



ADUR & WORTHING
COUNCILS

**Adur Executive Member for the
Environment, Worthing Executive
Member for Regeneration**
Ref. No: JAW/001/20-21
Date of Decision: 10 June 2020

If you have any questions about this decision please contact Democratic Services on 01903 221006 or email democratic.services@adur-worthing.gov.uk

Record of Decision: Refurbishment of Buckingham Road multi-storey car park

Decision taken by: Adur Executive Member for the Environment, 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 ADC Executive Member for Environment has agreed to abstain from this decision as a Worthing matter.

The WBC Executive Member for Regeneration has approved the appointment of Pick Everard of Perfect Circle to provide professional, multi-disciplinary construction consultancy services to the value of £246,100.

Key Decision: Yes

Reason For Decision:

As part of Worthing's wider economic regeneration programme and in relation to Council owned car parks, there is the need to make changes and improvements to our parking infrastructure, to secure longevity and maintain consumer confidence.

Our parking strategy has identified that the Grafton multi storey car park is nearing its end of life and will be demolished as part of proposed redevelopment plans for the whole site. This has an indicative timescale of between 2 to 4 years. The anticipated loss of the Grafton facility requires us to ensure that if we provide alternative provision (civic centre) as well as an improved offer of quality parking in existing sites.

The Buckingham Road car park is immediately adjacent to our core shopping area and provides a key arrival point at the western side of Worthing town centre.

The retention and refurbishment of Buckingham Road multi storey car park will fulfil the Council's aims and contribute to Worthing's economic regeneration programme as set out

in the Worthing Core Strategy, Worthing Investment Prospectus, Platforms for our Places and Capital Investment Programme for Worthing Borough Council and the Joint Strategic Committee.

This need for investment has been heightened by the 2020 Covid19 pandemic, which has significantly impacted on our economy and as we move towards recovery and a 'new norm' requires the Council to be proactive and lead by ensuring that our town centres are well supported and that residents and visitors to the town can be confident.

Alternative Options Considered:

To do nothing - not acceptable

To simply decorate - not acceptable as simply defers the issue of a quality sense of arrival

Other Matters Considered:

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

Consultation:

This report was circulated to Councillors, and published on the Council's website on Thursday 28 May 2020. The following consultation responses were noted by the decision maker:

No representations received from ward councillors, other members, interested parties or members of the public.

Background Papers:

Worthing Core Strategy, Worthing Borough Council, March 2011

Worthing Investment Prospectus, Worthing Borough Council, 2016

Worthing Town Centre Car Parking Strategy, Project Centre

Joint Strategic Committee Report 6 November 2018

Joint Strategic Committee Report 3 December 2019 Agenda Item 12, Investing for the future: Capital Programme 2020/21 to 2022/23

Platforms for our Places, Adur & Worthing Councils

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Call-in: The call-in deadline for this decision will be 5:00pm on 17 June 2020



Signed: **Date:** 10 June 2020

Name: Councillor Kevin Jenkins, WBC Executive Member for Regeneration



Signed: **Date:** 10 June 2020

Name: Councillor Emma Evans, ADC Executive Member for Environment

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