

EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Cabinet Member



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

Executive Decision Reference Number – L13 23/24

Decision	
1	Title of decision: Acceptance of Youth Investment Fund Grant
2	Decision maker: Councillor Tudor Evans OBE, Leader of the Council
3	Report author and contact details: Chris Avent chris.avent@plymouth.gov.uk
4	<p>Decision to be taken:</p> <p>I. To formally enter into the Onward Grant Agreement and accept the grant award from Youth Investment Fund of £3.463m (£2.790m Capital and £0.674m Revenue) under the Terms of the Onward Grant Agreement.</p> <p>The Grant provides funding for capital investment in built assets at strategic sites in the city – Derriford Community Park and Tinside – to enable increased provision of youth engagement activity in the natural spaces at these sites. It also provides funding for the grant period to invest in building the programme of activities for young people to engage with at these sites.</p>
5	<p>Reasons for decision:</p> <p>The decision is required to enable Plymouth City Council to accept the grant offer from the Youth Investment Fund to provide funding to progress capital and revenue activity to stimulate youth activity in partnership between Environmental Planning, Youth Services and Livewell South West at two sites – Derriford Community Park and Tinside – until March 2025.</p> <p>Separate Business Cases and Executive Decisions will deal with the allocation of the grant money against specific activity.</p>
6	<p>Alternative options considered and rejected:</p> <p>Do nothing, do not utilise, and therefore lose the Youth Investment Funding to progress delivery of the Joint Local Plan objectives.</p>
7	<p>Financial implications and risks:</p> <p><u>Expenditure</u></p> <p>Capital Expenditure = £2.790m</p> <p>Revenue expenditure = £0.674m</p> <p><u>Income - Grant funding secured</u></p> <p>Youth Investment Fund = £3.463m</p> <p>The risk that the award presents is low as all funding is external and the terms of the grant agreement do not pose any undue risks or liabilities on PCC.</p>

	<p>The key terms of the Grant Agreement are:</p> <p>The purpose of the Grant from DCMS is to advance the objectives of YIF Phase 2, as set out in the YIF Onward Grant Agreement, without limitation, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • create, expand and improve local youth facilities and their services, in order to drive positive outcomes for young people, including improved mental and physical wellbeing, and skills for life and work; • build/preserve youth facilities that are fit for purpose in left behind areas including having a developed a business plan by March 2025 to make the facility financially sustainable and undertaking training/capability building to improve their marketing and revenue generation skills by 31st March 2025; • develop environmentally sustainable youth facilities; • drive improvements in youth sector capability; • improve access, participation and short-term wellbeing of young people including having at least one trained worker/volunteer trained to a recognised qualification in youth work within 12 months of opening; • improve the evidence base for the youth sector. <p>The fund can only be used to meet the Project Objectives in relation to the Project and in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the Onward Grant Agreement. The Grant shall not be used for any other purpose without the prior written agreement of the Funder.</p> <p>The grant will fund agreed costs and activity set out in the terms of the Onward Grant Agreement until 31st March 2025.</p>		
<p>8</p>	<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? (please contact Democratic Support for further advice)</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>x</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which:</p> <p>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</p> <p>x</p> <p>in the case of revenue projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of £1 million</p> <p>x</p> <p>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.</p>
	<p>If yes, date of publication of the notice in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions</p>	<p>03 July 2023</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p>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:</p>	<p><u>Corporate Plan</u> Green investment, jobs, skills and better education</p> <p><u>Joint Local Plan</u> PLY041 Derriford Community Park</p>	

		<p><u>Plymouth Plan</u></p> <p>SOI – Delivering a healthy city</p> <p>HEA7 - Optimising the health and wellbeing benefits of the natural environment</p> <p>There are two further Business Cases and Executive Decisions alongside this one to allocate the funds stemming from the Youth Investment Fund. These are for specific detailed investment packages for Derriford Community Park and Tinside. Please refer to these for the detail of the capital budget allocation.</p>
10	Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)	<p>This programme of works aligns with and supports the delivery of the Plymouth Net Zero Action Plan by delivering a programme of works that will enable communities to engage and learn about; Climate change Adaptation, Education/Engagement/Enabling conditions, Biodiversity and Ocean and Waterways. All these elements are PCC commitments to being a carbon neutral organisation by 2030.</p>

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:	
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12b	Scrutiny Chair Signature:		Date	
	Scrutiny Committee name:			
	Print Name:			

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	Councillor Briars-Delve, Cabinet Member for		

	portfolio is affected by the decision?	Environment and Climate Change; Councillor Lowry, Cabinet Member for Finance.	
I3c	Date Cabinet member consulted	08 June 2023	
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	
I5	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Name	Anthony Payne
		Job title	Strategic Director of Place
		Date consulted	01 June 2023
Sign-off			
I6	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)	DS 24 23/24
		Finance (mandatory)	CH 21.07.23 1237
		Legal (mandatory)	LS/00001312/AC/1/24/7/23
		Human Resources (if applicable)	N/A
		Corporate property (if applicable)	N/A
		Procurement (if applicable)	N/A
Appendices			
I7	Ref.	Title of appendix	
	A	Equalities Impact Assessment YIF	
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

		No	x	not for 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
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 (2010) and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.							
Signature				Date of decision	31/07/2023			
Print Name	Councillor Tudor Evans OBE, Leader of the Council							