

Gloucester City Council

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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	25 June 2014	Item No.	6
Title	Treatment of Unattractive Facades (City Centre Investment Fund)		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture		
Report Author	Charlotte Lewis, Conservation & Design Officer		
Wards Affected	Westgate	Key Decision	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the cladding proposals for Kings Walk car park and the Bridge over Eastgate Street be approved.
- (2) That treatment of Longsmith Street car park as a green wall as detailed in the report be approved
- (3) That the treatment of the upper floors of B&M and Paddy Power with a trompe l'oeil canvas or a cladding system be approved
- (4) That more deliverable public art options at Wilkinsons, Northgate Street be investigated subject to co-operation of the owner;
- (5) That the estimated costs of each of the proposals be noted; and
- (6) That authority be delegated to Officers in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture to determine:
 - (a) the final design of the cladding for Kings Walk Car Park and the Bridge over Eastgate Street, following targeted consultation on the detailed proposal;
 - (b) the final design of the trompe l'oeil canvas or cladding system to the upper floors of B & M and Paddy Power, following targeted consultation on the detailed proposal;
 - (c) the level of funding and, in consultation with other stakeholders, the final design of any façade treatment for Wilkinsons, Northgate Street.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The recommendation builds on earlier reports that identified the allocation of target buildings.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

The principle has already been established in the March 2013 report based on earlier

work. The September 2013 report established and agreed the priority projects to be developed. Also due to the limited funding available it is not considered productive to investigate further schemes.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

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Call-in Deadline: 02/07/14

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Councillor Paul James

Leader of the Council 25 June 2014

Proper Officer: Date:

Peter Gillett

Corporate Director of Resources 25 June 2014





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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	25 June 2014	Item No.	7
Title	Gloucestershire Economic Growth Joint Committee - Establishment of Joint Committee and approval of Terms of Reference		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture		
Report Author	Sue Mullins, Head of Legal and Policy Development		
Wards Affected	All	Key Decision	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

- (a) The Council becomes a member of the Gloucestershire Economic Growth Joint Committee (GEGJC) in accordance with Sections 101 and 102 of the Local Government Act 1972 and under Section 9EB of the Local Government Act 2000 and pursuant to the Local Authorities (Arrangement for the Discharge of Functions)(England)Regulations 2012;
- (b) authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Resources, in consultation with the Leader, to finalise and complete the Inter Authority Agreement (including the Constitution) and any other necessary documentation on terms to be approved by the Head of Legal and Policy Development and to take all necessary steps to create the GEGJC;
- (c) the above recommendations will not be effective until equivalent resolutions have been passed by all the Gloucestershire Councils named in this report;
- (d) the delegation to the GEGJC of this Council's functions as described in Appendix 1 and subject to the protocols proposed, be authorized upon the establishment of the GEGJC;
- (e) the appointment of Gloucestershire County Council as Administering Authority be approved; and
- (f) the Leader be appointed to be the Council's representative on the GEGJC and that the Deputy Leader be appointed as his substitute.

REASON FOR DECISION:

To seek Cabinet approval for the establishment of a Gloucestershire Economic Growth Joint Committee, approval of the draft Terms of Reference for the Joint Committee and to make Council aware of the progress being made towards a Strategic Economic Partnership.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

The Council could continue to be responsible for economic development within its own area alone and not participate in a wider economic partnership.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	25 June 2014	Item No.	8
Title	Housing Conditions in the Private Rented Sector		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure		
Report Author	Julie Wight, Private Sector Housing Service Manager		
Wards Affected	All	Key Decision	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

a) that the current condition of private sector housing is noted and that the direction towards a more proactive approach to inspection and intervention be supported.

REASON FOR DECISION:

In order to create capacity for a proactive neighbourhood approach, the Private Sector Team will have to work in a less reactive way when dealing with service requests and this will result in a need to re-prioritise the current work activities. For example, issues with rubbish that are not presenting a risk to public health will not be given the existing priority. However, collecting residents' concerns about these issues will help us to better direct resources to the right areas for proactive housing inspections. For example, if we are receiving a number of complaints about incorrectly managed refuse at a property or in a street, we can focus attentions on the housing issues in those properties.

Consequently residents may find that their request for service, if deemed low priority, may not result in a level of intervention that meets their expectations. However, we would hope that the long term benefits of this approach will result in fewer complaints in the long term

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

To continue with a reactive based approach to service requests.

This is not considered to be the best way to improve conditions in the private rented sector for the following reasons:-

- It is not targeting the worst properties
- It only deals with the symptoms and not the causes of poor housing
- Conditions will continue to deteriorate and the numbers of service requests will rise.

- Income is lost because we are unable to identify licensable HMO's
- Tenants will increasingly be put into hazardous housing situations.
- Good landlords will be less inclined to operate in Gloucester.
- Limited impact on improving public health
- Not in line with ABCD principles
- Not likely to give rise to sustainable improvement

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

Councillor James declared a personal interest as a Property Agent.

Councillor Porter declared a personal interest as a Landlord.

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SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	25 June 2014	Item No.	9
Title	Treasury Management Update - Quarter 4 Report 2013/14		
Report Of	Corporate Director of Resources		
Report Author	Jon Topping, Head of Finance		
Wards Affected	All	Key Decision	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

REASON FOR DECISION:

To ensure Members are updated on treasury management activities.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

N/A

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	25 June 2014	Item No.	10
Title	Safeguarding Update		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods		
Report Author	Sadie Neal, Business Improvement Manager		
Wards Affected	All	Key Decision	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

- that all City Council staff and members complete the e-learning package for safeguarding children; and
- (b) agree the proposals set out in the Future Work section (6.0) of the report.

REASON FOR DECISION:

To ensure effective and compliant approach to safeguarding in the City.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

None.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

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Decision Of	Cabinet		
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Date of Decision	25 June 2014	Item No.	12
Title	Retail-led Regeneration at Kings' Quarter		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture		
Report Author	Philip Ardley, Consultant – Asset Management		
Wards Affected	Westgate	Key Decision	No

DECISION: RESOLVED:

As per the recommendations in the confidential report.

REASON FOR DECISION:

As per the relevant sections in the confidential report.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

As per the relevant sections in the confidential report.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	25 June 2014	Item No.	13
Title	Property Searches Litigation - APPS Claimants and Proposed settlement		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources		
Report Author	Sue Mullins, Head of Performance and Resources		
Wards Affected	N/A	Key Decision	Yes

DECISION: RESOLVED:

As per the recommendations in the confidential report.

REASON FOR DECISION:

As per the relevant sections in the confidential report.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

As per the relevant sections in the confidential report.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

This decision is urgent and not subject to call-in.

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CALL-IN PROCEDURE

Call-in should only be used in exceptional circumstances, such as where Members have evidence which suggests that the Cabinet did not take the decision in accordance with the principles set out in Article 12 (Decision Making) of the Council's Constitution.

Call-in of a decision must be requested within five working days of the publication of an executive decision. The request must be communicated in writing to the Corporate Director of Resources by at least five Members of the Council.

Implementation of a decision that has been called-in is suspended until such time as it has been considered by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and re-considered by the Cabinet in light of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee's conclusions and any recommendations.

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