

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference

E2213

City of Bath World Heritage Site Management Plan

Decision maker	Councillor Terry Gazzard, Cabinet Member for Development and Major Projects
The Issue	<i>Following endorsement by Full Council on 23 Nov 2010, the draft replacement Bath World Heritage Site Management Plan was passed to the Cabinet Member for permission to submit to central government, who in turn will submit the plan to UNESCO for adoption</i>
Decision Date	29-Dec-10
The decision	The Cabinet member: (1) Endorses the draft replacement City of Bath World Heritage Site Management Plan, and approve its submission to UNESCO; (2) Notes that further minor editorial changes may need to be made to the document prior to submission.
Rationale for decision	Once passed to DCMS the plan becomes their document and may require amendment as necessary to receive the UNESCO approval – hence the rationale to ask for endorsement rather than adoption. DCMS have already been involved in developing the plan, and will work closely with this Council in any changes made. They would not unilaterally impose changes involving actions with financial consequences for the Council. The timetable for this process is rigid, and failure to meet submission deadlines to the UNESCO annual committee would result in a years delay and failure to meet Council assurances given to UNESCO following their 2008 mission.
Financial and budget implications	The management plan was prepared within allocated budgets. Some of the 71 actions are funded; funding must be sought for others (from external sources such as the Heritage Lottery Fund, etc). Inclusion of such items carries no guarantee that funding will be found and cannot be a promise of delivery. The plan strikes a balance between being visionary and deliverable, and inclusion of aspirations proves useful when bidding for funds from external sources.
Issues considered	<i>Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability; Property; Young People; Equality (age, race, disability, religion/belief, gender, sexual orientation)</i>
Consultation undertaken	WC St Int LR SP CTB CX 151
How consultation was carried out	Published in WL 17-Dec-10
Other options considered	None

Signatures of Decision Makers	
Date of Signature	
This decision is subject to Call-in until 5 working days after it has been published	