

Decision Notice

Decision No:	LD04
Subject:	RESTORATION OF MAISON DIEU, DOVER
Notification Date:	28 May 2020
Implementation Date:	29 May 2020
Decision taken by:	Councillor Trevor Bartlett, Leader of the Council
Authority:	By virtue of Section 9E (2) (a) of the Local Government Act 2000 (Discharge of functions by senior executive member)
Decision Type:	Executive Key Decision
Call-In to Apply?	No (<i>The Chairman of the Council has agreed to suspend call-in for the reasons set out in paragraph 1.3</i>)
Classification:	Unrestricted - but Appendix 1 to the attached report is Restricted and NOT FOR PUBLICATION by reason that it contains information which is exempt by virtue of the provisions of Paragraph 3 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972
Reason for the Decision:	<p>To increase the Council's match-funding contribution to the project to restore the Maison Dieu, Dover by £1.5 million;</p> <p>To confirm agreement to the Council taking a direct role in managing the premises on completion of the project; and</p> <p>To confirm agreement to the proposed approach taken with regards to the surrender of the Your Leisure lease.</p>
Decision:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To note and welcome the progress made with the project during the development phase.2. To increase the Council's match-funding contribution within the Capital Programme by £1.5 million to meet the additional costs identified relating to backlog of maintenance and works required to make the building fit for purpose.3. To confirm agreement to the proposal that the Council takes a direct role in managing the premises on completion of the project.4. To confirm agreement to the proposed approach taken with regards to the surrender of the Your Leisure lease and to delegate responsibility to conclude the agreement to the Strategic Director (Operations and Commercial), in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Commercial Services.5. It is the opinion of the decision-maker that this decision is an urgent one and therefore not subject to call-in.

1. **Consideration and Alternatives** *(if applicable)*

1.1 See attached report.

1.2 This decision is not in accordance with the budget approved by full Council in March 2020. However, it is not practical to convene a quorate meeting of the full Council in a timely manner at this time due to the Coronavirus pandemic, and the Leader is therefore taking the decision as a matter of urgency as provided for under Paragraph 4 (Urgent decisions outside the Budget or Policy Framework) of the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules of Part 4 (Rules of Procedure) of the Constitution. In accordance with this provision, the agreement of the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has also been obtained.

1.3 The Chairman of the Council has agreed to suspend call-in due to the imminent deadlines associated with the application to the National Heritage Lottery Fund (NHLF). The Council is seeking to make a second-round application for the delivery of the project, the work on which is required to be complete by 30 April 2020, with the application bid submitted by 29 May 2020.

2. **Any Conflicts of Interest Declared?**

2.1 None.

3. **Supporting Information** *(as applicable)*

3.1 See attached report.