

Promoting City, Coast & Countryside

## EXECUTIVE DECISIONS TAKEN BY DELEGATED OFFICER NOTICE OF DECISION

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER AND CONTACT OFFICER

MORECAMBE AREA ACTION PLAN (MAAP) – DELIVERING TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS AND PUBLIC REALM PROJECTS (PREVIOUSLY AGREED)				
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## **Details of Decision:**

To update the Capital Programme to include the MAAP Morecambe Central Seafront 'Connecting Eric' project and, to finance this from, (i) £90k from the MAAP Implementation Reserve (authority for this delegated to the Chief Officer Resources by the decision of Cabinet 2 September 2014 Minute 35) and (ii) to reallocate £65k from the 2015/16 Car Park Improvement budget.

Reasons for the decision:

Cabinet in September 2014 agreed improvements to public realm at the central seafront. This decision assembles the necessary financing to deliver these improvements as part of a reconfiguration of how land is laid out to make for more efficient use of space and operational improvements for car parking and for play provision.

The September 2014 Cabinet decision approved the provision of a new pedestrian gateway from the central seafront and 'Eric' to the town centre at Euston Road and, a dedicated pull-in for buses and coaches, both these involving adjustments to car parking.

In working the detail of the project up, adjustments to car parking were considered further, to make the best use of space at this constrained central location and to make other operational improvements and secure grounds maintenance efficiencies and so expenditure savings.

Accordingly, the project as designed will achieve the authorised purposes and additional service improvements as follows –

- car parking rationalised into one, more efficient location incorporating the site of the existing play
  area and with a net increase in the total number of car parking spaces and safer provision for
  pedestrian circulation;
- a new improved play facility adjacent to the Clocktower toilets to replace for the existing one.

Financing is to be reallocated from the car parks improvement programme to facilitate the rationalised and improved car parking. This is with no adverse impact on what is otherwise achievable through this programme.

The improvements are planned by the Regeneration and Planning Service as part of the MAAP and the project is to be managed by this Service. The land is the operational responsibility of (and managed by) Environmental Services and accordingly it is considered that best value will be achieved if the works are undertaken by Environmental Services as contractor. The Chief Officer (Environment), the relevant Principal Accountant and the Procurement Manager have been consulted.

The proposals were the subject of a planning application requiring full public consultation and the Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee approved the application on 2 February 2015. The Licensing Regulatory Committee has approved necessary enabling changes to taxi provision (on 26 March 2015).

Decision (ii) is a Key Officer Decision and has been subject of the required public notice.



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IS THE DECISION URGENT No

I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE BEEN CONSULTED ON THE ABOVE DECISION AND THAT IT IS URGENT AND REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES. (IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 17 OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES)

SIGNATURE OF THE OVERVIEW &

**SCRUTINY CHAIRMAN:** 

SIGNATURE OF DECISION TAKER:		Nadine Muschamp				
DATE:		17.4.15				
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