

Haringey Council

Written Statement/Record of a decision made by an officer under delegated authority

Decision Maker (Post Title)	Head of Programme Management – Regeneration and Economic Development
Subject of the decision	Approval of contract award to The DJ and MC Academy for delivery of the DJ Academy youth development project
Date of decision	04 th March 2024
Decision	For the Head of Programme Management – Regeneration and Economic Development to approve the contract award and implementation under Contract Standing Order (CSO) 8.02 for delivery of the DJ Academy youth development project. The contract is for the sum of £9,999 excluding VAT.
Reasons for the decision	<p>The Estate Regeneration Fund aims to cultivate a strong and healthy community, particularly focusing on building robust social networks for young people. Media and arts have proven effective in achieving this objective by empowering local communities, especially youth, to foster community cohesion, ownership, and celebrate diversity. This aligns with the Council's ambition outlined in the Corporate Delivery Plan (2023/24) under the theme for Children and Young People.</p> <p>The DJ Academy youth development project directly addresses this objective by providing space and skills development opportunities for young people to connect and advance their talents in music. This innovative initiative aims to empower youth by offering opportunities to develop skills in lyric writing, poetry, DJing, mixing, mastering, and music production, emphasizing collaboration, creative thinking, and empowerment. It provides targeted intervention pathways and a secure space for talent nurturing, fostering partnerships with organizations such as the NHS, Haringey Works, Conel, and Haringey Sixth Form. Additionally, it supports career pathways and work placements, employing an entrepreneurial business model. By focusing on local youth and maintaining a community-centred approach, the project aims to create a lasting impact and strengthen connections between Northumberland Park and the wider community.</p> <p>This work is wholly funded from the Estate Regeneration Fund budget allocation.</p>
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the officer when making the decision	<p>The following options were considered:</p> <p>Option 1: 'Do Nothing' - This would limit the council's ability to work with and empower local communities, particularly young people and those</p>

	young people that are Not in Education or Training (NEETs), to become invested in their area and connected with each other through cultural activities, which is a key objective of the Estate Regeneration Fund and Corporate delivery Plan (2023/24).
<u>Conflicts of interest – Executive decisions</u> Details of any conflict of interest declared by a Cabinet Member who is consulted by the officer which relates to the decision and details of dispensation granted by the Council's Head of Paid Service	None
<u>Conflicts of interest – Non executive decisions</u> Where the decision is taken under an express delegation e.g. by a Committee, the name of any Member who declared a conflict of interest in relation to this matter at the committee meeting,	None
Title of any document(s), including reports, considered by the officer and relevant to the above decision or where only part of the report is relevant to the above decision, that part) These documents need to be attached to the copy of this record/statement kept by the Authority but must not be published if they contain exempt information	None.
Reasons for exemption with reference to categories of exemption specified overleaf or Reason why decision is confidential (see overleaf) Decisions containing exempt or confidential information falling within the categories specified overleaf are not required to be published.	None
Signature of Decision Maker	
Name of Decision Maker	David Lee, Head of Programme Management – Regeneration and Economic Development
Does the decision need to be published	

Yes

No