

EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a Cabinet Member



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


Executive Decision Reference Number – L17 23/24

Decision	
1	Title of decision: National Marine Park Horizons Project - Delivery Stage Bid Submission
2	Decision maker: Councillor Tudor Evans OBE, Leader of the Council
3	Report author and contact details: Kat Deeney, Head of Environmental Planning – kathryn.deeney@plymouth.gov.uk
4	<p>Decision to be taken:</p> <p>That the Leader of the Council agrees to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submit a delivery stage bid (as outlined in this report) for the National Marine Park Horizons Project to the National Lottery Heritage Fund by the deadline of the 15th September 2023; 2. Provide a £2million underwrite as part of the match funding support for the National Marine Park Horizons Project bid submission; 3. Delegate authority be given to the Service Director (Economic Development) to complete and submit the detail of the bid to the National Lottery Heritage Fund.
5	Reasons for decision: To approve the submission of the NMP Horizons Project to the National Lottery Heritage Fund to bid for £11.6million of funding.
6	<p>Alternative options considered and rejected:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Don't submit the Delivery Stage Grant for the NMP Horizons Project – rejected because the opportunity to secure the funding from the National Lottery Heritage Fund would be lost.
7	<p>Financial implications and risks:</p> <p>If the bid is successful the National Lottery Heritage Fund will provide £11.6million of funding.</p> <p>The Council will provide match funding as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £2million cash match from PCC (previously agreed) • £1.18m cash match (Already approved in capital programme business case to accept the Youth Investment Fund). • £2million Council underwrite to support the bid.

8	<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? (please contact Democratic Support for further advice) Please type an X into the relevant boxes</p>	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.
	<p>If yes, date of publication of the notice in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions</p>	01 August 2023.		
9	<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>The NLHF Heritage Horizons project will support the City to deliver the UK's first National Marine Park within Plymouth Sound. The programme will deliver against policies within the Plymouth Plan including policy 'INT1 - Implementing Britain's Ocean City'.</p> <p>The NMP has been designed to support the City Vision as well as Plymouth City Council priority: 'making Plymouth a great place to grow up and grow old' by utilising one of our greatest assets in a manner which focuses on engagement and inclusion. It will also support the priority by reducing health inequalities, access to new skills and career pathways and by providing more opportunities for a wider group of people to access the health and wellbeing benefits the NMP can offer.</p> <p>The way the project will be delivered, with a focus on people and environment, will also support the City aspirations to be net zero by 2030.</p>		
10	<p>Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)</p>	<p>The National Marine Park and all its component parts are being designed to support a positive transition to net zero, and maximise the benefits for nature. Each part of the project has been developed in a manner to maximise carbon reduction, enhance sites for nature and enables behavioural change which supports positive environmental outcomes.</p>		

Urgent decisions			
I 1	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 I 3a)
I 2a	Reason for urgency:		
I 2b	Scrutiny Chair Signature:		Date
	Scrutiny Committee name:		
	Print Name:		
Consultation			
I 3a	Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?	Yes	
		No	x (If no go to section I 4)
I 3b	Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?	Councillor Mark Lowry (Cabinet Member for Finance) and Councillor Tom Briars – Delve (Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change)	
I 3c	Date Cabinet member consulted	21 August 2023.	
I 4	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
I 5	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Name	Anthony Payne
		Job title	Strategic Director for Place
		Date consulted	09 August 2023
Sign-off			
I 6	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)	DS37 23/24

		Finance (mandatory)	DJN.23.24.81						
		Legal (mandatory)	LS/00001312/AC/1/25/8/23						
		Human Resources (if applicable)	n/a						
		Corporate property (if applicable)	n/a						
		Procurement (if applicable)	n/a						
Appendices									
17	Ref.	Title of appendix							
	A	National Marine Park Horizons Project – Delivery Stage Bid Submission, Briefing Report.							
	B	Equality Impact Assessment							
Confidential/exempt information									
18a	Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II') briefing report and 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 in 18b below. (Keep as much information as possible in the briefing report that will be in the public domain)				
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
			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	04 September 2023		
Print Name	Councillor Tudor Evans OBE, Leader of the Council.						