

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Friday, 2 July 2021

**Decision No:** (OD 21/22 31841)

DECISION-MAKER:	OFFICER DECISION MAKING
PORTFOLIO AREA:	CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE AND HOMES
SUBJECT:	TOWNHILL PARK DECOMMISSIONING ORDER 2021 REVISION
AUTHOR:	Sue Jones

### THE DECISION

That the proposed new decommissioning order is approved. This would include the following changes to the current, approved decommissioning order:

1. To bring forward the start date for decommissioning 166-186 Meggeson Avenue (Plot 5) by circa 1 month.
2. To delay the start date for decommissioning 144-164 Meggeson Avenue (Plot 5) by circa 15 months from November 2020 to February 2022. However, it is possible this may be shorter than 15 months and instead be an 8-month delay.
3. To bring forward the start date for decommissioning 107-125 Meggeson Avenue (including the row of shops) by circa 17 months.
4. To bring forward the start date for decommissioning 1 – 87 Kingsdown way (Plot 7) by circa 13 months.
5. To delay the start date for decommissioning 289-331 Meggeson Avenue (Plot 13) by circa 13 months.
6. To delay the start date for decommissioning 254-318 Meggeson Avenue (Plot 12) by circa 13 months.

(See Appendix 1 Slide 7 existing and proposed order and Appendix 5 Proposed Order 2021)

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. The council has undertaken a formal public consultation into the suggested changes to the order of the decommissioning and at least 70% of respondents agreed with each proposed change.
2. The revised order creates a more logical progression of decommissioning for subsequent redevelopment.
3. Council data on repairs and condition of blocks affected by the decommissioning timetable has been reviewed. Stock condition data does not raise issues that would cause the order as proposed and supported by the consultation, to be reconsidered.

**DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

1. Do nothing and keep the order as the existing approved order of November 2017. This would not address concerns raised by some local residents who questioned the 2017 order of decommissioning.
2. The decommissioning programme could be paused, while future delivery models are developed and activated. However, the decommissioning process is a specialist, standalone part of the development process, which only a landlord can carry out. It is unlikely that anyone else could easily, or indeed wish to take on this responsibility. Also, by its nature it is a process that takes time and the date of completion cannot be guaranteed due to factors outside the control of the council, (e.g. a tenant or a leaseholder may refuse to move).

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD**

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 2 July 2021

Decision Maker: Kate Martin  
Executive Director Place

Proper Officer:  
Ed Grimshaw

**SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 clear days (as set out in the Constitution) from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period

Date of Call-in <i>(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)</i>
Call-in Procedure completed <i>(if applicable)</i>
Call-in heard by <i>(if applicable)</i>
Results of Call-in <i>(if applicable)</i>