

West Sussex County Council

Proposed Executive Decision for **8 October 2024** call-in deadline **5 p.m. on 17 October 2024**

The following proposed decision has been endorsed by the Cabinet Member and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period unless the call-in procedure is activated.

Decision Title & Ref No:	Allocation of Funding - Preliminary and detailed design phase of Chichester City Centre (North/East streets) Public Realm Improvement SSED03(24/25)
Cabinet Member responsible for decision	Cabinet Member for Support Services and Economic Development (Cllr Steve Waight)
Electoral Divisions	Chichester East; Chichester North; Chichester South; Chichester West
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	<p>The Chichester Growth Programme (2018), Chichester Vision (2017) and Chichester Regeneration Strategy (draft 2024) identified public realm improvement schemes along the pedestrianised zone of North and East Street.</p> <p>Investment is required to address long term increased maintenance liabilities to the County Council; and increase footfall, dwell time and spend in the city centre. A redesigned space will help to stimulate regeneration and economic growth in Chichester. It will support a vibrant high street, social wellbeing and encourage a pride of place.</p> <p>Part of the programme includes the installation of fibre ducting which will support small businesses and economic growth.</p>
Decision	<p>The Cabinet Member for Support Services and Economic Development, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport, has:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approved the initiation of a preliminary and detailed design phase to support the development of the scheme, as outlined in paragraph 1.5 and Appendix A of the report.2. Approved the commencement of a public engagement process to inform and guide the design phase.3. Approved the allocation of £0.542m to complete the detailed design and all associated enabling works in preparation for a full business case, which will seek approval of the remaining capital budget required for the scheme's delivery.
Interest and nature of interest declared	None declared.

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Background papers	See report for details