

**CABINET SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, 19th January, 2011**

**10.00 am**

**Darent Room, Sessions House, County Hall,  
Maidstone**







## AGENDA

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Ask for: **Peter Sass**  
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#### **Membership**

Liberal Democrat (1): Mrs T Dean (Chairman)

Conservative (11): Mr R F Manning, Mr A R Chell, Mr R Brookbank, Mr E E C Hotson, Mr M J Jarvis, Mr R E King, Mrs J P Law, Mr R L H Long, TD, Mr J E Scholes, Mr C P Smith and Mr M J Whiting

Labour (1) Mr L Christie

Independent (1) Mr R J Lees

Church The Reverend N Genders and Dr D Wadman

Representatives (3):

Parent Governor (2): Mr B Critchley and Mr P Myers

*Refreshments will be available 15 minutes before the start of the meeting*

*Timing of items as shown below is approximate and subject to change.*

*County Councillors who are not Members of the Committee but who wish to ask questions at the meeting are asked to notify the Chairman of their questions in advance.*

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## **UNRESTRICTED ITEMS**

*(During these items the meeting is likely to be open to the public)*

### **A. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

- A1 Introduction/Webcasting
- A2 Substitutes
- A3 Declarations of Interests by Members in Items on the Agenda for this Meeting
- A4 Minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2010 (Pages 1 - 12)
- A5 Follow-up Items from Cabinet Scrutiny Committee (Pages 13 - 24)
- A6 Notes of the Informal Member Group on Budgetary Issues held on 6 January 2011 (Pages 25 - 26)

### **B. CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS AT VARIANCE TO APPROVED BUDGET OR POLICY FRAMEWORK**

There are no items for consideration.

### **C. CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS**

- C1 Older Person's Modernisation (Pages 27 - 214)

*This item will be considered in two parts:*

- 1. An over-arching discussion relating to the Older Person's modernisation programme and elements relating to consultations, the movement away from direct provision of services, comparative costs of public and private sector service provision and any other issues.*
- 2. Discussions relating to the individual decisions about each site.*

Mr G Gibbens, Cabinet Member, Adult Social Services, Mr O Mills, Managing Director, Kent Adult Social Services, Ms M Howard, Director of Operations and Mr D Weiss, Head of Public Private Partnerships and Property Team have been invited to attend the meeting between 10.15am and 12.15pm to answer Members' questions on this item.

Currently the following external witnesses have been invited to answer Members' questions: Karen Baldwin (The Limes), John Porter (Bowles Lodge), Brian Hague (Ladesfield) and Councillor Ron Weedon (Tunbridge Wells Borough Council).

Please note: If Members of the Committee wish to invite external witnesses to speak in relation to any of the specific decisions, please could they contact Adam Webb or Peter Sass, who will liaise with the Chairman and Spokesmen accordingly.

The individual Records of Decision for each of the 11 decisions will be circulated to the Committee as soon as they are made available (it is anticipated that this will be on 13 January 2011).

## **D. CABINET DECISIONS**

- D1 Inspection of Safeguarding and Looked After Children Services - Recovery and Improvement Plan (Pages 215 - 244)

*This item is provisional depending on a draft improvement plan being made available*

Mrs S Hohler, Cabinet Member, Children, Families and Education, and Ms R Turner, Managing Director, Children, Families and Education have been invited to attend the meeting between 12.15pm and 12.45pm to answer Members' questions on this item.

- D2 Provisional Local Government Grant Settlement 2011-13 (Pages 245 - 246)

*This item is provisional depending on the outcome of the Member Budget Briefing on 17 January.*

Mr P Carter, Leader of the Council, Mr J Simmonds, Cabinet Member, Finance, and Mr A Wood, Acting Director of Finance, have been invited to attend the meeting between 12.45pm and 1.15pm to answer Member's questions on this item.

*For the report please see Section 2 of the Draft Budget Book published on 6 January 2011.*

## **EXEMPT ITEMS**

*(At the time of preparing the agenda there were no exempt items. During any such items which may arise the meeting is likely NOT to be open to the public)*

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**Tuesday, 11 January 2011**

*Please note that any background documents referred to in the accompanying papers maybe inspected by arrangement with the officer responsible for preparing the relevant report.*