**DECISIONS DELEGATED TO OFFICERS**

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| **Decision title:** | Award of contract for the first phase value engineering exercise for Oxpens River Bridge |
| **Decision date:** | 23 January 2023 |
| **Source of delegation:** | This decision was delegated to officers under Part 4.4 of the Council’s Constitution: all executive functions except those in Part 4.5, 4.6 and 4.7 are delegated to the officers in the senior management structure. |
| **What decision was made?** | To use feasibility funding to issue a project order in the sum of £ 23,365.66 to Balfour Beatty for the 1st phase value engineering exercise for Oxpens River Bridge.  The fees for this are for “design funding” and have been approved by Cabinet as part of the overall project approvals granted on [16 March 2022](https://mycouncil.oxford.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=527&MId=5846&Ver=4) and [16 November 2022.](https://mycouncil.oxford.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=527&MId=7378&Ver=4) |
| **Purpose:** | By appointing Balfour Beatty using the approved SCAPE framework, the decision allows the programme for the project to be maintained and the value engineering exercise to be progressed whilst legal agreements between City and County for the further use of Growth Deal funding are finalised. |
| **Reasons:** | To enable the tight programme for undertaking the pre-construction stage work, whilst the collaboration agreement is finalised with legal teams, to be met.  The use of the Growth Deal funding has a deadline of March 2025, therefore it is important to maintain progress on the programme. |
| **Decision made by:** | Tom Bridgman - Executive Director (Development) |
| **Other options considered:** | To wait for the collaboration agreement with County/ City legal teams to be completed before entering into pre-construction works. This option was rejected as it would cause delay to programme - putting at risk the source Growth Deal funding which needs to complete before 31 March 2025. |
| **Documents considered:** | Reports to Cabinet: [16 March 2022](https://mycouncil.oxford.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=527&MId=5846&Ver=4) and [16 November 2022.](https://mycouncil.oxford.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=527&MId=7378&Ver=4) |
| **Key or Not Key:** | Not Key |
| **Wards significantly affected:** | None |
| **Declared conflict of interest:** | None |
| **This form was completed by:**  **Name & title:**  **Date:** | Steve Weitzel  Regeneration Manager  18/01/2023 |

**Approval checklist**

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| ***Approver*** | ***Name and job title*** | ***Date*** |
| **Decision maker** | Tom Bridgman - Executive Director (Development) | 23/01/2023 |

**Consultee checklist**

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| ***Consultees*** | ***Name and job title*** | ***Date*** |
| **Head of Financial Services** | Nigel Kennedy Head of Financial Services (Section 151 Officer) | 19/01/2023 |
| **Cabinet Member** | Cllr Alex Hollingsworth - Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Delivery | 23/01/2023 |