

ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION

Date of Decision:	7 th November, 2025
Title:	Feasibility Fund Allocation: Regeneration Resourcing and Appointment of Consultants & Contractors for Gateway Full Business Case Preparation
Decision Maker: (Including Job Title)	Andrew Bramidge, Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment
Details of Specific Delegation or Delegation contained in the relevant Sub-Scheme of Delegation.	<u>19 June 2023 Cabinet Meeting</u> – Minute 8 refers. Resolved: 4. That Cabinet delegated the decision to allocate and spend the £3m Feasibility Fund to the Strategic Director for Regeneration & Environment in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Assistant Director Financial Services.
Decision:	To allocate £400,000 of this fund to facilitate the appointment of a multi-disciplinary team and specialist contractor support to drive preparatory work for a Full Business Case in respect of the Rotherham Gateway Project
Reasons for the Decision:	Rotherham Gateway provides a generational opportunity to bring direct mainline rail connectivity to Rotherham. With support for the Outline Business Case progressing, the Council wishes to maintain momentum and begin work on the preparation of the Full Business Case (FBC). To prepare for the development of the FBC a range of specialist and project management support is required. A proposal is made to allocate £400,000 of the Feasibility Fund to facilitate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the appointment of a multi-disciplinary team of consultants to progress preparatory FBC work including consenting & funding strategies and station and access technical design,

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the continued support of a rail specialist contractor to provide technical knowledge to the in-house team, <p>and the temporary appointment of a Programme Director to oversee the delivery of the programme up to and through FBC.</p>
Details of alternative options considered and rejected:	<p>Funding could be sought from alternative sources including Council revenue. This will impact on the wider Council revenue budget, so this option is rejected.</p> <p>Alternatively, the Council could choose to not progress with this additional resource at this time. This, however, would mean the Mainline Station delivery programme would be impacted either ceasing or significantly delaying the progression of the FBC and its associated funding. This option is rejected.</p>
Conflicts of interest declared by any Cabinet Member consulted by the decision maker which relates to the decision:	None
Dispensations Granted: (If any)	None
Conflicts of interest declared by the Decision Maker if they sit as a Cabinet appointed representative to an outside body which relates to the decision:	None
Dispensations Granted: (If any)	None
Reports or parts of reports relevant to the decision being taken:	<p>Officer Delegated Decision Report: Feasibility Fund Allocation: Regeneration Resourcing and Appointment of Consultants & Contractors for Gateway Full Business Case Preparation.</p> <p>Plus appendices: Appendix 1 Climate Impact Assessment Appendix 2 Equalities Impact Assessment</p>

I certify that this is a true record of the executive decision to:

Allocate £400,000 of this fund to facilitate the appointment of a multi-disciplinary team and specialist contractor support to drive preparatory work for a Full Business Case in respect of the Rotherham Gateway Project

I confirm that in making this decision, due regard was given to the seven principles of public life.

Signed by the Decision Maker:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Bramidge', written in a cursive style.

Dated: 7th November, 2025

Name: Andrew Bramidge

Job Title: Strategic Director, Regeneration & Environment