

Tendring

District Council



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:	6/3/26
Decision Maker (Officer):	Lee Heley, Deputy Chief Executive & Corporate Director, Place and Wellbeing
Authority for Delegated Decision (Cabinet/Committee Decision or Scheme of Delegation – provide reference):	Cabinet, 17th March 2023 (Minute 138 refers): <i>(c) accepts the £19.960m awarded to the Council following a successful bid to the Government's Levelling Up Grant Fund Scheme, and authorises the Section 151 Officer to sign the associated Memorandum of Understanding, in consultation with the Corporate Director (Place & Economy) and the Portfolio Holder for Business and Economic Growth;</i> Officer decision by Corporate Director Place & Economy: <i>Exemption From Call-In: Signing of Dovercourt CRP MoU</i> <i>To approve s151 signature of the Memorandum of Understanding with DLUHC with regard to the Dovercourt Capital Regeneration Project as announced in the Government's Spring Budget, 15th March 2023.</i>
Identify which Portfolio Holder(s)/Committee Chairman consulted?	Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Finance & Governance Deputy leader of the Council and Portfolio for Economic Growth, 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 approve the S151 Officer to sign the Local Regeneration Fund Memorandum of Understanding for the Clacton Civic Quarter and Dovercourt Town Centre programmes
Reason for Decision (if a report was produced to support the Decision, refer to or attach it):	On Friday 17th March 2023 Cabinet endorsed Tendring District Council (TDC)'s acceptance of £19.96m through the Levelling Up Fund (LUF) for the Clacton Civic Quarter.

	Announced in the Spring Budget 2023, Dovercourt was awarded £6.7m through the Capital Regeneration Project (CRP1) scheme from Government. In March and June 2023, the S151 officer signed Memoranda of Understanding for the LUF and CRP1 funding programmes from DLUHC (link and link), enabling the delivery of the Clacton Civic Quarter and Dovercourt Town Centre programmes, including projects in partnership with Essex County Council. In September 2025, as previously reported to Cabinet, MHCLG wrote to TDC to advise that the LUF and CRP1 programmes were being simplified under the new banner of the Local Regeneration Fund, to reduce the administrative burden on local authorities and maximise freedom and flexibility. In February 2026, a new MoU was received for the Local Regeneration Fund, including an extension to the funding envelope to March 2028 (previously confirmed) and a relaxed monitoring & evaluation reporting approach. A two week timescale was allowed for signing the revised MoU, expiring Friday 6 March 2026.
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	The MoU relates to funding which has been committed and allocated through past Cabinet decisions. This decision does not impact on these previous decisions, but enables the ongoing delivery of the programmes. The new MoU has been reviewed and changes against the MoUs already entered are limited to reduced monitoring & evaluation requirements, which will reduce capacity demands, and extension to the funding envelope as previously reported, which supports the Council's delivery.
NEW : Details of Local Government Reorganisation and/or Devolution considerations	Not applicable – the MoU ends March 2028 prior to LGR
Details of any Alternative Options Considered and rejected (together with reasons):	Option 1 – To enter this agreement: this enables the Council to access funding contribution from MHCLG for a Public Practice post within the authority Option 2 – Not to enter this agreement: this would forfeit the funding.
Details of any declarations of interest (by Portfolio Holder/Committee Chairman	N/A

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: <i>Tick one or more of the specific exemptions,</i> <u>and</u> <i>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).</i>	✓	Not applicable – Decision 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	
<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]		

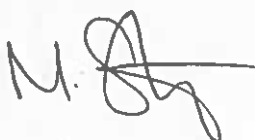
Officers

Signed:

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

In consultation with:

Signed:



Title: Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Finance & Governance

Dated:

Signed:

Title: Deputy leader of the Council and Portfolio for Economic Growth,
Regeneration and Tourism

Dated:

Signed:

Title: Corporate Director - Finance and IT

Dated: