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## Delegated Decisions

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## **Delegated Decisions**

### **I. Councillor Evans OBE - The Leader:**

I.1. Hoe Foreshore Repairs

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# EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Cabinet Member



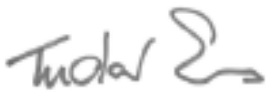
## REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY AN INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER

Executive Decision Reference Number – L41 20/21

Decision	
1	<b>Title of decision:</b> Hoe Foreshore Repairs
2	<b>Decision maker (Cabinet Member):</b> Leader of Plymouth City Council, Councillor Tudor Evans
3	<b>Report author and contact details:</b> Dan Williams, Compliance & Contracts Team Leader, Facilities Management – 01752 308841 <a href="mailto:daniel.williams@plymouth.gov.uk">daniel.williams@plymouth.gov.uk</a>
4	<p><b>Decision to be taken:</b></p> <p><b>It is recommended that the Leader of the Council:</b></p> <p>Approves the Business Case</p> <p>Allocates £612,000 for the project into the Capital Programme funded by Corporate Borrowing from the Health &amp; Safety allocation</p> <p>Authorises the procurement process</p> <p>Delegates the award of the contract to Service Director for HR and OD</p>
5	<p><b>Reasons for decision:</b></p> <p>Recent storm events have caused damage to Tinside East Steps and West Nosing. The area is well used by the Wild Swimming Community providing free access to the sea for exercise.</p> <p><b>Long Term Repair:</b> The longer term repair would include the introduction of stainless steel tie anchors that would be drilled from the outer nosing into the limestone outcrops which would in effect fix the nosing in position and prevent gross failure.</p>
6	<p><b>Alternative options considered and rejected:</b></p> <p><b>Option 1: Do Nothing</b></p> <p>The area is a regular tourist attraction and also serves a landing stage for the wild swimming community. The Hoe foreshore is one of Plymouths premier features which should be maintained.</p> <p><b>Option 2: Short term repair</b></p> <p>The short term repair would be to re-insert the granite sets, insert and embed stainless steel helical bars into the concrete to try to tie the repair to the original structure. The voiding under the slab would then be filled with grout or NHC. This would leave the repairs requiring attention within three years.</p>

7	<b>Financial implications:</b> £612,000 for the project into the Capital Programme funded by Corporate Borrowing from the Health & Safety allocation			
8	<b>Is the decision a Key Decision?</b> (please contact <b>Democratic Support</b> for further advice)	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which:</b>
			X	in the case of <b>capital</b> projects and contract awards, results in a new commitment to spend and/or save in excess of <b>£3million</b> in total
			X	in the case of <b>revenue</b> projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of <b>£1 million</b>
		X	is <b>significant</b> in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising <b>two or more</b> wards in the area of the local authority.	
	<b>If yes, date of publication of the notice in the <b>Forward Plan of Key Decisions</b></b>			
9	<b>Please specify how this decision is linked to the Council's corporate plan/Plymouth Plan and/or the policy framework and/or the revenue/capital budget:</b>	<b>Caring Plymouth</b> – Ensuring a safe public realm and access to the sea for wild swimmers. Maintaining one of Plymouth's premier features.		
10	<b>Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)</b>			
<b>Urgent decisions</b>				
11	<b>Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?</b>	<b>Yes</b>		(If yes, please contact Democratic Support ( <a href="mailto:democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk">democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk</a> ) for advice)
		<b>No</b>	X	<b>(If no, go to section 13a)</b>
12a	<b>Reason for urgency:</b>			
12b	<b>Scrutiny Chair Signature:</b>		<b>Date</b>	
	<b>Scrutiny Committee name:</b>			
	<b>Print Name:</b>			

Consultation				
13a	Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?	Yes	X	
		No		(If no go to section 14)
13b	Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?	Cllr Mark Lowry		
13c	Date Cabinet member consulted	January 2021		
14	Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision?	Yes		If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer
		No	X	
15	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Name	Kim Brown	
		Job title	Service Director HR and OD	
		Date consulted	December 2021	
Sign-off				
16	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)	DS100 20/21	
		Finance (mandatory)	PL.20.21.236	
		Legal (mandatory)	36199/AC/19/2/21	
		Human Resources (if applicable)		
		Corporate property (if applicable)	S0244RB20210216	
		Procurement (if applicable)		
Appendices				
17	Ref.	Title of appendix		
	A	Foreshore Repair Business Case		
	B	Equalities Impact Assessment		
	C	Foreshore Repairs Briefing Paper		
Confidential/exempt information				
18a	Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?	Yes	X	If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II') briefing report and indicate why it is not for

