

Deputy Leader, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance and Governance Concurrence

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Allocation of £50,000 to the Essex Pedal Power scheme from public health grant funding

The Essex Pedal Power project is operating in Jaywick and West Clacton which includes providing free quality bikes to eligible applicants and delivering the support activities associated with getting these bikes out into the community. The funding for this includes significant contributions from South East Local Enterprise Partnership and the Sport England Local Delivery Pilot.

As part of taking this forward it is proposed to provide some adapted bikes to extend the reach of the project and make it more accessible for all.

Initially it is proposed to put £50,000 towards adapted bikes and an associated advice service.

The advice service will provide for someone to talk to the individual who needs an adapted bike to ensure their needs are met. It is also proposed to use some of the budget to help train people to ride their bikes and assist them to become part of a wider cycling community.

Each year Tendring District Council receives public health funding from Essex County Council to be used to help deliver public health improvements within the area.

It is therefore proposed to use some of the funding in that budget to put £50,000 towards adapted bikes and the associated advice service and support. There are sufficient resources in this budget to finance allocating £50 000 for this proposal.

As the grant provider Essex County Council have been consulted and are supportive of the money being used in this way.

I concur with the allocation of £50 000, from the Public Health Grant funding provided to Tendring District Council from Essex County Council, for the provision of adapted bikes and associated support as part of the wider Essex Pedal Power scheme.

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