

REDDITCH BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER URGENCY PROCEDURES

SUBJECT: Decarbonisation of Greenlands Business Centre and Redditch Town Hall using Section 31 grant funding

BRIEF STATEMENT OF SUBJECT MATTER:

Redditch Borough Council has submitted a bid for Salix grant funding under Section 31 decarbonisation of the Greenlands Business Centre and Redditch Town Hall. This action that will be taken using this funding will help to reduce carbon emissions and reduce the Council's energy costs. The grant conditions include delivery of the project by 31st March 2022 at the latest.

DECISION:

RESOLVED that

- 1) the Capital Budget be increased by circa £250,000 in the first instance to receive the payment of Section 31 grant funding for Greenlands Business Centre and by up to circa £1,175,721 for the grant for Redditch Town Hall; and**
- 2) delegated authority be granted to the Head of Democratic, Legal and Property Services following consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Climate Change, to administer delivery of the funding in line with the grant conditions.**

(Council decision)

GROUNDINGS FOR URGENCY:

Due to timescales, there was insufficient information to bring a report to the Executive Committee before an application was submitted in late December 2020. Redditch Borough Council was contacted on 26th January 2021 and offered funding directly from BEIS (the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy) using Section 31, with a decision on accepting the funding required as soon as possible.

DECISION APPROVED BY:

(Deputy) **CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

ACTING SECTION 151 OFFICER
(if financial implications)

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(Signature) (Sue Hanley / Kevin Dicks - (D)CX)

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(Signature) (Chris Forrester)

Date: February 2021

PROPOSED ACTION SUPPORTED *(amend as appropriate)*

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MAYOR *	PF HOLDER**	LEADER / LABOUR Group	LEADER / LDR CONSERVATIVE Group	CHAIR O&S Committee
Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:

Notes:

* In addition to the Executive decision above regarding the matter under consideration, the Mayor is signing to agree both that the Executive decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and to it being treated as a matter of urgency. This is to ensure that the call-in procedures as set out in Part 8 of the Constitution shall not apply where an Executive decision being taken is urgent.

** There are two Portfolio Holders who will be consulted on this matter. Councillor Lovell, Portfolio Holder for Climate Change, and Councillor Thain, Portfolio holder for Finance and Enabling.