

Ref:

Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Cabinet Member

Councillor Reece Pugh

Relevant Portfolio:

Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Date of Decision:

28 July 2022

Subject:

Ramsgate Future Levelling up Fund Projects Third Party Grants

Key Decision

Yes

In Forward Plan

Yes

Brief summary of matter:

One project within the successful Ramsgate Levelling Up Fund was the delivery of Access to Opportunities provision within Newington, which includes the creation of a training kitchen facility. As the monies are limited, the project needs to be based within an existing building, and the most suitable site identified is the Newington Community Centre.

The Community Centre is leased to Newington Community Association who have agreed that, with support from Thanet District Council, they can directly deliver this project. With Thanet District Council being the accountable body for the funding streams, these funds will be passed onto the third party via a grant, to enable delivery.

Decision made:

Cabinet agreed the following:

1. To approve the use of Grants which exceed £250,000 to third parties to deliver the agreed Department of Levelling Up Housing and Communities funded project:
 - Up to £500,000 to Newington Community Association to deliver the Access to Opportunities Project in Newington Community Centre;
2. The grant agreement is signed under Deed, by the Interim Head of Legal & Monitoring Officer, and the Acting Deputy Chief Executive & S151 Officer, and is witnessed by a Member of the Council.

Reasons for decision:

To enable delivery of the already agreed Levelling Up Fund Project for Newington.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

If this grant is not allocated to the Newington Community Association the Council will need to identify another delivery partner in order to deliver the project, or there would be

a requirement to return the funding, and the benefits associated with this project would not be achieved.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by any executive Member who has been consulted and of any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee:

None

Author of Officer report:

Louise Askew, Director of Regeneration

Background papers

Cabinet LUF Newington July - Google Docs
FINAL - TDC Template Generic Grant Agreement - Google Docs

Statement if decision is an urgent one and therefore not subject to call-in:

None

Last date for call in: 5 August 2022