



## Overview & Scrutiny Board

9 December 2015

## REPORT

**Subject Heading:**

Requisition of a Cabinet decision regarding Romford Market Transformation Programme.

**Cabinet Member:**

**Cllr Robert Benham** Cabinet Member for the Environment

**CMT Lead:**

**Andrew Blake-Herbert**  
Group Director for Communities & Resources

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**Policy context:**

Havering Council Corporate Plan 2015-16: Using our influence to “Regenerate Romford Market to bring in new traders and attract more shoppers”

**Financial summary:**

As shown in Cabinet report attached at Appendix B.

**The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives**

Havering will be clean and its environment will be cared for	[X]
People will be safe, in their homes and in the community	[X]
Residents will be proud to live in Havering	[X]

## SUMMARY

In accordance with paragraph 17 of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee Rules, a requisition signed by two Members representing more than one Group (Councillors Ray Morgon & Keith Darvill) have called in the Cabinet decision of 18 November 2015.

## RECOMMENDATION

**That the Board considers the requisition of the decision of the Cabinet Decision and determines whether to uphold it.**

## REPORT DETAIL

At its meeting on 18 November 2015 Cabinet:

1. Endorsed the main proposals developed with the assistance of consultants 20:20 Ltd, as identified in section 4 of the report and tasked officers to progress implementation.
2. **Authorised** officers to engage with traders, retailers and partners in the delivery of the changes described in the report.
3. **Delegated** authority to the Group Director of Communities and Resources in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment to finalise the grant application for capital investment in the market to the Mayor of London' s London Regeneration fund.
4. **Delegated** authority to the Cabinet Member for Environment and the Group Director of Communities and Resources to submit further funding applications (e.g. Veolia and HLF) or to other funding sources relating to the market and Market Place consistent with the programme outlined in the report.
5. **Noted** the appointment of architects to cost and develop full proposals for the physical development of the Market Place and to **recommend to Council** the allocation of £1m Council Capital funding of the programme subject to securing sufficient match-funding from other sources subject to a business case being signed off by the Finance Business Partner and Group Director, Communities & Resources, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment.

6. **Agreed** to utilise transformational funding to support the market transformation programme as part of the Council' s ' invest to save' model and **authorised** the Group Director of Communities and Resources to release funds accordingly, subject to both the Group Director and Finance Business Partner signing-off a business case in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment.

**Reasons for the requisition:**

A requisition was received on 25 November 2015, signed by Councillors Morgon & Darvill. The reasons for the requisition are as shown in appendix A.

**Background Papers List**

Appendix A - Details of Requisition  
Appendix B - Cabinet Report 18 November 2015