		<b>No</b>	<p>publication by virtue of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box in <b>18b</b> below.</p> <p>(Keep as much information as possible in the briefing report that will be in the public domain)</p>					
		<b>Exemption Paragraph Number</b>						
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>18b</b>	<b>Confidential/exempt briefing report title:</b>							
<b>Background Papers</b>								
<b>19</b>	<p>Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below.</p> <p>Background papers are <u>unpublished</u> works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based. If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.</p>							
<b>Title of background paper(s)</b>		<b>Exemption Paragraph Number</b>						
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Foreshore Repairs Business Case</b>				X				
<b>Cabinet Member Signature</b>								
<b>20</b>	<p>I agree the decision and confirm that it is not contrary to the Council's policy and budget framework, Corporate Plan or Budget. In taking this decision I have given due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.</p>							
<b>Signature</b>				<b>Date of decision</b>	4 March 2021			
<b>Print Name</b>	The Leader – Councillor Tudor Evans OBE							

# FORESHORE REPAIRS

Briefing Report for Executive Decision



## BACKGROUND

Recent storm events have caused damage to Tinside East Steps and West Nosing. The area is well used by the Wild Swimming Community providing free access to the sea for exercise.

## SUMMARY

### Tinside East Steps

Failed Semi- Circular Steps:

The two steps of reinforced concrete skirting appear to be stable however the joints have opened to between 50mm and 75mm leaving them vulnerable to tidal action and should be the first priority for repair. There is also voiding between the lower skirt and the limestone shelf on the west side (where the steps have failed above). This will need to be secured and tied back, filled and fixed to the concrete and limestone with stainless steel ties.

The steps above were cast in-situation but in sections with day joints which have failed and opened allowing the fines behind to be washed out leading to instability and subsequent structural failure of the steps. The strategy for repair would be to remove the failed steps and construct a concrete support wall behind in stages which would be brought up in level as the steps were reconstructed. It would be imperative that the reinstated steps were cast in situ and in one step ring at a time without joints to enable us to form a monolithic structure rather than in parts or segments. This will provide the most effective solution with the marine grade concrete for the repair being pumped from the road above.

### West Nosing

There has been a significant failure and loss of granite sets forming the west wall just in front of the nosing. There is also evidence of horizontal and diagonal cracking in the concrete nosing repair which is due to the corrosion expansion of the embedded reinforcement which will continue.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Project estimated costs are £510,000 plus an additional £102,000 contingency to be financed through corporate borrowing.

## NEED FOR DECISION

The steps at Tinside East provide access to the sea for the wild swimming community. Currently there is a significant H&S risk presented to this community where the steps are in poor condition. They are presently cordoned off leaving a smaller area for this community to access vital exercise. The foreshore makes up part of Plymouth's attraction for the tourism industry and as such should be protected from disrepair.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

**It is recommended that the Leader of the Council:**

- Approves the Business Case
- Allocates £612,000 for the project into the Capital Programme funded by Corporate Borrowing
- Authorises the procurement process
- Delegates the award of the contract to Service Director for HR and OD

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The following relates to exempt or confidential matters (Para(s) 3 of Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Govt Act 1972). Any breach of confidentiality could prejudice the Council/person/body concerned & might amount to a breach of the councillors /employees codes of conduct.

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# EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Foreshore Repairs



## STAGE I: What is being assessed and by whom?

What is being assessed - including a brief description of aims and objectives?

### Current Situation

Storm damage to Foreshore Steps and Nosing presenting H&S and reputation risk.

### Proposal

Option 1: The short term repair would be to re-insert the granite sets, insert and embed stainless steel helical bars into the concrete to try to tie the repair to the original structure. The voiding under the slab would then be filled with grout or NHC. The effectiveness of this repair could not be guaranteed but would buy us time in terms of delaying complete failure. This option would save £80,000 on the overall project and would likely require repair in future years.

Option 2: The longer term repair would involve much of the above but would include the introduction of stainless steel tie anchors that would be drilled from the outer nosing into the limestone outcrops which would in effect fix the nosing in position and prevent gross failure. Further cracking would of course continues in the concrete nosing repair because of the continued corrosion expansion of the inherent reinforcement but would afford the opportunity for ongoing localised repair

Option 2 is the preferred option.

