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To: Governance and Audit Committee - 24 April 2019

Subject: Statutory Accounts for those companies in which KCC has an interest

Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: To present the latest available Statutory Accounts for those companies in

which KCC has an interest.

## **FOR ASSURANCE**

## 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 As per its Terms of Reference, the Governance and Audit Committee has a responsibility each year to 'Receive and review the annual statutory financial accounts of any KCC limited companies and financial statements for other trading vehicles and to consider corrective action where appropriate'.
- 1.2 The link to the latest Statutory Accounts for these companies (for 2017-18)- is included as an appendix to the report should the Members' wish to review and consider them. The link is <u>Statutory Accounts</u>
- 1.3 This report also includes an explanation of payments made by the Council to the company, the purpose of the company and the nature and degree of interest that the Council has in the company. There is no underlying risk to KCC in relation to these accounts.

## 2 ENTITIES WHICH KCC HAS AN INTEREST IN

2.1 The table below shows the details of the entities in which KCC has an interest, including payments made to the entities during 2017-18.

1. Association of Tourist Attractions in Kent Ltd		
Purpose of entity	To promote the interest of tourist attractions of all sizes and kinds throughout Kent.	
	Company Limited by Guarantee	
Level and Nature of Interest	There is no Kent County Council representative on the board and the company is limited by guarantee with each of the Directors being liable for £1. Kent County Council does not appear to have a direct interest in the company.	
Directors on the Board	None	
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	£835 – accounts as at 31 August 2018	
Payment during 2017-18	Nil	
2. Aylesham & District Community Workshop Trust Ltd		
Purpose of entity	Established for the benefit of persons in the Aylesham and Rural District to provide or assist in the provision of facilities for the advancement of education and for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life of said persons.	
	Company Limited by Guarantee and a Charitable Trust.	
Level and Nature of Interest	KCC is a Member. Each Member has one vote. There are 9 Trustees.	
	Liability will not exceed £10.	
Directors on the Board	Mr S Manion – KCC Member	
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	£114,199 – accounts as at 31 March 2019	
Payment during 2017-18	£13,539.22 (excluding VAT) – Room hire, training and workshops	

3. Visit Kent Ltd		
Purpose of entity	To promote, market, advertise and develop nationally and internationally the tourist industry in the county of Kent and all the bodies, entities, persons associated and involved therein.  Company Limited by Guarantee.	
Level and Nature of Interest	KCC is a Member. Each Member has one vote.  Liability is limited to £1.	
Directors on the Board	Mr M Dance – KCC Member	
	Mr D Hughes – KCC Officer	
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	(£123,279) – accounts as at 31 March 2018	
Payment during 2017-18	£288,000.00 (excluding VAT) – Annual contract.	
4. Locate in Kent Ltd		
Purpose of entity	Locate in Kent offers confidential and free business investment and relocation services to international, UK and Kent-based companies looking to expand  Company Limited by Guarantee.	
Level and Nature of Interest	KCC is a Member. Each Member has one vote.  Liability is limited to £1.	
Directors on the Board	Mr M Dance – KCC Member	
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	(£115,691) – accounts as at 31 March 2018	
Payment during 2017-18	£1,016,070.00 (excluding VAT) – EU Funded: Inward Investment Contract	

5. Trading Standards South East Ltd	
Purpose of entity	To provide advice to consumers in the south east of England.  Company Limited by Guarantee.
Level and Nature of Interest	KCC is a Member. Each Member has one vote.  Liability is limited to £1.
Directors on the Board	Mrs S Harvey – KCC Officer
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	(£351,962) – accounts as at 31 March 2018
Payment during 2017-18	£19,210.00 (excluding VAT) – Membership fees and training.
6. East Kent Spatial Development Company	
Purpose of entity	A regeneration company specialising in the provision of utilities infrastructure to the business parks in East Kent.
	Company Limited by Guarantee.
Level and Nature of Interest	KCC is a Class A Member. Each Class A Member has one vote.
	Liability is limited to £1.
	Locate in Kent is also a Member which KCC has an interest in.
Directors on the Board	Mr M Dance – KCC Member
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	£343,330 – accounts as at 31 March 2018
Payment during 2017-18	Nil

7. Produced in Kent	
Purpose of entity	To increase the public's awareness of produce which has been produced in Kent.  Company Limited by Guarantee.
Level and Nature of Interest	KCC has joint voting rights with Hadlow College.  Liability is limited to £1.
Directors on the Board	Mr S Holden – KCC Member
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	£4,825 – accounts as at 31 March 2018
Payment during 2017-18	£90,450.00 (excluding VAT) – contribution towards salary costs.
8. TRICS Consortium Ltd	
Purpose of entity	Consortium of six County Councils owning and operating a transport trip rate database known as TRICS.  Company Limited by Shares
Level and Nature of Interest	37,500 shares of total share capital of 225,000 (16.7% holding).
	One of six member with equal voting rights (one vote per member)
	We received a dividend £93,041.
Directors on the Board	None
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	£603,355 – accounts as at 31 December 2017
Payment during 2017-18	£3,250.00 (excluding VAT) – Licence

9. Kent PFI Holding Company 1 Ltd	
Purpose of entity	Kent PFI Holding Company 1 Ltd is a holding company for Kent PFI Company 1 Limited, a company whose activities include the provision of construction and maintenance services for three secondary schools for pupils across Kent. (Thamesview School, Northfleet Technical College and St Johns Catholic Comprehensive School).
Level and Nature of Interest	As part of the Treasury Strategy to make investments in equity up to the value of £5m, KCC purchased shares in Kent PFI Holding Company 1 Ltd. At the end of 2014-15 KCC has 42% holding in the company. The investment structure is as follows:  • £2,681,260.21 in loan notes • £2,113,808.91 in shares  During 2017-18 we received £492,364.15 relating to dividends, interest and repayment of loan notes.
Directors on the Board	Mrs J Lee – KCC Officer  Ms J Hansen – KCC Officer
Profit or Surplus / (Deficit)	£197,000 – accounts as at 31 March 2018
Payment during 2017-18	£10,263,795.62 (excluding VAT) – PFI costs

## 3 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 Members are recommended to note the contents of this report for assurance.

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