

Cabinet Meeting Resolution

**Executive  
Forward Plan  
Reference**

**E2496**

**Safety Fencing along the River Avon in Bath**

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	5-Dec-12
<b>The Issue</b>	<i>A commissioned report from RoSPA assessed the risks posed to users of the river path between Churchill Bridge and Windsor Bridge, which included a recommendation for edge protection along a stretch of river located east of Windsor Bridge in Bath.</i>
<b>The decision</b>	(1) To APPROVE £140k for inclusion in the 2012/13 capital programme to allow the safety fencing to be installed before the end of 2012/13 financial year end; and  (2) To AGREE that as part of this, £40k is released from capital contingency to be recouped in 2018/19 through s.106 funding from the Bath Western Riverside Corporate Agreement.
<b>Rationale for decision</b>	The Council and its partners (Avon Fire and Rescue and Avon and Somerset Police) have received a recommendation from RoSPA that edge protection should be provided. The organisation and its partners are open to criticism if this recommendation is not fulfilled and further incidents occur.
<b>Other options considered</b>	None
<b>Declarations of Interest</b>	

**The Decision is subject to Call-In within 5 working days of publication of the decision**