## KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

#### **DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:**

Eric Hotson - Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services

#### DECISION NO:

19/00022

#### Unrestricted

Key decision: YES

# Subject: Land at Meopham School – Taking of a long lease to Kent County Council for the benefit of Meopham Library

#### **Proposed Decision:**

As Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services, I agree to the County Council taking a new lease of land at Meopham Academy of a term in excess of 20 years, and to the Director of Infrastructure finalising the lease terms and completing the transaction.

#### Reason(s) for decision:

The County Council will need to take the lease to ensure it has an equivalent estate interest in the new Library, as it previously had in the former Library.

#### Equality Implications

N/A

#### **Financial Implications**

- A rent of £1 ( one pound ) per annum, if demanded. Each party to bear its own costs upon completion of the new lease.
- The running costs of the former Library and the new Library have increased which is representative of a stand alone building rather than an apportionment of costs based on the academy operating costs.

#### Legal Implications

In order to protect KCC's long term property interest KCC needs to enter into the long lease

#### Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

To be entered after the meeting and considered by the Cabinet Member when taking the decision.

### Any alternatives considered and rejected:

N/A

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

None. This Decision ensures that the County Council's lease of the new Library reflects the terms of the lease of the former Library and is required under the County Council's Constitution.

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