

Date of meeting:	16 September 2019
Title of Report:	<b>Urgent Decisions to be reported</b>
Lead Member:	Councillor Tudor Evans OBE (Leader)
Lead Strategic Director:	Giles Perritt (Assistant Chief Executive)
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Your Reference:	CD FC01 19/20
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

### **Purpose of Report**

As set out in section 4.5 of Part C and section 14 of Part F of the Constitution, urgent decisions are required to be reported to the next ordinary Council meeting after they were taken. This report sets out the urgent decisions taken since the last meeting of Council on 24 June 2019. Copies of the decisions are provided as appendices.

### **Recommendations and Reasons**

Council is requested to note the following decisions taken in line with due process:

- Plymouth Railway Station published 19 June 2019
  - This decision provided the required delegated authority for the relevant Strategic Director to enter into funding and legal agreements in order for the Railway Station Project to progress.
- Bereavement Infrastructure Project published 27 June 2019
  - Whilst funding for the acquisition of the property had been granted previously, this decision included express authority to acquire the property.

### **Alternative options considered and rejected**

Railway Station Project – The Leader could have opted to give approval to the individual agreements; however, as the principle of the property transactions and funding required had already been given, it is usual for authority to be delegated to the relevant Director to enter into legal and funding arrangements.

Bereavement Infrastructure Project – Should the decision have been taken not to proceed with the acquisition, the proposed new crematorium would have been unable to proceed or meet the required timeframe for construction. This site was the only suitable site following two separate site assessments which looked across the city.

## Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

Plymouth Railway Station – the project is aligned to the Plymouth and South West Devon Joint Local Plan and meets our priority to provide an efficient transport network, increasing accessibility and connectivity between the station and city centre.

Bereavement Infrastructure Project – the Council’s Corporate Plan includes a commitment to delivery of cemetery and crematoria facilities fit for the future, the decision taken enabled this to be met.

## Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

Plymouth Railway Station – there were no additional financial implications that were not considered as part of the Business Case approved in September 2018.

Bereavement Infrastructure Project – there were no additional financial implications that were not considered as part of the Business Case approved in July 2018

## Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

None identified

## Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

*\* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give 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.*

None associated with this report

## Appendices

*\*Add rows as required to box below*

Ref.	Title of Appendix	Exemption Paragraph Number (if applicable)						
		<i>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.</i>						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A	Plymouth Railway Station Executive Decision							
B	Bereavement Infrastructure Project Executive Decision							


## Background papers:

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*Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are unpublished 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.*

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**Sign off:**

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Giles Perritt											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes											
Date agreed: 05/09/2019											
Cabinet Member approval:											
											
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