



**Hartlepool**  
Borough Council

## **OFFICER DECISION RECORD**

Department:

Division:

Date Input to System: 27/04/2026

Officer Making Decision: MR M WILTON

Subject / Description &  
Reason for Decision:  
(for publication)

A planning application has been submitted to Hartlepool Development Corporation (HDC) which includes land within the Council's administrative boundary. The planning application reference is HMDC/2025/0071 and relates to land at Maritime Avenue, Fleet Avenue and Mainsforth Terrace. It is possible for the developer to submit an application to each planning authority, but due to the small extent of land that is within the Council's administrative boundary that falls within the application red line, it would be more efficient that the determination is made by one planning authority rather than a cross boundary application. It is therefore proposed to delegate the Council's planning function to the HDC to allow them to determine the entirety of the planning application on this occasion. The Council would still be consulted on any application coming forward through the existing neighbouring authority arrangements.

Type of Decision: Non Key

Nature of Delegation Being Exercised: In line with the constitution it is proposed to use delegation CE8.

In consultation with the Leader (or in his/her absence the Deputy Leader), Chair of the relevant Committee (or in his/her absence Vice Chair(s)) Monitoring Officer and Section 151 Officer, the Chief Executive (or in his/her absence the authorised Executive Director/Director) may take a decision normally reserved to Full Council or a Committee where: (a) Failure to take the decision quickly would, or would be likely to, harm the interests of the Council and the public. (b) The decision is so urgent that it cannot wait until the next meeting of the Committee at which the decision would normally be taken. The decision together with the reason as to why it was determined urgent must be recorded on an Officer Decision Record. The record of urgent decisions will be held by the Democratic Services team and will be made available for inspection. Following the decision, it be reported to the next meeting of the relevant committee explaining: • the decision; • the reasons for it; and • the reasons why the decision was treated as a matter of urgency.

Without using this delegation, part a would apply in that the planning application could not be determined in time.

Alternative Options Considered & Rejected: Considered & Rejected: Given the small errors in the boundary drawing, a cross boundary application would not be suitable as the element of HBC area is too small to have an impact on the wider development.

Any Declared Register of Interest: No

Other Considerations:

## OFFICER WITH THE DELEGATION

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**POSITION:** Chief Executive

## IN CONSULTATION WITH...

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## AUTHORISED BY

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**DATE:** 13/05/2026