## RECORD OF DECISION BY CITY MAYOR OR INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE MEMBER

1.	DECISION TITLE	Richard III Visitor Attraction.
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	None
3.	DATE OF DECISION	21 June 2013
4.	DECISION MAKER	City Mayor
5.	DECISION TAKEN	(1) Confirm the visitor attraction design and layout as part of the submission of the planning application and any listed building consent application requirements.  (2) Note the visitor attraction business plan and the revenue income and expenditure projections.  (3) Approve a capital budget for the development of the attraction of £3.985m, to be funded from savings in insurance costs and other spending reductions; and monies already earmarked within the capital programme regeneration provisions, as set out in the financial implications section; and add the scheme to the approved capital programme.  (4) Approve the appointment of Morgan Sindall through the SCAPE EMPA framework for the construction contract.  (5) Note the requirement to procure a specialist exhibition fit out contractor.  (6) Approve further work and the engagement of specialist advice on the operating model options, at an estimated cost of up to £30,000 funded from the City Development and Neighbourhoods budget or reserves.  (7) Approve a budget of £10,000 from the capital programme regeneration provisions for remedial works to the frontage of 6-8 St Martins.
6.	REASON FOR DECISION	In order to progress the development of a high quality Richard III Visitor attraction there is a need to confirm funding and progress the appointment of a contractor.  Specialist advice is required to inform thinking on the operating model for the proposed visitor attraction to enable a decision to be taking on the most advantageous and sustainable model for its future operation.  Presently the building fabric of 6-8 St Martins is in a poor state of repair and the external elevation has a neglected appearance, which will be bought into sharp focus when the surrounding buildings and public realm receive significant investment therefore a budget is being made available to repair the
7.	a) KEY DECISION Y/N? b) If yes, was it published 5 clear days in advance? y/n	frontage of this listed building.  Yes



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8.	OPTIONS CONSIDERED	Option 1.  To take forward a proposal to develop a King Richard III visitor attraction in the former Alderman Newton school, to incorporate within the visitor centre the grave site to create a complete visitor experience. Seek to complete the visitor attraction by Spring 2014 to coincide with the re- interment ceremony in Leicester Cathedral thereby maximising the benefit of this unique opportunity to attract visitors to the City, and the potential economic benefits this also brings.
		Option 2. To continue to operate the temporary visitor attraction within the Guildhall, and allow occasional managed access to the grave site at Grey Friars.
		Option 3.  To take no action. Allowing the temporary Richard III exhibition to close following the re-interment ceremony.
9.	DEADLINE FOR CALL-IN  5 Members of a Scrutiny Commission or any 5 Councillors can ask for the decision to be called-in.  Notification of Call-In with reasons must be made to the Monitoring Officer	28 June 2013
10.	SIGNATURE OF DECISION MAKER (City Mayor or where delegated by the City Mayor, name of Executive Member)	Som

