

Committee: Resource Allocation Sub-Committee	Date: 2 October 2014
Subject: Decisions taken under delegated authority or urgency powers	Public
Report of: Town Clerk	For Information
<u>Summary</u>	
<p>1. This report advises Members of action taken by the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman since the last meeting of the Sub-Committee, in accordance with Standing Order Nos. 41(a) and 41(b).</p>	
Recommendation	
<p>2. To note the action taken since the last meeting of the Sub-Committee.</p>	

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3. The following action has been taken under urgency procedures, Standing Order No. 41(a), since the last meeting of the Sub-Committee:-

EE97 Crossrail Moorgate Urban Integration

A project to develop proposals for improvements around the Moorgate/Moorfields entrance of Crossrail's Liverpool Street station was approved at Gateway 2 in November 2013. This work was identified as a high priority project in the Liverpool Street Area Strategy, which was adopted by the Court of Common Council in July 2013.

Since the project initiation, officers had negotiated with Crossrail on a detailed brief for the project, and were content that this brief broadly met the objectives set out in the approved Liverpool Street Strategy. However, Crossrail's initial proposed design contained a number of elements at odds with the City Corporation's policies, primarily around materials used, cycling restrictions and the effective dispersal of passengers. Crossrail agreed to proceed with an amended design which addressed these concerns, provided the City provide them with a detailed proposal by December 2014, so as to enable them to submit an application for approval of planning matters under the Crossrail Act thus allowing delivery of construction by the opening of Crossrail in 2018.

Approval was obtained from the Streets & Walkways Sub-Committee under urgency procedures and the Projects Sub-Committee at its 2 September

2014 meeting. The Resource Allocation Sub-Committee's approval was subsequently sought specifically for the use of funds from the off-street parking reserve for the project. This approval was granted under urgency procedures on 5 September 2014, with the use of up to £85,000 from the off-street parking reserve authorised to fund the revision of the necessary plans ahead of the December deadline, thereby ensuring the development was in keeping with Corporation policies and plans for the area.

Aldgate Highway Changes and Public Realm Improvement Project

Approval was given to the funding for the construction of the Aldgate Highway Changes and Public Realm Improvement Project being capped at £18.35m with any shortfall being underwritten by the On Street Parking Reserve.

Urgent action was taken for three reasons:-

- authority was required to carry out work before the end of July, as funding provided by TfL for the project was time limited.
- to accommodate the construction of TfL's a cycle super highway, it was essential that the first phase at Aldgate was completed in order to facilitate this, avoiding delay. In addition to this there was a risk of losing TfL funding making the project undeliverable if it was delayed.
- it was crucial that the s106 for the project were agreed before the Corporate Infrastructure Levy commenced on the 1 July 2014. As after this date it would not be possible to amalgamate more than five s106 agreements in any one project.

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