



# DECISION RECORD

# Gloucester City Council

Publication Date

16 July 2015

<b>Decision Of</b>	Cabinet		
<b>Date of Decision</b>	15 July 2015	<b>Item No.</b>	6
<b>Title</b>	Proposal to Develop a Business Improvement District for Gloucester		
<b>Report Of</b>	Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Economy		
<b>Report Author</b>	Shelly Ford, Economic Development Officer		
<b>Wards Affected</b>	Westgate	<b>Key Decision</b>	No
<b>DECISION:</b> RESOLVED:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That the principle of a Gloucester BID be supported.</li><li>2. That the establishment of a BID Task Group be supported.</li><li>3. That authority be delegated to the Head of Regeneration and Economic Development Service, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Economy to co-ordinate and allocate staffing resources within the Economic Development Team to provide administrative support to the BID Task Group.</li></ol>			
<b>REASON FOR DECISION:</b> The establishment of a Gloucester BID is considered the right option as it would provide additional resources to support the City Centre and would give businesses control over how they were deployed. The services the BID provides would be over and above existing activity, however the opportunity and decision rests with the businesses.			
<b>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b> The alternative option considered is the "Do Nothing" option. This would mean that the additional resources would not be available to support the City Centre for the foreseeable future, unless found from other sources.			
<b>OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:</b> None			
<b>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):</b> None			
<b>SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):</b> This decision will come into force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of the publication of the decision.			

Call-in Deadline: 22 July 2015

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**Item No.**

7

**Title**

City Centre Investment Fund Allocations and Update

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Economy

**Report Author**

Anthony Hodge, Head of Regeneration and Economic Development

**Wards Affected**

Westgate

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the good progress being made to deliver the City Centre Investment Fund be noted.
2. That £70,000 of the public toilet allocation be used to provide a new facility at Kings Square, the balance to remain allocated to the Tourist Information Centre, subject to the outcome of detailed feasibility studies.
3. That an interim solution of painting the façade of the Kings Walk Car Park be delivered in time for the Rugby World Cup, subject to the owner's approval pending the delivery of the permanent façade treatment.
4. That Officers deliver immediate improvements at the City Museum, as detailed in Section 4.3, and continue to work with the Heritage Lottery Fund to make a further bid.
5. That the prioritisation of Eastgate Street frontage of the Kings Walk Car Park and the Eastgate Shopping Centre, for the treatment of their facades be confirmed, subject to detailed costs and that the Eastgate Link Bridge be reconsidered in the light of the proposals for the Kings Walk car park frontage when fully developed.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

The recommendations for further allocations have been based on the objectives of the City Centre Investment Fund which is to improve the attractiveness of the City Centre.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

A range of options were considered as laid out in report.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

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**Title**

Regeneration of Greater Blackfriars

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Economy

**Report Author**

Anthony Hodge, Head of Regeneration and Economic Development

**Wards Affected**

Westgate

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the good progress being made in the delivery of the regeneration of the Blackfriars area be noted.
2. To note that Governance arrangements, led by the Project Board, are in place.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

To ensure Cabinet are informed of progress being made on the delivery of the regeneration of this site, together with its relevant governance structures.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

The alternative option considered was to market the site in its current state – this would limit the Councils' exposure to risk and cost if the sites were disposed of without any intervention. Whilst disposal may be possible, it would be highly conditional on risk related issues being addressed; this includes ground conditions and securing a deliverable planning permission. These negotiations could take time and ultimately fail to come to fruition. As a consequence the current project is being pursued as the most effective and speediest way of bringing the site back into use.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

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**Title**

Rugby World Cup Update

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Economy

**Report Author**

Ross Cook, Corporate Director

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

RESOLVED:

That the progress made so far regarding the preparations as part of Gloucester's Host City arrangements for the Rugby World Cup 2015 be noted.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

To update Members of the progress made on the delivery of the Rugby World Cup 2015.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

Plans for the RWC are evolving all of the time and further information will be shared with all Members whenever it is available.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

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**Title**

Museums Service Events Planned for July – December 2015

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure

**Report Author**

Angela Smith, Museums Manager

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

RESOLVED:

1. That the schedule of events listed in paragraphs 3.1 – 3.12.1, which support the recommendations of the Cultural Services Review aimed at increasing footfall and revenue into the Museums be noted
2. That the report and the Appendix be widely distributed.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

A good events programme is essential to attract a larger audience and so increase income.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

There are no alternative options to this matter.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

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**Title**

Markets Strategy Update

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Economy

**Report Author**

Lisa Jones, Food, Licensing and Markets Manager

**Wards Affected**

Westgate

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the contents of the report be noted.
2. That the success of the Hempsted Meadows Carboot under new management be noted.
3. That the City Council will not proceed with the available options for additional parking at Hempsted Meadows Carboot site as listed in Appendix 1 due to the costs.
4. That commitment to the provision of a new indoor market in either Kings Quarter or Blackfriars be reaffirmed.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

1. The cost of the work necessary to create further additional car parking on a hard standing surface is very expensive. The fencing, lighting and planting elements of the scheme that we have planning for comes in at £66,376.64 and this is included in all the prices given. The recommended option for the re-surfacing work is option 4 of Appendix 1, which works out at £591,183. This option is suitable for light vehicles, could be occupied months earlier and is more likely to obtain planning permission because it would have a better finish.
2. There is currently no existing budget to cover this work and given the total amount of these works it would take a significant period of time before the Council would start to see an investment from this project. It is therefore recommended that the City Council does not proceed with these works.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

1. The different surfacing options listed in Appendix 1 for additional car parking at Hempsted Meadows includes options for different surfaces finished with gravel or grass as well as different options to manage water drainage on site.

2. The cheaper options with type 1 or road planings are not 'Sustainable Urban Drainage' compliant in the way that they are listed in Appendix 1. However, there are means to make them compliant. It is for example possible to install storage features either below ground in the way of storage tanks or above ground in the way of ponds or ditches but for the area of car park being explored it would require something in the region of 670 cubic metres of storage to comply. Whilst these options can offer some savings, there is a risk that a large area of the car park will be taken up for water storage

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

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**Title**

HKP Reception

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources

**Report Author**

Wendy Jones, Contact Centre and Customer Services Manager

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

RESOLVED:

That the contents of the report be noted.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

To update Members on the changes which have taken place and highlight the improvements that these changes have brought to our customers. The reception area is working well and it is regularly reviewed and changes made to improve the experience for our customers.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

Not applicable as the changes reported have already taken place.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

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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 13 (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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