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## EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 19 DECEMBER 2022

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### **EX.158/22 CALDEW RIVERSIDE REMEDIATION** (Key Decision KD.25/22)

**Portfolio** Economy, Enterprise and Housing  
**Relevant Scrutiny Panel** Place Panel

The Economy, Enterprise and Housing Portfolio Holder submitted report ED.33/22 which set out the progress made in understanding the nature of the contamination at the site along with the development of a strategy for its remediation and the implications for the Council as owner of the site. An overview of costs associated with the remediation works was provided and underpinned the recommendation for a budget of £100,000 to support the delivery of the remedial strategy over a three year period.

The Economy, Enterprise and Housing Portfolio Holder welcomed the remediation works, as they would enable the future development of the site and support the upcoming changes in the city centre.

The Economy, Enterprise and Housing Portfolio Holder moved the recommendations which were seconded by the Leader.

**Summary of options rejected** not to allocate funding to the project

### **DECISION**

That the Executive:

1. Noted the contents of the report, including the risk associated with the ownership of the Caldew Riverside site and the proposed approach to its remediation.
2. Noted the support from Homes England in developing a business case to draw down the additional funding required to fully remediate the site and enable it to be developed for housing.
3. Recommend to Council, a budget of over £100,000 over three years (from 2023/24) to be allocated to the project to support the delivery of the proposed remedial strategy.

### **Reasons for Decision**

The remediation and future redevelopment of the Caldew Riverside site will support the delivery of the vision set out in the Carlisle Plan, which is to enable Carlisle to grow and prosper as the capital of the Borderlands region. It also contributes directly to the priority of delivering inclusive and sustainable economic growth, by making Carlisle a more attractive place to live, work, visit and invest.