

Report to: Council



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Seaton Coast Protection Scheme – Funding and proceeding prior to external funding being claimable.

Report summary:

This report sets out the Cabinet recommendation from 4 June 2025 to Council arising from their consideration of a report on the Seaton Coast Protection Scheme funding and proceeding prior to external funding being claimable.

Note: The references in this report to Paper A relate to the relevant report considered by the Cabinet with recommendations for full Council (extraordinary) to consider and are appended to this report for reference.

Is the proposed decision in accordance with:

Budget Yes ☐ No ☒

Policy Framework Yes ☒ No ☐

Recommendation:

That up to £673,000 of the works budget is spent at risk before external funding can be confirmed and claimed in late summer in order for the scheme to be completed within the required timescale.

Reason for recommendation:

To enable the project to proceed. Deferring the project by a year will likely lead to prices increasing further, so it's the last chance to proceed with the current scheme. There is a small chance the scheme can proceed this year without this upfront spend, however the window is small.

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