

DECISION OF DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

DECISION NO. 15/16 – 16/17 DE 262

<u>SUBJECT:</u> Authorisation of Head of Streets and Open Spaces to approve Legal Proceedings to be submitted to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

<u>Background:</u> The Head of Streets and Open Spaces should be approved to authorise cases to be submitted to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services whether they be for prosecution or a simple caution, action of this sort follows a breach of legislation.

<u>DECISION:</u> That authority be delegated to the Head of Streets and Open Spaces to approve submission of a case to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to take a prosecution, or issue a simple caution, or any other function or power available to the Council under the Acts, Regulations, or Orders that any officers within the Streets and Open Spaces service are authorised to enforce.

Reasons: In cases where informal action has failed, or is inappropriate the Council, having considered its Enforcement policy, can take formal action. Under the Scheme of Delegation an officer other than the Director must be approved by the Director of Development and Environment to act on behalf of the Authority. The Head of Legal and Democratic Services is authorised to institute all legal proceedings on behalf of the Council.

<u>Other Alternatives Considered</u>: There are no alternatives as the Scheme of Delegation requires the authorisation of a suitably qualified officer to perform these duties, the failure to authorise would compromise the ability of the Council to perform its statutory functions.

Risk Assessment: None required.

<u>Financial Implications</u>: The decision is within the relevant budget of the Directorate (including phased capital budget) and the relevant revenue and capital budget, and the Directorate's overall budget is not projected to be overspent.

Implications for Future Years: None.	
Signed Munifold	Director of Development and Environment
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