

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

Record of Executive Decision

Repairs to the Grand Arcade annex car park.

Decision of: Councillor Ward, Executive Councillor for Planning and Climate Change

Reference: 12/ENV/04

Date of decision: 24/08/12 **Recorded on:** 24/08/12

Decision Type: Non Key

Matter for Decision: To install gully gratings to drainage gullies throughout the four levels of the annex part of Grand Arcade car park.

The proposed works will ensure a level walking and driving surface which will be flush with the car park deck and the drainage within the car park will not be impaired.

Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):

The corporate health and safety team advise the gullies represent a significant health and safety risk to the general public, wheelchair users, drivers and staff due to their deterioration and uneven surface. An alternative solution was initially suggested which involved the installation of a permeable granule but this was discounted due to the potential shortness of life of the product and the likely high wear and tear due to the car park environment and similar costs of installation to the grating system. A bespoke galvanised stainless steel grating system has been specified by our consultants. This solution should last for many years.

The Executive Councillor's decision(s):

Agreed

Financial recommendations –

- The Executive Councillor approved this project (which is not included in the Council's Capital & Revenue Project Plan) for approval by Council, subject to resources being available to fund the capital costs.
- The total cost of the project is £26000, funded

from the car park structural repairs and renewals budget.

- There are no ongoing revenue implications arising from the project.

Procurement recommendations:

- The Executive Councillor approved the carrying out and completion of the procurement for the break out and removal of the existing screed laid to falls in the Grand Arcade lower car park drainage gullies and the application of a deck coating system.
- The provision of gully gratings as shown on attached drawing to allow safe passage for both vehicles and pedestrians without hindering the free flow of surface water from the car park deck.
- Subject to:
 - The permission of the Director of Resources being sought prior to proceeding if the quotation or tender sum exceeds the estimated contract.
 - The permission from the Executive Councillor being sought before proceeding if the value exceeds the estimated contract by more than 15%.

Reasons for the decision:

As stated in Part 4C section 6.1 of the Councils Constitution, individual members of the Executive 'may take a decision which is contrary or not wholly in accordance with the budget approved by the full Council if the decision is a matter of urgency'.

Due to time pressures it was deemed not practical to convene a quorate meeting of Council to take these decisions.

Scrutiny consideration:

The Chair and Spokesperson of Environment Scrutiny Committee were consulted prior to the action being authorised.

Report:

See attached

Conflicts of interest:

None

Comments:

This urgent decision will be reported back to the next Environment Scrutiny Committee and then referred to Council.