

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Roger Gough

Leader of the Council

DECISION NO:

20/00085

For publication Yes

Key decision* Yes

Subject: Investment of Getting Building Funding in KCC-delivered projects

Decision:

As Leader of the Council I agree to:

Accept the Getting Building Funding under the SELEP terms and conditions.

Agree that the Getting Building Funding (GBF) will be used to support the already approved KCC projects that the South East Local Enterprise Partnership's Strategic Board prioritised to receive GBF at its board meeting on 16 July 2020.

Delegate management of the funding and arrangement for the additional GBF money to the Corporate Director for Growth, Environment and Transport, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member.

Reason(s) for decision:

Getting Building Funding was announced by Government on 10th June 2020. The funding is part of the Government's plan to deliver upgrades to local infrastructure and boost skills and help fuel a green economic recovery by investing in shovel-ready housing and infrastructure projects, creating jobs and supporting economic recovery.

This key decision is required to enable grant agreements to be entered into so that additional Government funding may be secured for these projects. Due to the terms and conditions of the Government's Getting Building Fund, this funding can only be spent on these specific projects.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:**Any alternatives considered:**

If Kent County Council were to choose to not enter into a grant agreement for the GBF projects selected by the SELEP Strategic Board, the GBF funding could be either (i) retained by central government or (ii) reallocated to other projects by the SELEP Strategic Board not necessarily within Kent and Medway.

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



Signed

4 September 2020

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