

Cabinet
24 October 2026
5.00pm – 8.15pm

Present: Councillors Thornburrow (Chair), Moore (Vice-Chair), Bird, Gawthroe Wood, Nestor, Smart and Todd-Jones

Councillors in attendance:

Councillors Bennett, Bick, Davison, Dazell, Glasberg and Young

Officers Present:

Chief Executive: Robert Pollock

Chief Financial Officer: Jody Etherington

Communities Director: Sam Scharf

Assistant Director, Development: Ben Binns

Assistant Director, People & Change: Hannah Ralph

Assistant Director, Public Realm and Environment: Alistair Wilson

Head of Strategy and Policy: David Kidston

Head of Governance & Democracy (Deputy Monitoring Officer): Dan Kalley

Biodiversity Manager: Guy Belcher

Drainage and Flood Resilience Manager: Rachel Veysey

Planning Policy Manager: Jonathan Dixon

Environmental Health Manager and Public Safety Lead: Yvonne O'Donnell,

Deputy Democratic Services Manager: Claire Tunnicliffe

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

River Cam, Chalk Streams and Tributaries – Strategic Review and Environmental Projects

Recommendation of the Cabinet, which met on 24 September 2026, is outlined below:

Cabinet **resolved unanimously** to approve the recommendation on to Full Council.

Accordingly, Council is recommended to:

Approve an increase in the Jesus Green River wall project budget from the £850,000 approved in October 2024 to a maximum of £2.441 million, to enable the stabilisation and replacement works to proceed and the competitive procurement process to commence.

Further recommendations attached in update report include:

Approve the additional capital provision being funded from reserves, with financing implications incorporated into the Council's Medium-Term Financial Strategy