

Lancaster City Council | Report Cover Sheet

Meeting	Cabinet	Date	12 April 2022
Title	Morecambe Vision Advisory Group		
Report of	Director for Economic Growth & Regeneration		
Purpose of Report: To propose that Cabinet form an Advisory Group to engage with stakeholders and partners to consider future regeneration and economic development work in Morecambe Town Centre and the adjoining neighbourhoods. This work aims to contribute towards the establishment of a coordinated vision for Morecambe Town Centre that supports future funding bids.			
Key Decision (Y/N)	N	Date of Notice	N/A
		Exempt(Y/N)	N

Report Summary

To assist the council to achieve the 2030 Priorities it is proposed to establish an advisory group to take a consultative and non-decision making role to consider how the council and local partners can help shape, influence and inform regeneration and economic development work in Morecambe Town Centre and the adjoining neighbourhoods.

Draft Terms of Reference are appended to this report, although the Advisory Group itself will have a role in defining its activities. Membership of the group is at the discretion of the Chair and will be established as part of the group's formation; it is envisaged that membership will include a mix of elected members, partners, stakeholder businesses and other cross-sector partners.

Recommendations

- (1) That Cabinet establishes a Morecambe Vision Advisory Group.
- (2) That the Advisory Group be established based on the Terms of Reference proposed in Appendix A, recognising that the Advisory Group itself will have a role in shaping its specific activities.

Relationship to Policy Framework

The proposal is entirely consistent with and supports Lancaster City Council's policy. It contributes to the Plan 2030 Priorities for *an inclusive and prosperous local economy* and *a cooperative, kind and responsible council*. The proposal makes a strong contribution to the *strategic objective of Community Wealth Building – building a sustainable and just local economy that benefits people and organisations*.

Conclusion of Impact Assessment(s) where applicable	
Climate	Wellbeing & Social Value
Digital	Health & Safety
Equality	Community Safety
No direct impact arising from the Advisory Group itself; the Advisory Group may make recommendations to Cabinet, within which any impact will be considered.	
Details of Consultation	
The Terms of Reference for the Advisory Group are founded on a comprehensive programme of engagement and consultation with local partners.	
Legal Implications	
No direct implications; the Advisory Group may make recommendations to Cabinet, which would be subject to consideration in their own right.	
Financial Implications	
No direct implications; the Advisory Group may make recommendations to Cabinet, which would be subject to consideration in their own right.	
Other Resource or Risk Implications	
Officer resource will be required to establish and support the Advisory Group, as set out in the proposed Terms of Reference. The specific requirements will be considered as the group is established, however, no direct resource allocations are proposed at this time.	
Section 151 Officer's Comments	
The s151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments	
Monitoring Officer's Comments	
<p>The Cabinet Procedure Rules provide as follows:-</p> <p>Rule 21 - Advisory Groups</p> <p>(a) Advisory Groups are informal bodies that may be created by Cabinet. They are purely consultative and not decision-making. They will be chaired by a member of Cabinet and maybe co-chaired between cabinet members, or a cabinet member and a member of the group and there is no restriction on size although the group must be limited to what is manageable and effective for their purpose. They may be time-limited or of longer standing, again depending on their purpose.</p> <p>(b) The participants in the Group will be by invitation of the Chair and can be made up from any or all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other members of Cabinet • Others from outside the Council • Other members of Council not on Cabinet • Council officers <p>(c) Terms of Reference: Their Terms of Reference are to facilitate meaningful engagement and discussion with communities and stakeholders, with each group reflecting on focus areas role in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responding to the climate emergency; • Contributing to community wealth-building; • Taking an approach of asset-based community development; and • Strengthening community engagement. <p>Further terms of reference may be agreed upon by each Advisory Group, within the terms of the broad topic area, and observing the focus areas above.</p> <p>(d) Specific outcomes from their meetings may generate requests for pieces of work to be undertaken by Officers or partner bodies, or Overview and Scrutiny committee</p>	

to set up a Task Group to undertake a specific piece of work, or a specific report to Cabinet, Committees of Cabinet, individual Cabinet members, or other Committees of Council recommending action for determination.

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Links to Background Papers

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