



RECORD OF OFFICER DECISION

Date: Monday, 22 January 2024

Time: 10.00 am

1.	Barton's Point - funding surveys required to progress lease	Pages 3 - 4
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Agenda Item 1

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NAME OF OFFICER MAKING DECISION	Lisa Fillery Director of Resources
SUBJECT OF DECISION BEING MADE BY OFFICER	Barton's Point – funding surveys required to progress lease.
SUMMARY OF OFFICER DECISION AND REASON FOR THAT DECISION	To fund the cost of the additional surveys required by Natural England in order to progress a planning application for new usages at Barton's Point (utilising the balance of the Levelling Up Parks funding, and money from the Business Rates Pool reserve). Costs are quoted at £23,185 (+VAT).
DATE OF OFFICER DECISION	22 nd January 2024
DETAILS OF ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED	Not to fund the surveys. This was not recommended as the surveys are considered essential to progress a new and improved visitor offer at Barton's Point, in line with aspirations. To require potential new leaseholders to fund the surveys: This was not recommended as SBC are the freeholder of Barton's Point, and funding and taking ownership of the surveys will benefit our own understanding of the site, as well as supporting any future additional or alternative letting arrangements.
DETAILS OF ANY CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN	The officer recommendation was discussed with members of the administration on 22 nd January 2024, including the Leader, Deputy Leader and Chairs of the service committees.
DETAILS OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS	None.
CONTACT FOR ENQUIRIES/FURTHER INFORMATION	Joanne Johnson Head of Regeneration, Economic Development and Property and Interim Head of Planning.
DELEGATED AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH OFFICER IS ACTING	
DELEGATING COMMITTEE OR INDIVIDUAL	Lisa Fillery Director of Resources Virement delegation Financial Regulation A3.
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