

Economy Regeneration & Development Committee

Our plans for economic growth are about encouraging inclusive growth, where the benefits are felt by every resident, creating opportunities for local people, and inspiring ambition. Prosperous communities are happier, healthier and better places to live. People want the chance to get a good job, and live in a nice home on a clean, safe street. A successful local economy – built on these inclusive principles – helps deliver that. Attracting investment to our borough creates good jobs for our residents. It helps people improve their skills, improve their prospects and raise the aspirations of their whole family. It's about helping everyone in the borough to become better off and live more comfortably.

The work we do helps support local employers to succeed, to win more business and grow – creating more jobs and opportunities for local people. We will help make sure our residents have the skills and education they need to secure their best possible futures. We work side-by-side with the independent traders who keep our high-streets alive, helping them adapt to modern trends.

OPTION	VALUE	NARRATIVE
Birkenhead Market Restructure	£240,000	Restructuring staffing arrangements to better serve delivery will ensure Birkenhead Market can drive forward its redevelopment. It is proposed staffing is reduced over 2/3 years in tandem with the development and relocation of the market to the temporary site. A restructure of Birkenhead Market could result in savings of £240,000 .
Budget Allocation for DDA	£200,000	The majority of public buildings within the Authority's portfolio are Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) compliant. As a result the works allocated to the budget for building works in relation to people with a disability accessing council buildings over the last few years has greatly reduced. If future works are required these will be covered by the general building code. The removal of this budget will not have any detrimental effect on access to council building for people with a disability as any unforeseen works will be covered within the property code. This proposal could save £200,000 .