

Record of Officer's Decision

The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Date of Decision:	07/06/2024
Decision Maker (Officer):	Lee Heley, Corporate Director, Place and Economy
Authority for Delegated Decision (Cabinet/Committee Decision or Scheme of Delegation – provide reference):	Cabinet Decision 6 th October 2023 - Minute No. 38 (d) Part 3, Schedule 3 – Responsibility for Executive Functions delegated to Officers paragraph 4.3 (1) – the Corporate Director has delegated authority to discharge executive functions within their respective service areas (Part 3.43). All delegations are subject to consultation where considered appropriate in the circumstances (paragraph 4.3 (4(ii)).
Identify which Portfolio Holder(s)/Committee Chairman consulted?	Cllr Ivan Henderson, Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Tourism
Ward Member(s) consulted?	n/a
Is it a Key Decision?	No
Is it subject to call-in?	No
Decision Made:	To address operational issues relating to clearance of the sites at Milton Road and Victoria Street, to include: 1. Site clearance of rubbish and overgrowth 2. Sites made safe for access 3. Initial surveys (topographic and utilities surveys of the Victoria Street sites) 4. Progression of party wall matters
Reason for Decision (if a report was produced to support the Decision, refer to or attach it):	On 6 October 2023 Cabinet considered a report titled 'Levelling Up Fund and Capital Regeneration Projects - Progressing the Projects to Planning Permission'. As part of that report, Cabinet delegated authority to the Corporate Director Place and Economy in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism to procure appropriate resources and commission a project team to carry out the associated work including for the design briefs.

On 24 May 2024, Cabinet considered a report titled 'Update on Levelling Up Fund and Capital Regeneration Projects'. As part of that report, Cabinet agreed to request that officers investigate the opportunity to bring forward the Milton Road element of the Dovercourt scheme from the Capital Regeneration Project funding and report the outcome back to Cabinet in the context of the wider scheme. Operational issues to support progress of the schemes to planning including site clearance for Milton Road and Victoria Street will be addressed, to include: Site clearance of rubbish and overgrowth Sites made safe for access Initial surveys (topographic and utilities surveys of the Victoria Street sites) Progression of party wall matters Decisions relating to spend or any award of contracts will be published separately. Highlight any **Finance** associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations: The total project costs of the Homes in Dovercourt scheme were calculated to be £3,548,751. This is broken down as follows: Request to Levelling Up Fund: £3,332,251 TDC Match Funding Contribution: £216,500 Details of any Alternative **Options** Considered and Initiating the demolition of the existing car park on the rejected (together with Milton Road site, as well as site clearance, surveys and demolition as needed for the two Victoria Street sites, will reasons): ensure the sites are ready for development in time for commencement of the main works, whilst ensuring the sites are made safe for the public and neighbours. The alternative option is not to investigate bringing forward the Milton Road demolition. The decision on the Milton Road carpark would be taken alongside the wider construction programme in the knowledge of actual rather than projected construction costs. This could present a delay to the realisation of benefits associated with the scheme. Details of any declarations of N/A interest **Portfolio** (by Holder/Committee Chairman who was consulted by the officer, which related to the

decision)

If relevant, a note of the dispensation granted by the Monitoring Officer:	
Reason Decision, or supporting Report, is not published: Tick one or more of the specific exemptions, and Give more information in the final box with regards to why the exemption applies and outweighs the public interest test (which is in favour of disclosure).	x Not applicable – Decision [and report] to be published If Report is not to be published – tick one of the following boxes: The report supporting the Decision contains confidential information The Report supporting the Decision falls within an exemption pursuant to Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 Information: Relates to an individual Likely to reveal the identity of an individual Relating to financial or business affairs of a person or organisation Relates to a claim for legal professional privilege in legal proceedings Reveals that the Council proposes to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or to make an order or direction under any enactment Relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime And is exempt if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information Reasons: [insert]

<u>Officer</u>

Signed:

Title: Corporate Director Place and Economy

In consultation with:

Signed: Tourism

[via email]

Title: Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration &

Dated: