

# Decision Recording Form

Decisions determined at the Strategy and Resources  
Policy Committee meeting on 16 September 2024



**Committee members present:**

Councillor Tony Dyer, Chair

Councillor John Goulandris

Councillor Ellie King

Councillor Heather Mack

Councillor Abdul Malik

Councillor Tom Renhard

Councillor Tim Rippington

Councillor Ani Stafford-Townsend

Councillor Sarah Classick (substitute for Councillor Caroline Gooch)

**Apologies:** Councillor Caroline Gooch

*Deadline for Escalation Panel referral – not applicable*

<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	Transformation Programme Quarterly Update (agenda item 7)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b>	None
<b>(d)</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>	The Committee <b>RESOLVED:</b> To note the background update report on the 'Top 4' Transformation Programmes.



<b>(e)</b>	<b>Exempt Information?</b>  Open
<b>(f)</b>	<b>Decision made in exempt session?</b>  No
<b>(g)</b>	<b>Additional information at the meeting/documents taken into account:</b>  None
<b>(h)</b>	<b>Reason for decision:</b>  As set out in the report.



*Deadline for Escalation Panel referral – not applicable*

<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	Property Transformation Programme Update – September 2024 (agenda item 8)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b>  None	
<b>(d)</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>  The Committee <b>RESOLVED:</b> 1. To note that the report states that the Property Programme’s financial objectives include £1.248m of recurring revenue savings, £749k of one-off savings, and £21.6m of capital receipts in 2024/25.  2. To note that the report states that as per baselining at CLB on 14 May 2024, the Property Programme budget is £4.781m (plus £517k contingency held by CLB).  3. To note that the report states that as per baselining at CLB on 14 May 2024, no funding has been approved for 2025/26. The budget request for 2025/26 is subject to change and will be requested via CLB.	
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<b>(f)</b>	<b>Decision made in exempt session?</b>  No	



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<b>(h)</b>	<b>Reason for decision:</b>  As set out in the report.



*Deadline for Escalation Panel referral – not applicable*

<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	Property Working Group - Property assets review: surplus asset and disposal process (agenda item 9)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b>  None	
<b>(d)</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>  The Committee <b>RESOLVED</b> (unanimously): To note the report and further details supplied in Appendix A and to approve the recommended approach and Terms of Reference for the group.	
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<b>(h)</b>	<b>Reason for decision:</b>  As set out in the report.	



*Deadline for Escalation Panel referral – not applicable*

<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	Establishment of Culture Working Group (agenda item 10)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b>  None	
<b>(d)</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>  The Committee <b>RESOLVED</b> (unanimously): To note the report and officer recommendations and to proceed to establish a working group for Culture, and to adopt the terms of reference subject to further discussions amongst the working group itself.	
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<b>(f)</b>	<b>Decision made in exempt session?</b>  No	
<b>(g)</b>	<b>Additional information at the meeting/documents taken into account:</b>  None	
<b>(h)</b>	<b>Reason for decision:</b>  As set out in the report.	





*Deadline for Escalation Panel referral – not applicable*

<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	Arts Council England MEND 1 (Museum Estate Development Fund) funding (agenda item 11)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b>	None
<b>(d)</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>	The Committee <b>RESOLVED:</b> To note the officer decision taken on 12 August 2024 on additional expenditure of £150,000 to complete MEND Round 1 building works as outlined in the report.
<b>(e)</b>	<b>Exempt Information?</b>	Open
<b>(f)</b>	<b>Decision made in exempt session?</b>	No
<b>(g)</b>	<b>Additional information at the meeting/documents taken into account:</b>	None
<b>(h)</b>	<b>Reason for decision:</b>	As set out in the report.







*Deadline for Escalation Panel referral – 5pm 23 September 2024*

<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	The future of the Bottle Yard Studios (agenda item 12)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<p><b>Declarations of interest:</b></p> <p>Councillor Renhard declared an interest in this item as follows: He is a member of Bristol Energy Cooperative, who invest in the solar array at the Bottle Yard studios. Councillor Renhard left the meeting and was not present for this item of business.</p>	
<b>(d)</b>	<p><b>Decision taken</b></p> <p>In relation to recommendation 1, the Committee <b>RESOLVED</b> (5 members voting in favour, and 3 against): To approve the proposal to identify a purchaser of the long leasehold interest of The Bottle Yard Studios.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The report included a second recommendation as follows: Recommendation 2: That the Committee authorises the Executive Director for Growth and Regeneration, in consultation with the Leader, Director of Finance and the Director of Legal Services, to settle the terms of disposal and negotiate (as necessary) the final terms of contract, subject to any condition or requirements set by the Committee.</p> <p>A decision on recommendation 2 was not reached/taken at the meeting. The meeting was adjourned on the basis that the committee could reconvene to consider this matter further.</p>	



<b>(e)</b>	<b>Exempt Information?</b>  Part exempt 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)
<b>(f)</b>	<b>Decision made in exempt session?</b>  No
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<b>(h)</b>	<b>Reason for decision:</b>  As set out in the report.



*Deadline for Escalation Panel referral – 5pm 23 September 2024*

<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	Cyber Security Maturity Assessment and procurement of a managed service (agenda item 13)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b>	None
<b>(d)</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>	<p>The Committee <b>RESOLVED</b> (unanimously):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To authorise the Director: Policy, Strategy and Digital in consultation with the Chair of the Strategy and Resources Committee, Director of Finance (S151 officer) and Director of Legal &amp; Democratic Services to procure and award a Managed Extended Defence and Response contract, in-line with the maximum budget envelopes outlined in the report, subject to identification of funding within the Medium Term Financial Plan and the setting of the council's budget for 2025/26.</li> <li>2. To authorise the Director: Policy, Strategy and Digital to invoke any subsequent extensions or variations specifically defined in the contract(s) being awarded, up to the maximum budget envelope outlined in the report.</li> </ol>
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<b>(f)</b>	<b>Decision made in exempt session?</b>	No



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<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	Financial Debt and Arrears across the Council (agenda item 14)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b>  None	
<b>(d)</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>  The Committee <b>RESOLVED:</b> To note the report.	
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<b>(a)</b>	<b>Subject:</b>	Period 4 Finance Outturn Report (agenda item 15)
<b>(b)</b>	<b>Ward:</b>	Citywide
<b>(c)</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b>  None	
<b>(d)</b>	<b>Decision taken</b>  The Committee <b>RESOLVED:</b> To note: 1. The council's unchanged General Fund forecast outturn revenue overspend of £22.3 million at P4 2024/25 against the council approved budget of £533.7 million. 2. The unchanged performance on delivery of savings (Appendix A1, Section 3, Tables 2a and 2b). 3. The unchanged additional weighted net risk of £10.5 million per the risks and opportunities register (Appendix A1, Section 4, Tables 3a and 3b). 4. The council's outturn position of £12.5 million overspend within the Housing Revenue Account to be transferred to the HRA general reserve at the year end (Appendix A1, Section 5.2). 5. The council's outturn position of a net £13.0 million overspend in the Dedicated Schools Grant following the application of the DfE's 24/25 Safety Valve combined with contribution from the General Fund and that a total £50.1 million is forecast to be carried forward at the year end in the DSG deficit reserve (Appendix A1, Section 5.3). 6. The unchanged breakeven position on Public Health services (Appendix A1, Section 5.4). 7. The unchanged breakeven position on the Bristol Harbour Fund. (Appendix A1, Section 5.5). 8. The council's unchanged forecast underspend of £6.4 million against the Capital Programme revised budget 2024/25, comprised of £7.0 million underspend on the General Fund and £0.6 million overspend on the HRA. (Appendix A1, Section 6).	



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