



DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

PROPOSED INDIVIDUAL DECISION BY THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR FINANCE AND EFFICIENCY

TOPIC: ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT - PARCHMENT STREET

PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

The Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 4, Section 22 of the Council's Constitution provides for a decision to be made by an individual member of Cabinet.

In accordance with the Procedure Rules, the Corporate Director (Governance), the Chief Executive and the Head of Finance are consulted together with Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Principal Scrutiny Committee and all Members of the relevant Scrutiny Panel (individual Ward Members are consulted separately where appropriate). In addition, all Members are notified.

Five or more of these consulted Members can require that the matter be referred to Cabinet for determination.

If you wish to make representation on this proposed Decision please contact the relevant Portfolio Holder and the following Committee Administrator by 5.00pm on 29 January 2009

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SUMMARY

A scheme for an environmental enhancement in Parchment Street, Winchester to improve footway and carriageway treatments is included in Winchester City Council's Capital Programme for delivery in 2009/10. This scheme is part funded by Hampshire County Council. The City Council's allocation in the Capital Programme is £10,000 and the County Council is contributing £15,000. The full scheme cost of £25,000 will be needed to implement the scheme during March 2009.

The scheme will make the southern end of Parchment Street more attractive for residents and shoppers. The scheme has been subject to consultation with shop

keepers, business owners and residents have also been informed. The scheme was requested by businesses last year and the City Council, working with the County Council, has been successful in securing funding to deliver it.

The scheme accords with the corporate priorities for a High Quality Environment and Safe and Secure Communities.

PROPOSED DECISION

That in accordance with Financial Procedure Rule 6.4 (iv), authority be given for release of the funds allocated in the Capital Programme to enable environmental enhancement works in Parchment Street, Winchester to be implemented.

REASON FOR THE PROPOSED DECISION AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

The scheme will enhance the area in terms of visual appearance more befitting an area such as Parchment Street and will provide a better environment for shoppers and visitors. The footways and carriageways are considered to be safe in terms of maintenance standards but many broken paving slabs have been replaced with tarmac and the area generally looks tired and uncared for. The scheme will provide new footway and carriageway treatments, will replace broken bollards and drainage channels and generally enhance the highway maintenance condition and visual appearance on the Southern end of Parchment Street and thus encourage more shoppers from the High Street to visit shops and businesses in Parchment Street.

FURTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

None

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS BY THE DECISION MAKER OR A MEMBER OR OFFICER CONSULTED

None

DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

None

Approved by: (signature)

Date of Decision:

Councillor Allgood – Portfolio Holder for Finance and Efficiency