

Record of Officer Decision

Capital Plan Updates - May 26

Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:

Director of Finance, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Finance, on 05 June 2026.

Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:

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

- Combe Pafford Redesignation project
- Sherwell Valley Primary Salix project
- Family Time Service Relocation
- Energy Efficiency and PV Programme
- Torbay Tec Park (Westfield)

Decision Taken:

- i) The Director of Finance in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Finance increase the Combe Pafford Redesignation project budget to £605,000 utilising the Children's Higher Needs Capital allocation
- ii) That the Director of Finance in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Finance approve an additional grant allocation of £115,000 to Combe Pafford School to facilitate the delivery of Phase 1b, utilising Children's Higher Needs Capital allocation. This is to be formalised with the school via a Grant Funding Agreement.
- iii) That the Director of Finance reduce the reserve of Higher Needs Capital Allocation previously allocated to Combe Pafford Phase 2 from £200,000 to £100,000
- iv) That the Director of Finance in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Finance increase the Sherwell Valley Primary School Salix project budget to a total of £433,071, comprising £311,600 from the Salix Grant allocation, £102,110 from the Children's Services R&M Budget allocation and £19,361 from the Climate Initiative Fund.
- v) That the Director of Finance in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing include the Family Time Relocation project into the Capital Plan as Tier 1 Capital Project and progress with design and procurement up to a Full Business Case (FBC), utilising a initial budget of £16,500 from the Higher Needs Capital Allocations.
- vi) That the Director of Finance in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing approve an overall budget of £729,560 for the Energy Efficiency and PV Programme, comprising £439,310 from the Climate Initiative Funding allocation, £280,000 from the one-off existing Climate Fund allocation and £10,250 from school contributions.
- vii) That the Director of Finance in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing approve delegated authority to the Divisional Director, Pride in Place Strategy to approve financial cases and legal agreements with individual sites in relation to phases 1 and 2 of the Efficiency and PV Programme.

viii) That the Director of Finance in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing reprofile the in-phase budget for the Paignton Tec Park Project from £3,225,000 to £2,593,027 to reflect the lower acquisition cost incurred and facilitate the detailed design and procurement activities up to Full Business Case (FBC).

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.

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Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Director of Finance)