

EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Cabinet Member



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

Executive Decision Reference Number – L19 22/23

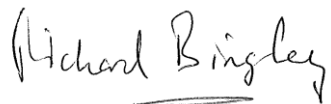
Decision	
1	Title of decision: To enable the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between Plymouth City Council and Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities in relation to UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
2	Decision maker (Cabinet member name and portfolio title): Councillor Richard Bingley Leader of Plymouth City Council
3	Report author and contact details: Amanda Ratsey, Amanda.Ratsey@plymouth.gov.uk
4	Decision to be taken: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agree to sign the Memorandum of Understanding in relation to UK Shared Prosperity Fund. 2. To authorise the Section 151 Officer to sign the Memorandum of Understanding in relation to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund by the deadline of 23 December.
5	Reasons for decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plymouth City Council took a decision on 07 July 2022 to accept UK Shared Prosperity Fund and submit an investment plan to Government. • On 05 December, Government announced that the investment plan has been accepted and asked for further documentation. • In order to release the funding, Government is requesting each Local Authority signs a Memorandum of Understanding, which sets out general terms and conditions for distributing the funding. Government is asking for the Memorandum to be signed either by the Chief Executive or S151 Officer of the Local Authority. The deadline for returns is 23 December 2022. • In order to meet the timelines set by Government linked to the return of the Memorandum of Understanding to Government by the 23rd December 2022, an executive decision is required
6	Alternative options considered and rejected: No decision required.
7	Financial implications and risks: While the decision itself does not have any direct financial implications for the council, Plymouth City Council will need to provide some dedicated resources to manage and oversee the fund. UKSPF offers a 4% top slice to cover management costs of the fund. We will maintain robust programme management protocols through regular monitoring and review to ensure that the projects are delivered within the grant terms and conditions. Remedial action will be

	taken where necessary.			
8	Is the decision a Key Decision? (please contact Democratic Support for further advice)	Yes	No	Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which:
			X	in the case of capital projects and contract awards, results in a new commitment to spend and/or save in excess of £3million in total
		x		in the case of revenue projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of £1million
		x		is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the area of the local authority.
	If yes, date of publication of the notice in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions	Not applicable.		
9	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:	While the paper has no direct implication, the funded projects that will eventually come out of the UK Shared Prosperity Plan will be relevant for all chapters of the Plymouth Plan, particularly: Healthy City, Growing City and International City.		
10	Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)	No direct implications. Carbon Footprint will be considered as part of the selection process for projects and priorities. Our Investment Plan sets out our plan to ensure that the UK Shared Prosperity Fund process incorporates high levels of net zero ambition.		

Urgent decisions

11	Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?	Yes		(If yes, please contact Democratic Support (democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk) for advice)
		No	x	(If no, go to section 13a)
12a	Reason for urgency:			
12b	Scrutiny Chair Signature:		Date	
	Scrutiny Committee name:			
	Print Name:			

Consultation			
I3a	Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?	Yes	
		No	x (If no go to section I4)
I3b	Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?		
I3c	Date Cabinet member consulted		
I4	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
I5	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Name	Anthony Payne
		Job title	Strategic Director for Place
		Date consulted	12.12.2022
Sign-off			
I6	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)	DS82 22/23
		Finance (mandatory)	pl.22.23.317.
		Legal (mandatory)	MS/12.12.22/39573
		Human Resources (if applicable)	
		Corporate property (if applicable)	
		Procurement (if applicable)	
Appendices			
I7	Ref.	Title of appendix	
	A	UK Shared Prosperity Fund Memorandum of Understanding	
	B	Summary of Investment Plan	
	C	Equalities Impact Assessment	
Confidential/exempt information			
I8a	Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?	Yes	If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II') briefing report and indicate why it is not for

		No	x	publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box in 18b below. (Keep as much information as possible in the briefing report that will be in the public domain)				
		Exemption Paragraph Number						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
18b	Confidential/exempt briefing report title:							
Background Papers								
19	Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. 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 I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.							
Title of background paper(s)		Exemption Paragraph Number						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
UK Shared Prosperity Fund Memorandum of Understanding								
Summary of Investment Plan								
Equalities Impact Assessment								
Cabinet Member Signature								
20	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.							
Signature				Date of decision			14 December 2022	
Print Name	Councillor Richard Bingley, Leader of Plymouth City Council							