

RECORD OF INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE DECISION MADE BY AN OFFICER

Decision Maker	Decision Type	Date
Director of Environment	Administrative Decision	28 Nov 2024

Failsworth Tow Path, Section 106 Improvements

Exempt/Confidential Report	No
Key Decision ¹	No

Decision (s) ²

- To approve the allocation of £33,253.83 resources secured through Section 106 planning obligations from DB389 Land at Failsworth Mill (PA/337967) (plus interest accrued) to fund improvements along a section of Failsworth Tow Path between Bridge 79-78D.
- Delegation is also sought to award contracts following procurement exercises carried out for elements that will not be carried out in-house or by nominated delivery partners.
- 3. To progress the programme of path improvement works, clear-ups and greenspace improvements & planting involving the local community and install biodiverse floating islands to the canal.

Reasons for the decision(s)³

To seek approval for the allocation of resources secured through Section 106 planning obligations from DB389 Land at Failsworth Mill (PA/337967) to fund improvements along a section of Failsworth Tow Path between Bridge 79-78D. Delegation is also sought to award contracts following procurement exercises carried out for elements that will not be carried out in-house or by nominated delivery partners.

¹ If the decision is Key Please use Key Decision Template.

² Brief details of the décision should be inserted. This note must set out the substance of the decision, options considered and the reason for deciding on the chosen option, although care must be taken not to disclose any confidential or exempt information. Please include proposed timescales for commencement and / or completion of implementation as appropriate.

³ Reasons for the decision must be given.



Options/Alternatives considered ⁴

- 1. Do nothing: this would mean that the funds would need to be returned to the developer and the terms of the S106 agreement would not be complied with.
- 2. Transfer the funds to Canal and Rivers Trust to add to management costs already in place for the maintenance of the path.
- 3. Use the S106 funds to deliver a scheme along the canal tow path that enhance the tow path environment, that creates biodiversity and environmental improvements and encourages increased engagement with greenspace and active travel along this route. This is the preferred option.

Conflict of Interest declared⁵

None

(Signature of Director)

Decision made pursuant to:

a) General delegation under the Council's officer scheme of delegation. Non-contract decisions up to £250k.

⁴ Options must be given.

⁵ If none, please state none. No Member having a disclosable pecuniary interest or officer having an interest in any matter (whether pecuniary or otherwise required to be declared) should take a decision in relation to that matter. Other interests of a non-disqualifying nature should be recorded here. Any dispensation in place in relation to the matter should also be recorded here. This may include other elected Members, officers, stakeholders and the local community.

