

OFFICER DELEGATION SCHEME RECORD OF OPERATIONAL DECISION



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Date: 14 th July 2020	Ref No: 218
Type of Operational Decision:	
Executive Decision	<input type="text" value="Y"/>
Council Decision	<input type="text"/>
Status: For publication	
Title/Subject matter: To vire £6775 from the Community Climate Capital fund to cover part of the cost for the provision of new enclosures for the air monitoring stations at Radcliffe and Prestwich.	
Budget/Strategy/Policy/Compliance – Is the decision:	
(i) within an Approved Budget	Y
(ii) not in conflict with Council Policy	Y
(iii) not raising new issues of Policy	Y
Equality Impact Assessment [Does this decision change policy, procedure or working practice or negatively impact on a group of people? If yes – complete EIA and summarise issues identified and recommendations – forward EIA to Corporate HR]	The new enclosures will not have a negative impact on a group of people.

Details of Operational Decision Taken *[with reasons]*:

To vire **£6775** from the Community Capital Climate fund into the Air Monitoring capital budget (code XE00002) to supplement the existing **£9291** and fund essential new plinths, electrical work and enclosures for the air monitoring stations at Radcliffe and Prestwich.

The total costs are as follows: -


Role	Cost (starting SCP)
Provide and install enclosures	£12,066
Provide new plinths and electrical connections	£4000
Total	£16066

Reasons

- The air monitoring stations at Radcliffe and Prestwich provide accurate air quality data at the roadside of two major routes in our borough namely the A665 and the A56.
- Both monitoring sites are part of the Greater Manchester Air Quality Monitoring network and in 2019 were provided with new analysers to monitor both particulates and nitrogen dioxide.
- Unfortunately the enclosures that house the analysers are more than 10 years old and have started to allow the ingress of water. This issue threatens to damage the new equipment beyond repair and therefore a solution is required.
- The repair of the old enclosures cannot be guaranteed to work effectively and therefore it is felt the most suitable long term solution is to provide new enclosures for both sites.
- The new analysers provided in the monitoring stations in 2019 are slightly larger than the ones they replaced and therefore when replacing the enclosure there is an opportunity to provide a slightly larger enclosure which will allow easier access to the analysers for calibration and servicing etc.
- The cost for the provision and installation of the new enclosures is £12066
- We will also need to provide a slightly larger concrete plinth for the new stations to sit on. This is likely to involve removal of the old plinths and provision of a new larger plinths with appropriate electrical connections provided. This work will be put out to tender in the next few weeks and is estimated to cost £4000 at the most.
- There is currently a capital budget from old grant funding for air monitoring equipment that stands at £9291. The proposal is to use this to cover most of the cost. However we will need another £6775 and it is proposed that this is taken from the Community Climate Capital Fund. The Community Climate Capital Fund is a fund announced as part of the manifesto response to the declaration of a Climate Emergency.

Rationale

The virement is deemed appropriate as the stations measure pollution from traffic at the side of two major routes in Prestwich and Radcliffe and in doing so they help to protect the health of those local communities,. The measurements taken are also used to validate the accuracy of air quality modelling which has been carried out as part of the development of the Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan – These stations are therefore contributing to the protection of health and the environment throughout our borough.

Decision taken by:	Signature:	Date:
Executive Director Operations – Donna Ball		16/07/2020
Joint Chief Financial Officer (CCG & LA)		
Head of Workforce – Simon Bagley		
Members Consulted [see note 1 below]		
Cabinet Member, Environment – Alan Quinn		
Lead Member		
Opposition Spokesperson		

Notes

1. It is not generally a requirement to consult with any Members on Operational Decisions but where a Chief Officer considers it necessary to consult with the appropriate Executive Member and/or Lead Member, they must sign the form so as to confirm that they have been consulted and that they agree with the proposed action. The signature of the Opposition Spokesperson should be obtained to confirm that he/she has been consulted.
2. **This form must not be used for urgent decisions.**