

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:	05/10/2026
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):	<p>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).</p> <p>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</p> <p>Cabinet, 20th December 2024 (Minute 99 refers) - link</p> <p>Cabinet, 17th March 2025 (Minute 149 refers) - link</p> <p>Executive Decision of the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism dated 5th August 2025 - link</p> <p>Cabinet, 24th April 2026; Financial Performance Report 2025/26 - General Update at the end of December 2025 (22684)</p>
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
Ward Member(s) consulted?	No

Is it a Key Decision?	No
Is it subject to call-in?	No
Decision Made:	To instruct early works, comprising of site set up, welfare installation, fencing, logistics, protection to public area and retained fabric and soft strip where applicable, to the site of the Ten_10 Seafront Micro Venue site ahead of entering into the main construction contract.
Reason for Decision (if a report was produced to support the Decision, refer to or attach it):	<p>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.</p> <p>Instruction of these early works will enable the first phase of the construction programme to be expedited while allowing time for final contract details and costs to be finalised. This is with the aim of retaining the construction programme to ensure no impact on the beginning of the 2027 Beach Patrol season.</p> <p>This will ensure the project progresses, per the Council's commitment to date and as set out in the Project Initiation Document.</p>
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	<p>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 Seafront Micro Venue project was approved by Cabinet in December 2024 and the project implementation was approved by Portfolio Holder in August 2025.</p> <p>In November 2025, Cabinet allocated an additional £400,000 to the project in response due to a number of projects proposed no longer being pursued due to level of risk. A Change Control Notice was prepared to set out the implications of this change against the Project Initiation Document and was approved in April 2026.</p> <p>Failure to instruct and undertake early works swiftly could have an impact key enabling works and sequencing. Early works including the site set up and soft strip will reduce programme risk by enabling these activities to proceed in parallel to finalising the building</p>

	design, supporting the timely delivery of the project and reducing the likelihood of any impact on the start of the 2027 Beach Patrol season.
NEW : Details of Local Government Reorganisation and/or Devolution considerations	<p>On 7th September 2026, the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government announced in Parliament that a review of the Local Government Reorganisation programme was commencing and that the decision made in March 2026 for Greater Essex (and other areas) had been withdrawn in light of new legal advice. Following this announcement, local authorities received correspondence from the Minister of Housing, Communities and Local Government requesting that until this review has concluded, Councils cease work on implementing the decisions that have previously been announced. The timetable for completion of the review is unknown at this time.</p> <p>This proposal is not impacted by MHCLG's request, as it supports effective asset management by the Council ensuring that its property is used in a way that maximises community benefit in accordance with existing statutory duties.</p>
Details of any Alternative Options Considered and rejected (together with reasons):	<p>Option 1 – Not to instruct early works: This would limit the Contractor's ability to set up a safe construction site both for their team and the general public. This would increase the risk of delays to the construction programme. Therefore, could impact the timely delivery of the project and potentially affect the start of the 2027 Beach Patrol season.</p> <p>Option 2 – Instruct at a later date: This would postpone the commencement of enabling and opening up works, reducing programme flexibility and increasing the risk of delays to subsequent construction activities. Any slippage in the programme could adversely affect project completion and readiness for the 2027 Beach Patrol season.</p>
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: <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 [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:
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relates to an individual
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Likely to reveal the identity of an individual
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relating to financial or business affairs of a person or organisation
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relates to a claim for legal professional privilege in legal proceedings
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: