfolio Holder
- A.2 - Treasury Management Performance 2025/26

Decision:

RESOLVED that -

- a) the Treasury Management performance position for 2025/26 be noted;
- b) the Prudential and Treasury Indicators for 2025/26 be approved; and
- c) an amendment to the Council's Treasury Management Practices be approved that allows the maximum amount of money that can be invested per money market fund to increase to £6.000m from the current limit of £4.000m.

Reasons for Decision:

To provide timely / key financial information to Members and to demonstrate compliance with the Treasury Management and Prudential Codes.

Alternative Options Considered:

Not applicable given the requirements set out elsewhere in the Portfolio Holder's report.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

Consultation with Ward Member:

N/A.

Contact Officer:

Richard Barrett, Corporate Director (Finance and IT) & Section 151 Officer

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SUBJECT OF DECISION:

Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Economic Growth, Regeneration & Tourism Portfolio Holder - A.3 - Pride in Place Programme Clacton-on-Sea: Capacity Funding, Year 1 Delivery Funding, Memorandum of Understanding and Delegated Authority Arrangements

Decision:

RESOLVED that Cabinet -

- (a) welcomes the endorsement by the UK Government of the locally developed and approved 10 Year Vision and Investment Plan for Clacton as the principal document for delivery of the Pride in Place programme here;
- (b) approves the Year 1 delivery funding programme for the Clacton Pride in Place Programme, as set out in this report and Appendix A, comprising £360,000 capital and £232,000 revenue as approved by the Clacton Town Board at its meeting on 27 March 2026;
- (c) approves:
 - (1) the finalised Memorandum of Understanding between this Council (as Accountable Body) and the Clacton Town Board (MoU 1 TDC/Board MoU) as set out at Appendix B to this report, and authorises the Chief Executive to then sign on behalf of the Council;
 - (2) the Memorandum of Understanding between Tendring District Council (as Accountable Body) and the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MoU 2 TDC/MHCLG MoU) as set out at Appendix C to this report and authorises the Chief Executive to then sign on behalf of the Council. This signature will trigger the release of Year 1 delivery funding;
- (d) delegates authority as follows to give effect to delivery funding decisions of the Clacton Town Board (upon production of an approved Minute from the Board/confirmation of a decision taken by Board Members outside of a meeting) that fall within the approved budgets and is otherwise in accordance with the MoUs applicable to this programme:
 - (1) Capital delivery funding is delegated to the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism to authorise capital expenditure decisions in line with Board resolutions;

- (2) Revenue delivery funding is delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive following consultation with the Council's Section 151 Officer; and
- (e) notes that future year allocations of delivery funding will be reported to Cabinet within the appropriate budget update report and the delegations in (d) above will apply to those funds.

Reasons for Decision:

Given that this Council had obligations as the Accountable Body for the Pride in Place Programme to ensure that public funds were utilised appropriately, that procurement requirements were observed and that openness and transparency requirements were complied with and that approval of the MoU and of the delegation to implement the Board's delivery funding decisions was therefore an essential step in enabling the programme to move into that delivery phase and avoid unacceptable delays in programme delivery whilst not over-ride separate decision making in respect of the individual elements of that overall budget allocation (following a decision by the Clacton Town Board).

Alternative Options Considered:

Not to approve the MoU or the delegation sought in this report has been considered and discounted. Not to approve these would mean that Year 1 delivery funding could not be released, and every individual project funding decision of the Clacton Town Board would require a separate report to Cabinet. This would create significant delays to programme delivery, risk non-compliance with MHCLG requirements and undermine the Board's ability to demonstrate progress to the community.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

Consultation with Ward Member:

None

Contact Officer:

Keith Simmons, Assistant Director (Corporate Policy & Support) & Deputy Monitoring Officer

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SUBJECT OF DECISION:

Cabinet Members' Items - Joint Report of the Economic Growth, Regeneration & Tourism Portfolio Holder and the Portfolio Holder for Arts, Culture & Heritage - A.4 - Ten_14 Clacton Thriving - A Culture-Led Framework for the Town Centre: Approval of Draft Report to Progress to Public Consultation

Decision:

RESOLVED that Cabinet -

- (a) formally approves the Draft Clacton Town Centre Culture-Led Framework (Clacton Thriving), as set out in Appendix A to report A.4 and the accompanying Draft Action Plan, as set out in Appendix B to report A.4, for public consultation for a period of 8 weeks;
- (b) requests that the consultation period commences on 17th August 2026, and authorises the Portfolio Holder for Arts, Culture & Heritage to approve the consultation arrangements, prior to its commencement; and
- (c) notes that the outcome of the consultation will be taken into consideration with the final documents when they are submitted to Cabinet for adoption in due course.

Reasons for Decision:

To support the Council's ambition to bring about economic regeneration, improve quality of life, and address socio-economic issues in Clacton-on-Sea through the preparation of a Culture-Led Framework that advanced the objectives for growth set out in the Council's Local Plan and the Council's Corporate Priorities.

Alternative Options Considered:

- **Do nothing** – this would risk the loss of MHCLG funding and failure to deliver the project;
- **Do not endorse or progress to public consultation** – this would prevent meaningful delivery, including community engagement and ownership of the Culture-Led Framework and Action Plan;
- **Delay endorsement and progression to public consultation** – this could impact the ability to secure adoption prior to LGR and risks the work becoming abortive.

Conflicts of Interest Declared

(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)

None

Consultation with Ward Member:

Yes

Contact Officer:

Lee Heley, Corporate Director (Place and Wellbeing) & Deputy Chief Executive

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SUBJECT OF DECISION:

Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Housing & Planning Portfolio Holder - A.5 - Consideration and Adoption of the Housing Mutual Exchange Policy

Decision:

RESOLVED that Cabinet -

- (a) formally adopts the Housing Mutual Exchange Policy, as set out in Appendix A to the report (A.5), for implementation;
- (b) authorises the Corporate Director (Operations and Delivery) to make future updates or amendments to the policy, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder responsible for Housing; and
- (c) requires that this Policy will be reviewed every two years.

Reasons for Decision:

To ensure that the policy was appropriately adopted, in accordance with the Council's Constitution and to evidence compliance with regulatory requirements.

Alternative Options Considered:

The policy is designed to ensure compliance with the relevant provisions of the Housing Act 1985 and to assist the Council in meeting the Regulator of Social Housing's Consumer Standards which came into effect on 1 April 2024 as well as the requirements and recommendations of the Housing Ombudsman. Failure to comply with the legislative provisions or meet the requirements of the Consumer Standards could result in the Regulator using its enforcement powers which include requiring a registered provider to submit a performance improvement plan or to take particular actions set out in an enforcement notice.

The Regulator can also authorise an appropriate person to enter a social housing premises to take emergency remedial action and issue penalties or require the housing provider to pay compensation.

The absence of suitable and published policies makes the day-to-day operation of the service more difficult with the potential for inconsistencies in approach and increases the likelihood of complaints.

Conflicts of Interest Declared (and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)

None

Consultation with Ward Member:

N/A

Contact Officer:

Tim Clarke, Assistant Director (Housing and Environment)

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SUBJECT OF DECISION:

Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Partnerships Portfolio Holder - A.6 - Tendring District Council (Career Track) Apprenticeships

Decision:

RESOLVED that Cabinet –

- a) notes the annual review of Career Track, including the programme's impact, governance arrangements through the Board, quality assurance activity, financial position and proposed actions to support its continued development, together with the forecast subsidy reflected in the Council's long-term financial plans; and
- b) requests that Officers continue to report financial updates through the two-year financial planning process and/or quarterly financial reporting arrangements, as appropriate.

Reasons for Decision:

To maintain appropriate oversight of Career Track in accordance with the Governors' Framework and the annual reporting role of the Board, whilst recognising the programme's contribution to the Council's Corporate Plan priority of raising aspirations and creating opportunities and to ensure that any significant emerging financial risks or variances were considered through the Council's established financial monitoring arrangements.

Alternative Options Considered:

In preparing this annual review, consideration has been given to whether any alternative delivery approach would better support the Council's strategic objectives. The current Career Track model continues to provide strong strategic value to Tendring District Council and partner authorities, supported by its established reputation, governance arrangements, positive Ofsted outcome and contribution to workforce development.

The continued support of Cabinet, together with growing engagement from neighbouring authorities and emerging opportunities through Local Government Reorganisation, reinforces the value of retaining and developing the existing model. At this stage, no alternative approach has been identified that would provide greater benefit for learners, employers or the future public sector workforce.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

Consultation with Ward Member:

N/A

Contact Officer:

Marcia Fuller, Acting Head of People

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