Responsible Officer	Ralph Bint, Facilities Manager (Hard Services)
Department and Service	Facilities Management, Finance
Date of Assessment	22/02/2021

<b>STAGE 2: Evidence and Impact</b>				
<b>Protected Characteristics (Equality Act)</b>	<b>Evidence and information (e.g. data and feedback)</b>	<b>Any adverse impact?</b>	<b>Actions</b>	<b>Timescale and who is responsible?</b>
Age	The 2011 Census data % of Population is: - 0-4 years – 6% 5-9 years - 5% 10-14 - 5% 15-19 - 7% 20-24 - 10% 25-29 - 7% 30-34 - 6% 35-39 - 6% 40-44 - 7% 45-49 - 7% 50-54 - 6% 55-59 - 5% 60-64 - 6% 65-69 - 5% 70-74 - 4% 75-79 - 3% 80-84 - 2% 85+ - 3%	No adverse impacts are anticipated.	There are no specific actions necessary for the project based upon the age profile of our customers.  The demolition will remove the H&S risk associated with Asbestos exposure to staff.	Ralph Bint Facilities Manager March 2021 through December 2021

Disability	<p>30,000 people in Plymouth will have some form of Mental Health issue.</p> <p>0.8% (2118) of those registered with a GP are listed on the mental health register.</p> <p>A total of 31,164 people declared themselves as having a long-term health problem or disability in the 2011 Census.</p> <p>1,224 adults currently registered with a GP in Plymouth have some form of a Learning Disability.</p>	No adverse impacts are anticipated.	Monitor and review as necessary and appropriate	<p>Ralph Bint Facilities Manager March 2021 through December 2021</p>
Faith, Religion or Belief	<p>Data shows that 32.9% of the Plymouth population stated they had no religion.</p> <p>Hindu, Buddhist, Jewish and Sikh combined totalled less than 1%.</p> <p>0.5% of the population had a current religion that was not Christian, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism, or Sikh such as Paganism or Spiritualism.</p>	No adverse impacts are anticipated.	Monitor and review as necessary and appropriate	<p>Ralph Bint Facilities Manager March 2021 through December 2021</p>
Gender - including marriage, pregnancy and maternity	Citywide data shows that overall 50.6% of our population are women; this reflects the national figure of 50.8%.	No adverse impacts are anticipated.	Monitor and review as necessary and appropriate	<p>Ralph Bint Facilities Manager March 2021 through December 2021</p>
Gender Reassignment	National figures (ONS 2013) indicate that up to 10,000 people have gone through this process,	No adverse impacts are anticipated.	Monitor and review as necessary and appropriate	<p>Ralph Bint Facilities Manager</p>

	with 23 known cases in Plymouth.			March 2021 through December 2021
Race	<p>92.9% of Plymouth's population is White British</p> <p>7.1% are Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) with White Other (2.7%), Chinese (0.5%) and Other Asian (0.5%) the most common.</p> <p>The Council has 4.1% BME employees across its workforce.</p> <p>We have a rapidly rising BME population which has doubled since the 2001 census</p>	No adverse impacts are anticipated.	Monitor and review as necessary and appropriate	<p>Ralph Bint Facilities Manager March 2021 through December 2021</p>
Sexual Orientation -including Civil Partnership	<p>There is no precise local data on numbers of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual (LGB) people in Plymouth, but it is nationally estimated at between 5 – 7%. This would mean that approx. 12,500 people aged over 16 in Plymouth are LGB.</p>	No adverse impacts anticipated.	Monitor and review as necessary and appropriate	<p>Ralph Bint Facilities Manager March 2021 through December 2021</p>

<b>STAGE 3: Are there any implications for the following? If so, please record 'Actions' to be taken</b>		
<b>Local Priorities</b>	<b>Implications</b>	<b>Timescale and who is responsible?</b>
Reduce the inequality gap, particularly in health between communities.	Not at this stage	

<b>STAGE 3: Are there any implications for the following? If so, please record 'Actions' to be taken</b>		
<b>Local Priorities</b>	<b>Implications</b>	<b>Timescale and who is responsible?</b>
Good relations between different communities (community cohesion).	Not at this stage	
Human Rights	Not at this stage	

<b>STAGE 5: Publication</b>			
Director, Assistant Director/Head of Service approving EIA.	Kim Brown <b>Service Director HR and OD</b>	Date	22/02/2021

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