

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

Record of Executive Decision

Stourbridge Common River Bank Restoration
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Decision of: Andrea Reiner, Executive Councillor for Public Places

Reference: 13/URGENCY/ENV/2

Date of decision: 11/09/13 **Recorded on:** 11/09/13

Decision Type: Non Key

Matter for Decision: The Executive Councillor is recommended:

To approve the tendering and letting of a contract for a design and build of a river bank restoration programme at Stourbridge Common.

To approve the spending of £100k in year 2013/14

To approve the preparation of future capital bids for future works along the Stourbridge Common river bank

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

A structural survey report carried out on the riverbank in January 2013 identified several sections that are in a poor condition. Risks have been identified to site users, including moorers, members of the public, City Council staff, rowers and fishermen, as well as livestock which graze the site under license. Temporary measures to make safe existing holes in the riverbank will be undertaken, however, the priority stretch is in urgent need of complete replacement. Officers have requested an out of cycle decision to ensure the procurement of these urgent works. The procurement will involve a tender, design, consultation, consents and construction phase and delay in securing approval will set back the programme. In addition the works are adjacent to the river and in the flood plain so works could be subject to additional delay due to seasonal flooding. It is unlikely work would be complete by the scheduled date of March 2014 if a decision was delayed until the next committee.

The Executive Councillor's decision(s):

- i. Approved the tendering and letting of a contract for a design and build of a river bank restoration programme at Stourbridge Common.
- ii. Approved the spending of £100k in year 2013/14.
- iii. Approved the preparation of future capital bids for future works along the Stourbridge Common river bank.

Reasons for the decision:

As set out in the Officers Report

Scrutiny consideration:

The Executive Councillor and Spokesperson were consulted prior to the decision being made.

Report:

See attached memo.

Conflicts of interest:

No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor

Comments:

None