

TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

<u>DATE OF DECISION</u>	Monday, 24 July 2023	<u>DECISION MAKER</u>
<u>DECISION REFERENCE</u>	E.23/07.24.6	Executive (Councillors Participating: Ross, Adshead, Harding, Hynes, Patel, Slater, Thompson, and Williams)
<u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u>		
<u>CULTURE STRATEGY</u>		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That the Trafford Cultural Strategy be adopted and approved2. That the implementation plan and the associated commitment of resources be approved.		
<u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u>		
<p>To approve the Strategy to deliver the following 3 strategic aims:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Trafford will develop a distinctive and inclusive approach to cultural leadership, based on a shared set of priorities with key partners.2. Trafford will become a creative factory – GM’s ‘talent belt’ – driving opportunities for embryonic, emerging and established cultural talent, with clear pathways for skills, talent and career development.3. Trafford will champion and nurture connected cultural communities from the grassroots up, by supporting more hyperlocal and community-led activity.		
<u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u>		
<p>The Executive could choose not to approve the strategy and to use the resources in alternative ways. This is not advised as Trafford has consulted with experts in the field to develop the strategy and other uses of the resources are unlikely to deliver the same level of impact.</p>		
<u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u>		
None		

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

TENNIS INVESTMENT PROJECT

1. That the implementation of a 'pilot' of the sustainable operating model as set out in Option 3 C of this report (as verbally amended during the meeting to remove reference to Davyhulme Park forming part of the pilot), which includes the introduction of access gates, charging policy and the procurement of a specialist operator be approved.
2. That delegation of authority to the Corporate Director of Place to procure an operator and to agree the terms of the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) funding and finalise the terms of any funding agreement be approved.
3. That the delegation of authority to the Director of Legal and Governance to agree and enter into any documents required to implement the above decisions be approved.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

To secure the provision of good quality tennis facilities in parks in the borough and demonstrate the efficacy of the sustainable operating model in Trafford.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

Do Nothing

The network of courts remains as they are, and the investment isn't sought or made. Given the status of the courts based on the condition survey in point 2.2 it would be safe to assume that overtime, without intervention that more courts would become unplayable and that even those rated as 'good' at this point in time, would also deteriorate.

If the Council chose this option there is a risk that as courts deteriorate more, opportunities to be physical activity are taken away. The assets also do not become drivers to encourage more residents into parks and those that currently do book and use the courts, will migrate to courts in other boroughs. Also, as these spaces deteriorate, they become more inviting for nuisance and anti-social behaviour which generates other issues.

Maintain and improve the current network

The Council would need to cover the maintenance costs needed, estimated at £48,000 per annum. In addition to this the LTA have highlighted that courts in Trafford require upfront repairs of £587,242, that would also need to be covered by the council.

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

UPDATE ON TRAFFORD COUNCIL'S MAYORAL CHALLENGE FUND ACTIVE TRAVEL REPRIORITISATION AND INDICATIVE 2023/24 ACTIVE TRAVEL SCHEME DELIVERY PROGRAMME

- a) That the reprioritisation of MCF funded active travel schemes with a forecast delivery budget of circa £13.01m based on the delivery priorities set out in Section 2 be noted.
- b) That the inclusion the A56 Phase 2 scheme with an indicative budget allocation of £1.6m into the MCF programme, noting the requirement for the scheme to follow the MCF governance and approvals process to secure MCF funding be noted.
- c) That the indicative active travel programme of works for 2023/24 which would achieve the delivery of four active travel work schemes be noted.
- d) That the implications of the reprioritised development programme together with the wider proposed active travel scheme pipeline as set out in Section 3 of the report be noted.
- e) That the delegation of authority to the Corporate Director of Place, in consultation with the Director of Finance and Systems, to accept and spend Mayoral Challenge Fund (MCF) funding allocation, on a scheme-by-scheme basis, for the implementation on the delivery and development priorities as set out in Sections 2 and 3 of the report be

approved.

- f) That the delegation of authority to the Corporate Director of Place, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Governance, to negotiate and finalise the grant delivery agreements, construction contracts and any other contracts or documents required to implement this decision be approved.
- g) That the delegation of authority to the Corporate Director of Place, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Governance, to award a contract to a recommended contractor for each Scheme once an agreed delivery agreement is in place.
- h) That the delegation of authority to the Director of Legal and Governance to enter into any contracts or other documents required to implement the decision be approved.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The approval of reprioritisation of Trafford MCF programme and the acceptance of the MCF grant funding will allow the implementation of the active travel schemes to commence and for Trafford to provide alternative sustainable active travel modes of transport being used across the Borough that will benefit health and wellbeing and air quality.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

The alternative option would be to not accept the MCF grant funding and risk having incomplete, non-compliant cycle schemes. In addition, it would be a missed opportunity to achieve the outcomes as stated in the councils Walking, Wheeling, and Cycling strategy of improved infrastructure and support towards reducing carbon emissions. This would also impact on Trafford's reputation for securing future funding bids for other MCF grant Active Travel opportunities.

If the approval of the funding agreed is delayed, then the construction cost may further increase.

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