

## **Record of Officer Decision**

### **Pavilion Lease Surrender**

#### **Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:**

In the absence of the Director of Pride in Place, the Chief Executive on 28 October 2024, following consultation with the Leader of the Council, the Cabinet Member for Place Development and Economic Growth and the Director of Finance.

#### **Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:**

On 13 February 2024, the Cabinet made the following decision:

1. To delegate to the Director of Pride in Place, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Place Development and Economic Growth and the Director of Finance, agreement of the final heads of terms for the surrender of the lease in respect of the Pavilion;
2. That the Director of Pride Place seek expressions of interest from investors and occupiers, to work with the Council for uses aligned to the Torquay Town Investment Plan 2020 with this process to begin before the end of February 2024; and
3. That the Director of Pride in Place prepares a funding strategy for the restoration of the Pavilion.

Since the Cabinet meeting, negotiations have been ongoing with Marina Development Limited to secure the surrender of the lease. Acceptable terms have been reached and the lease has been surrendered, thereby giving affect to 1. above.

#### **Decision Taken:**

That the lease held by Marina Development Limited for Torquay Pavilion be surrendered.

#### **Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken:**

Torquay Pavilion had been allocated £2 million towards its restoration, from the Torquay Town Deal. This funding was intended to support the ultimate restoration of the Pavilion to allow the building to be returned to an active life contributing to the vibrancy of the Torquay harbour area in line with the objectives of the Torquay Town Deal.

#### **Summary of Alternatives or Options considered and rejected and Background Papers:**

There were no other options considered, as the decision made by Cabinet set out the course of action to be taken.

#### **Details of any conflict of interest and dispensation granted to the Officer taking the decision or by any Member of the Council in delegating responsibility for any specific express delegation:**

None

**Implementation:**

The decision will be implemented immediately.

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Chief Executive)