

Record of Officer Decision

Capital Plan Updates - January 26

Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:

Director of Finance in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Finance on 11 March 2026.

Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:

Updates to the Capital Investment Plan in respect of the following projects:

- Chill'd Out Refurbishment
- Combe Pafford Redesignation
- Whiterock (Plot 8115)

Decision Taken:

Chill'd Out:

- i) that the Director of Finance include the Chill'd Out project to the Capital Plan as a Tier 1 Capital project and allocate £67,091 awarded grant funds to refurbish the asset in line with the terms and conditions of the grant and;
- ii) pursuant to the above, the Director of Finance enter into a contract with MW Benney to facilitate the delivery of the Chill'd Out capital works as outlined in the bid and set out in Paragraph 2.2 of the submitted business case.

Combe Pafford:

- i) that the Combe Pafford project be added to the Capital Investment plan as a Tier 2 capital project and the Director of Finance allocate £50,000 from the Children's Services Higher Needs Provision Capital Allocation (HNCPA) to facilitate the feasibility, surveys, design and tender process to inform the Full Business Case;
- ii) that the Director of Finance authorise a contribution of £100,000 from the HNCPA via a Funding Agreement to Combe Pafford to support the Academy delivering urgent works for additional security and sensory areas; and
- iii) that the Director of Finance establish a reserve of £200,000 from the HNCPA for future works to be agreed as Phase 2 and managed via a Funding Agreement or an addendum to the Full Business Case.

Whiterock (Plot 8115):

- i) That the Director of Finance rescinds the decision taken on the 9th September 2025 in relation to the £90,000 Levelling Up Funds (LUF) allocation for feasibility at Whiterock and, instead, fund the initial feasibility utilising the revenue feasibility fund.

Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken:

All projects were reviewed and deemed to be strategically advantageous and satisfactorily

compliant in terms of their feasibility and levels of risk to enable them to progress.

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

The projects could be put on hold or cancelled and the grant funding received for them could be returned to central government.

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:

This decision will be implemented immediately.

A copy of this decision and any supporting documentation considered by the Officer taking this decision may also be available for inspection by the public at the Council's offices or posted upon payment of any copying and postage charges. Any member of the public wishing to take up either of these options is asked to please ring (01803) 207087 or email governance.support@torbay.gov.uk

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Director of Finance)