

Committee:		Date:
Community and Children's Services	- For Information	14 June 2017
Subject:		Public
Portsoken Pavilion/ Aldgate Square update		
Report of:		For Information
Andrew Carter – Director of Community and Children's Services		

Summary

The Aldgate Square development is a major public realm project, managed by the Department of Built Environment. A Pavilion is included in the project, from which a café will operate. In 2015 Members agreed that the Pavilion should be operated by a social enterprise, commissioned by Community and Children's Services. City Surveyors have managed the construction of the Pavilion. In September 2015 Community and Children's Services Committee awarded the contract to operate the Pavilion to Kahaila.

The Pavilion was originally scheduled to open in Autumn 2016. However in October 2016 Community and Children's Services Committee were informed of significant delays in the completion of the construction of the Pavilion, until Autumn 2017, and agreed to offer a one year rental contract to Kahaila in temporary premises at 6 Harrow Place to ensure a service was being provided in the local area.

In January 2017 Community and Children's Service Committee were informed that the anticipated completion date for both the Pavilion and the Square was the end of 2017.

In September and October 2016 Streets and Walkways Sub Committee agreed a split reporting structure where the City Surveyor reported on the specifics of the Pavilion and the Director of Built Environment reported on the overall project.

There are two reports attached as appendices to this summary that describe the current overall construction position with the Pavilion and the Square. The first ((Aldgate (Portsoken) Pavilion)) report informs Streets and Walkways Sub Committee and Project Sub on the detail of the delays to the Pavilion and asks for their agreement to the additional costs incurred. As these costs can be found from the overall project the second (Aldgate Highway Changes and Public Realm Enhancement) report informs the sub committees that the budget to cover the additional costs can be found with in the overall project approved budget and of the impact the delays to the Pavilion construction have had on the overall project completion timetable.

For Community and Children's Services Committee, whose main interest is the management of the Pavilion, once it is open, the key issue is that the completion of the Pavilion is still scheduled to take place by the end of 2017. However the

completion of Aldgate Square is now scheduled for March 2018 so earlier access to the Pavilion may have to be facilitated by a temporary footway as the finished surface surrounding the Pavilion may not be constructed by the time it opens.

Recommendation

Members are asked to:

- Note the summary report and the reports attached as appendices

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