

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:	12/12/2025
Decision Maker (Officer):	Deputy Chief Executive and Corporate Director for Place & Wellbeing
Authority for Delegated Decision (Cabinet/Committee Decision or Scheme of Delegation – provide reference):	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 3.38). All delegations are subject to consultation where considered appropriate in the circumstances (paragraph 4.3 (4(ii) – Part 3.39). 4.4.1(1) All Corporate Directors have the authority to incur expenditure (with the exception of external legal resources) in accordance with the Budget and Policy Framework, Financial Procedure Rules and Procurement Procedure Rules Cabinet, 20th December 2024 (Minute 99 refers) - link Cabinet, 17th March 2025 (Minute 149 refers) - link Executive Decision of the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism dated 5th August 2025 - link
Identify which Portfolio Holder(s)/Committee Chairman consulted?	Cllr Ivan Henderson, Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Tourism Supporting Portfolio Holder: Cllr Gary Scott, Portfolio Holder for Arts, Culture & Heritage Cllr Peter Kotz, Portfolio Holder for Assets & Community Safety
Ward Member(s) consulted?	Not required
Is it a Key Decision?	No
Is it subject to call-in?	No

Decision Made:	To submit a detailed Planning Application for the Ten_10 Seafront Micro Venue project at Clacton-on-Sea
Reason for Decision (if a report was produced to support the Decision, refer to or attach it):	On 20 December 2024, Cabinet accepted the Community Regeneration Partnership funding and commenced delivery. Prior to this, the programme was accepted into the Policy Framework by Full Council on 8 June 2024 and the principle of entering the Partnership approved by Cabinet on 26 July 2024. Subsequently, the funding has been received and a Memorandum of Understanding entered with MHCLG which includes TDC as the Accountable Body. The funding period lasts until 31 March 2026. This decision enables the submission of the Planning Application which will enable a Planning Permission to be obtained and the delivery of the project to progress, per the Council's commitment to date and as set out in the Project Initiation Document.
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	Funding has been secured for the project through the Community Regeneration Partnership and allocated to the project by Cabinet as set out earlier in this notice. The Ten_10 project was approved by Cabinet in December 2024 and the project implementation was approved by Portfolio Holder in August 2025. If planning was not acquired for this project, then the works would not progress further, meaning we may then be required to return monies to MHCLG due to lack of evidence showing a "substantial start" on the project needed to defray the funding. Furthermore, the level of disrepair across the three assets is likely to worsen if not addressed, leading to long-term financial implications for the Council due to its duty to maintain these properties. In addition, certain issues, such as structural cracking, require urgent attention as they may pose a health and safety risk to the public if left unresolved.
NEW : Details of Local Government Reorganisation	The wider project will include works to provide improved amenities to residents of and visitors to the district and deliver improvements to the condition of existing public realm and open spaces owned by the

and/or considerations	Devolution	Council, with a view to improving condition and managing the ongoing maintenance burden of such sites.
Details of any Alternative Options Considered and rejected (together with reasons):		Option 1 – Not to submit the application: Taking this approach would mean the works would not progress, and the project would stall. We may also then be required to return monies to MHCLG due to lack of evidence showing a “substantial start” on the project needed to defray the funding. Furthermore, the state of disrepair the assets are currently in would worsen and would continue to detract from the wider setting along the seafront. Option 2 - To submit the application at a later date: by submitting the application at this stage, it ensures the Council has a clear understanding of the likelihood of consent of the scheme prior to entering a contract with a main contractor. If delayed, there is a risk that changes to the scope required to secure planning permission could lead to variations, and cost implications, under the contract.
Details of any declarations of interest (by Portfolio 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:		Not applicable
Reason Decision, or supporting Report, is not published:		Not applicable – Decision [and report] to be published
Tick one or more of the specific exemptions, <u>and</u> Give more information in the final box with regards to why the exemption applies and outweighs the public interest		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

<i>test (which is in favour of disclosure).</i>		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
	<u>And</u> 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]	

Officers

Signed: _____ Title: Deputy Chief Executive and Corporate Director for Place & Wellbeing

In consultation with:

Signed: _____ **Portfolio Holder For Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism**

Signed: _____ **Portfolio Holder For Arts, Culture & Heritage**

Dated: