
SUBJECT:	Station Road Car Park, Gerrards Cross.
REPORT OF:	Resources Portfolio Holder – Cllr Egleton
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REPORT AUTHOR	Head of Environment
WARD/S AFFECTED	Primarily Gerrards Cross

1. Purpose of Report

The approval for a further £40,000 for consultancy fees to facilitate the multi-storey car park project

RECOMMENDATION

Cabinet to confirm the further expenditure of £40,000 for consultancy fees to support the business case and any subsequent procurement for the Gerrards Cross Car Park development.

2. Reasons for Recommendations

The project to consider developing the multi storey car park in Gerrards Cross is progressing well. Since the Cabinet report of the 20th April the project management resource has been procured from Pick Everard under the “Scape Framework”. Officers are working towards producing a business case for the consideration at the September Resources PAG, and preparing to be in the position to swiftly progress a procurement if the business case is approved. The £40,000 will enable essential preparatory work including quantity surveying work, contract documentation and legal advice to feed into the business case, and draft contract documentation. All of this will be procured under the framework from Pick Everard.

3. Consultation

Public Consultation to take place in due course depending on final decisions taken.

4. Options

Some of the work could be deferred until after formal approval of the business case, but this would impact on the procurement timetable.

5. Corporate Implications

The resource implication arising from this report at this time is the estimated fees for preliminary works for the business case and procurement will be £105,000 which will be spent up to the September Resources PAG. These preliminary costs are in line with what would be expected for a project of this scale.

6. Links to Council Policy Objectives

6.1 The matter is related to the Council's corporate aim to deliver cost effective customer focused services

6.2 This report also progresses the aims of the Council's asset management plan

7. Next Steps

If agreed the next steps would be:

1. The business case to be considered at the September PAG.
2. Subject to approval of the business case to then proceed to the procurement phase of the project, details of which would be included with the report to members in September.

Background Papers:	Cabinet Report April 2016.
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