

GENERAL EXCEPTION PROVISIONS RELATING TO KEY DECISIONS

(STANDING ORDER 54(6) REGULATION 10 NOTICE)

NB: This procedure is subject to the 5 clear day's notice rule (five weekdays i.e. five periods of 24 hours running from midnight to midnight excluding the day the relevant Director informs the Chairman of Scrutiny/Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee or in the Chairman's absence, every Member of the Scrutiny/Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee) of the proposal(s).

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Report Title: Roof Renewal and External Wall Cladding at Dartford Football Club, Princes Park, Dartford, Kent

Date of Cabinet Meeting: 29 October 2026

Originator (Name and Directorate): Mark Leader, Head of Property Services/ Growth & Community
Ext:

Details of any Member/Officer interest known:

A. Key Decision(s) Proposed:

The external wall cladding to the façade of the football club main building has reached end of life, so too the roof covering and these are now in need to be replaced. During the survey and investigation phase the extent of repair exceeded the original expectation and the estimated cost of work, provided by the consultant surveyors, is £900,000.

Under DBC's Standing Orders Cabinet is requested to decide whether to proceed to let the contract for the tendered works.

There is an identified Capital budget for these works of £607,000. Further funding not exceeding £300,000 is required from reserves to fully fund the works.

Please see attached report for details of key decision(s) to be taken by the Cabinet or Officer under delegated authority

B. Reasons for General Exception (i.e. Originator to state reasons why proposed decision(s) has to be taken by a particular date therefore making it impracticable to defer the proposal(s) until it has been included in the next Regulation 9 Notice)

The roof and cladding have reached the end of their anticipated lives and now need replacing and the contract is ready to be awarded and will exceed the threshold for a key decision.

Signed:

Dated: 19/10/26

Title: Deputy Chief Executive (Growth & Community)

AND

Signed:

Leader of the Council

Dated: 19/10/26

C. I, Councillor Brian Garden, Chairman of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee, have been informed by the relevant Director that the taking of the key decision(s) as outlined in A. cannot reasonably be deferred for inclusion in the Regulation 9 Notice for the reasons detailed in B.

Signed:

Dated: 19/10/26

Title: Chairman of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee

D. Copies to be distributed by Democratic Services following Notice referred to in C. above

Originating Officer (to receive confirmation of notice);
Democratic Services to;

- receive confirmation of notice in C.; and
- publication on the Council's website; and

- include General Exception Form as an Appendix to the report to the Cabinet; and if applicable, copy every Member of [Scrutiny Committee] [Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee] in accordance with C.; and
 - report to the next scheduled meeting of the [Scrutiny Committee] [Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee] [refer to C.] in accordance with Standing Order 54(6)(e).
- NB:** The Originator must complete B, as to reasons for General Exception and must obtain the relevant Director's signature in B. The Originator is also responsible for ensuring that this form is passed onto the Democratic Services Manager for the purposes of obtaining the Chairman's signature at C, or where appropriate, for copying to every Member of the [Scrutiny Committee] [Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee].