

# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL –PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

**DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:**

David Brazier, Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport

**DECISION NO:**

22/00111

For publication

Key decision: YES

**Subject Matter / Title of Decision**

Folkestone – A Brighter Future – Levelling Up Fund Round 2 bid

**Decision:**

As Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport, subject to a successful bid to Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) for Levelling Up Fund Round 2 (LUF2) for £19,791,819 to deliver the Folkestone – A Brighter Future scheme, I agree to:

- I. Delegate to the Corporate Director of Finance the authority to enter into a delivery partner agreement with Folkestone and Hythe District Council, to deliver the transport and public realm elements of the Folkestone – A Brighter Future scheme aimed at improving gateway to town centre, public realm and town centre connections.
- II. Delegate to the Corporate Director of Growth, Environment & Transport the authority to enter into the appropriate land and development agreements, commission detailed design and relevant surveys and the award of the construction contract, and all other acts and consents and any subsidiary contracts required to allow the scheme to be implemented.
- III. Delegate to the Corporate Director of Growth, Environment & Transport, under the Officer Scheme of Delegations following prior consultation with the Cabinet Member, any further or other decisions as may be appropriate to deliver the Folkestone – A Brighter Future LUF scheme.

**Reason(s) for decision:**

Authority to enter in to a delivery partner agreement with Folkestone and Hythe District Council so that KCC act as the delivery partner for the transport and public realm elements of the Folkestone – A Brighter Future Levelling Up Fund Round 2 bid. This will enable the scheme design and construction to be progressed.

**Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:**

The proposal is being considered by Members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 19 January 2023.

**Any alternatives considered and rejected:**

The option to not act as delivery partner for the scheme was discarded as this would jeopardise the delivery of the scheme and therefore carry reputational risk for KCC.

**Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:**

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signed

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