

**GROWTH, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
COMMUNITIES CABINET COMMITTEE**

Thursday, 7th March, 2019

10.00 am

Darent Room - Sessions House



AGENDA

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Ask for: **Georgina Little**
Telephone: **03000 414043**

Tea/Coffee will be available 15 minutes before the start of the meeting

Membership (16)

Conservative (13): Mr A M Ridgers (Chairman), Mr S Holden (Vice-Chairman), Mrs P M Beresford, Mrs R Binks, Mr A Booth, Mr A H T Bowles, Mr A Cook, Mr P J Homewood, Mr J A Kite, MBE, Mr G Lymer, Mr P J Messenger, Mr S C Manion and Mr J Wright

Liberal Democrat (2): Mr I S Chittenden and Mr A J Hook

Labour (1) Mr D Farrell

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UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

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

- 1 Introduction/Webcast announcements
- 2 Apologies and Substitutes
To receive apologies for absence and notification of any substitutes present
- 3 Declarations of Interest by Members in items on the Agenda
To receive any declarations of interest made by Members in relation to any matter on the agenda. Members are reminded to specify the agenda item number to which it refers and the nature of the interest being declared
- 4 Minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2019 (Pages 7 - 16)
To consider and approve the Minutes as a correct record

- 5 Verbal updates by Cabinet Members and Corporate Director
To receive verbal updates from the Cabinet Member for Community and Regulatory Services and the Cabinet Member for Economic Development.
- 6 Performance Dashboard (Pages 17 - 30)
To note the performance report.
- 7 Risk Management: Growth, Environment and Transport Directorate (Pages 31 - 46)
To consider and comment on the risks presented.
- 8 19/00012 - Decision on the Libraries, Registration and Archives Strategy including Proposal for a New Library Tiering Model (Pages 47 - 270)
To comment and endorse or make recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Community and Regulatory Services on the proposed decision to adopt the 3 year strategy for Libraries, Registration and Archives and implement the proposal to tier libraries and introduce a new opening hours model across the county. Specifically to:
- A) Adopt the 3 year LRA strategy subject to changes being included as outlined in this report;
 - B) Implement the library tiering model and progress to local engagement regarding the pattern of opening hours for each library;
 - C) Delegate the decision on the exact opening hours for each library to the Libraries, Registration & Archives Head of Service in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Community and Regulatory services; and
 - D) Agree to a review of the tiering model on a 2-year cycle – with a report to this committee on any changes proposed.
- 9 19/00019 - Regional Growth Fund Administrative Changes and Transfer of Funds (Pages 271 - 276)
To comment and endorse or make recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Economic Development to agree that:
- (a) administration of and funding-decision authority for the monies previously recovered from companies based in East Sussex and handled via the Escalate Scheme, be transferred to East Sussex County Council for management via their East Sussex Invest 5 scheme; and
 - (b) that authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development to take appropriate actions, including but not limited to, entering into legal agreements as necessary to implement this decision.

The proposed record of decision is shown at Appendix A.

10 Supporting Kent Exporters (Pages 277 - 288)

To provide comments on the export support framework and pilot initiatives outlined in annexes 1, 2 and 3.

11 District Visits Programme 2019 (Pages 289 - 290)

To received and endorse the report.

12 Work Programme 2019/20 (Pages 291 - 296)

To receive a report by General Counsel that gives details of the proposed Work Programme for this Cabinet Committee.

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)

Benjamin Watts
General Counsel
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Wednesday, 27 February 2019

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.