

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 16 October 2012

Decision No: (CAB 12/13 8773)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT
SUBJECT:	APPROPRIATION OF VOKES MEMORIAL GARDENS AND PART OF QUEEN'S PARK, TO ENABLE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PLATFORM ROAD SCHEME
AUTHOR:	Ali Mew

THE DECISION

Modified recommendation (ii) decision:

- (i) To note that there were not any objections received in relation to the proposed appropriation of land at Vokes Memorial Gardens and Part of Queens Park Platform Road, as identified in (Appendix 1 – Plan 11ALMO19032). The appropriation has therefore been completed in respect of this area of land.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Economy following consultation with the Platform Road Client Manager to determine the form and extent of an additional area of Vokes Memorial Gardens required within the final design for a Dock Gate 4 entrance and a wider Dock Gate 5 exit.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Economy to instruct the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services to advertise the appropriation of the additional land determined in accordance with recommendation (ii) above at Vokes Memorial Gardens for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper circulating in the locality.
- (iv) To delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Economy following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport to determine any objections received from the second series of adverts and to make a final decision as to whether or not to approve the appropriation in light of any such objections.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. The Cabinet report presented on 17 July 2012 identified an outline design for the road scheme. Subsequent detailed design has highlighted the need to provide a wider exit than previously proposed, following a review of vehicle movements from the Port. The re-design will require the inclusion of two small additional areas within Vokes Memorial Gardens of

approximately 100 sq m. As the land is open space, its proposed appropriation to enable its inclusion requires to be advertised and objections considered.

2. Without this land the road improvement scheme cannot progress as planned, which will result in the loss of Government funding from Regional Growth Fund.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

1. Continue with existing design – rejected as the Port will not be able to service certain clients who use the Port for the shipping of certain goods. This would have a significant detriment to the Port.
2. To provide a revised road improvement design – rejected as the Dock Gates 4 and 5 exit cannot be relocated or reconfigured without the additional land.

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: 16 October 2012

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 (<i>if applicable</i>) (<i>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>)