

Single Member Cabinet Decision

**Executive
Forward Plan
Reference****E2961****Kingsmead Square, Bath - Full Budget Approval**

Decision maker/s	Cllr Anthony Clarke, Cabinet Member for Transport
The Issue	<p>The B&NES Creating the Canvas for Public Life in Bath – A Public Realm and Movement Strategy for Bath City Centre’ was adopted as Council policy in March 2010 following an extensive consultation process and high levels of cross-party public and political support. It identified the need to rebalance the movement and transport systems in favour of pedestrians, cyclists and public transport users in the City Centre. This included vehicle access restrictions in Kingsmead Square. This aligns with the Placemaking Plan and The Getting Around Bath Transport Strategy.</p> <p>A feasibility study will be undertaken for Kingsmead Square which will be the initial step towards identifying the suitability of vehicle access restrictions and public realm enhancements.</p>
Decision Date	13 th May 2017
The decision	The Cabinet Member agrees that the £10,000 provisional approval in the 2017/18 Budget be given full approval in order to undertake a feasibility study.
Rationale for decision	The feasibility study will assist in delivering Council Policy set out in the Public Realm and Movement Strategy, Getting Around Bath Transport Strategy and Placemaking Plan.
Financial and budget implications	£110,000 has been provisionally approved in the Capital Budget, which will be funded through Corporate Supported Borrowing. The budget has been split over two years, £10,000 in 2017/18 and £100,000 in 2018/19.
Issues considered (these are covered in more detail in the report)	Customer Focus and Sustainability.
Consultation undertaken	Divisional Director for Environmental Services, Section 151 Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer.
How consultation was carried out	Email
Other options considered	A wider traffic modelling exercise in the city centre is due to be undertaken during 2017/18 and, whilst Kingsmead Square is covered by the traffic model, it would not include the level of detail covered in the feasibility study.

Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision, including any dispensation granted:	<i>The nature of interest and whether interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an-other interest, including any conflict of interest, (as defined in Part 2, A and B of the Code of Conduct and Rules for Registration of Interests). Any Member who needs to clarify any matters relating to the declaration of interests is recommended to seek advice from the Council's Monitoring Officer or a member of their staff before taking the decision.</i>
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Signatures of Decision Makers	
Date of Signature	
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