


DECISIONS DELEGATED TO OFFICERS

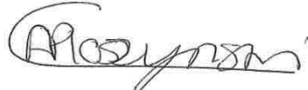
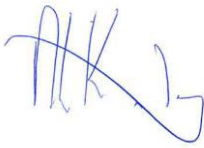
Decision title:	Variation of Oxpens River Bridge Collaboration Agreement with Oxfordshire County Council
Decision date:	14 February 2023
Source of delegation:	<p>Cabinet, on 16 November 2022 ('Appointment of a Contractor for the Oxpens River Bridge') resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Delegate authority to the Executive Director (Development) in consultation with the Head of Financial Services/Section 151 Officer, the Head of Law and Governance and the Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Delivery, to agree and enter into contractual terms with Oxfordshire County Council for £2.8 million of additional funding from the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal Funds (OHGDF) and an amended collaboration agreement to cover revised project delivery arrangements including fees and programme.
What decision was made?	To amend the collaboration agreement with Oxfordshire County Council to: enable the County Council to provide additional funds of £2.8million (minus funding retained for County Council costs); change the completion date; vary the allocation of design funding within the budget; and allocate more of the design funding to staff costs as set out in the Cabinet report.
Purpose:	The amendment of the agreement enables additional Growth Deal funds to be provided and ensures the provisions within the agreement reflect the proposals and programme for the works. This will enable proposals for the Oxpens River Bridge to move forward.
Reasons:	Construction costs have increased rapidly and the programme for the development have been progressed and this has led to the need for the funding and amendments to the existing funding agreement.
Decision made by:	Tom Bridgman, Executive Director (Development)
Other options considered:	The option of not accepting the funding was considered but rejected as it would have prevented the delivery of the walking and cycling link across the river.
Documents considered:	Report to Cabinet of 16 November 2022 .

Key or Not Key:	Key (expenditure or savings of £500,000 or greater in the context of the medium term financial strategy)
Wards significantly affected:	Osney & St Thomas
Declared conflict of interest:	None
This form was completed by: Name & title: Date:	Steve Weitzel Regeneration Manager 31/01/2023

Approval checklist

Approver	Name and job title	Date
Decision maker	Tom Bridgman - Executive Director (Development) 	14/02/2023

Consultee checklist

Consultees	Name and job title	Date
Senior officer	Carolyn Ploszynski Head of Regeneration and Economy 	02/02/2023
Head of Financial Services	Nigel Kennedy Head of Financial Services (Section 151 Officer) 	02/02/2023
Deputy Monitoring Officer	Marcia Ecclestone, Deputy Monitoring Officer	14/02/2023
Cabinet Member	Cllr Alex Hollingsworth - Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Delivery	02/02/2023