

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 17 September 2013

Decision No: (CAB 13/14 11187)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	HOUSING AND SUSTAINABILITY
SUBJECT:	RIVER ITCHEN FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME - PRELIMINARY STUDY FUNDING
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THE DECISION

- (i) To accept a grant from the Environment Agency, totalling £457,000, to carry out the River Itchen Flood Alleviation Scheme preliminary study.
- (ii) To approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, the addition of £221,000 to the Housing and Sustainability Portfolio revenue budget in 2013/14 to commence work on the study, subject to formal written confirmation from the Environment Agency of the grant funding approval, and to note that a further addition of £236,000 to the 2014/15 revenue budget will be formally made as part of the preparation of that financial years' budget.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The current revenue budget does not have provision for this work and the acceptance of the Environment Agency grant and subsequent increase in budget will fully fund the development of the River Itchen Flood Alleviation Scheme preliminary study which will identify a feasible flood defence scheme to reduce flood risk to the susceptible areas along the River Itchen frontage within the Bevois and Bargate wards

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The alternative of not providing funding for this study would prevent the identification of a feasible flood defence scheme recommended as a priority scheme within the Southampton Coastal Flood & Erosion Risk Management Strategy (2012), which would adversely affect the ability to reduce the risk of tidal flooding along this frontage.

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: 17 September 2013

Decision Maker: The Cabinet

Proper Officer: Judy Cordell

SCRUTINY

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

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*