

Adur Executive Member for the Environment, Worthing Executive Member for Regeneration Ref. No: JAW/003/20-21

Date of Decision: 01 July 2020

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Record of Decision: JAW/003/20-21 External Grant Funding to develop a business case for the development of a district heat network serving development at Shoreham town centre and the Harbour

Decision taken by: Adur Executive Member for Environment and Worthing Executive Member for Regeneration

Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

WBC Executive Member for Regeneration: I hereby confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interest in this item.

ADC Executive Member for Environment: I hereby confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interest in this item.

Decision:

The WBC Executive Member for Regeneration has agreed to abstain from this decision as an Adur matter.

The ADC Executive Member for Environment has approved the creation of a revenue budget of £220,000 funded by a combination of external funding and council resources; and delegated authority to the Director for Digital and Resources to award the contract(s) to the preferred bidder(s) for the provision of technical, financial and legal services to develop the business case for the Shoreham Heat Network.

Key Decision: Yes

Reason For Decision:

The Councils have declared a Climate Emergency and committed to achieving 100% clean energy across the District and Borough by 2050. Reducing emissions from heating is essential to realise this target. Through the Adur Local Plan and Shoreham Harbour Joint Area Action Plan, Adur District Council has committed to exploring the potential for a heat network serving the harbour and town centre.

In addition to reducing emissions of greenhouse gases, the network can address a number of objectives. These include:

- supporting economic growth
- income generation

- security of energy supply
- · affordable warmth
- cleaner air

Alternative Options Considered:

The external funding has been awarded by central government specifically for the purpose of undertaking detailed project development of the Shoreham Heat Network. The only alternative option would be not to carry out this work, in which case the funding would be returned to the central government. This would not realise the benefits noted above.

Other Matters Considered:

Legal Advice and Issues	Х	Financial Advice and Issues	х
Sustainability Issues	Х	Equality Issues	х
Community Safety Issues	Х	Human Rights Issues	х
Reputation	Х	Risk Assessment	х
Health & Safety Issues	Х		

Consultation:

This report was circulated to Councillors, and published on the Council's website on 2 June 2020. The following consultation responses were noted by the decision maker: None received

Background Papers: UK 100 Cities Pledge

Climate Emergency - Becoming Carbon Neutral by 2030: Report by the Director for Digital and Resources to Joint Strategic Committee (9 July 2019)

Shoreham Harbour Heat Network Study

Shoreham Harbour District Energy Feasibility Study

Adur Local Plan (Policies 8 and 19)

Shoreham Harbour Joint Area Action Plan (Policies SH1, CA6, CA7)

Supplementary Planning Document - Sustainable Energy

Platforms for Our Places - Going Further - Platform 3 - Tackling Climate Change and

Supporting Our Natural Environment (Commitment 3.3)

Adur & Worthing Councils Carbon Neutral Plan

Energy South2East Local Energy Strategy

Clean Growth Strategy

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Call-in: The call-in deadline for this decision will be 5:00pm on 8 July 2020

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Signed: **Date:** 1 July 2020

Name: Councillor Emma Evans, ADC Executive Member for Environment

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Name: Councillor Kevin Jenkins, WBC Executive Member for Regeneration

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