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Dear Member

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2016

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at next Wednesday, 21 September 2016 meeting of the Scrutiny Committee, the following report(s) that were unavailable when the agenda was printed.

Motion to exclude the press and public

RESOLVED that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act. C2 Regional Growth Fund Schemes - to follow (Pages 5 - 10)

> Although the covering report is unrestricted the report from the Cabinet Member Corporate Director is exempt

Yours sincerely

Peter Sass Head of Democratic Services

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Agenda Annex

Item C2

- By: Richard Parry Chairman of the Scrutiny Committee Peter Sass -Head of Democratic Services
- To: Scrutiny Committee 21 September 2016
- Subject: Regional Growth Fund Schemes
- Status: Open
- Summary: This item has been placed on the Scrutiny Committee by a Member of the Committee for discussion

Recommendation: The Scrutiny Committee is invited to discuss the Regional Growth Fund Schemes and make comments to the Cabinet Member and Corporate Director.

1. Introduction

Following recent media reports referring to Regional Growth Fund (RGF) schemes, the loans paid to companies in Kent and the reported bad debt incurred this item has been placed on the Scrutiny Committee agenda for discussion.

2. Witnesses

Mr Mark Dance, Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Mrs Barbara Cooper, Corporate Director Growth, Environment and Transport and Mr David Smith, Director Economic Development will be present to answer Members' queries on this item.

3. Report

(1) A report from the Cabinet Member Economic Development and the Director of Growth, Environment and Transport is attached.

(2) This report is classified as exempt under paragraph 3 of part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, due to the commercial sensitivity of the information contained with it. It is anticipated that the discussion on this item will take place in the exempt part of the meeting.

3. Recommendation, that:

The Scrutiny Committee is invited to discuss the Regional Growth Fund Schemes and make comments to the Cabinet Member and Corporate Director.

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