



FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

3 August 2009 - 30 November 2009

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Paul Carter
Leader of the County Council

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Each month the Council publishes a forward plan of key decisions expected to be taken during the following four months.

A “key decision” means an executive decision which is likely to:-

- (a) result in the Local Authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authorities budget for the service or function to which the decision relates;**
- (b) be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.**

Preparation of the Forward Plan helps the Council to programme its work and ensures compliance with the Local Government Act 2000. Every month, the period covered by the Plan will be rolled forward by one month and the plan will be republished.

The Plan outlines the consultation that is proposed in respect of future decisions and who members of the public should contact to make comments on any particular item (column 6). Members of the public are entitled to obtain copies of the documents that will be relied upon when a decision is taken (column 7), unless they are Exempt within the meaning of the Local Governments Act. These documents will be published on the Council’s web site at www.kent.gov.uk at least five days before the decision is due to take place. Paper copies will be made available by contacting Andrew Ballard – by telephone 01622 694297 or via andrew.ballard@kent.gov.uk

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Chief Executive Directorate						
Phase 2 Gateway Roll-out, to include commissioning of works – directly or indirectly; purchase of Mobile units: entering into various underpinning partnership contract to ensure delivery of program	Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Localism & Partnerships	Between August & September 2009	Consultation has been ongoing through implementation of Phase 1, and will continue with strategic partners, 3 rd Sector organisations,	Through use of internal electronic communication, external e-mail &	Tanya Oliver Director of Strategic Development & Public Access	Gateway Strategy 2007; Toward 2010; Vision for Kent; current

			community groups and the general public	correspondence ; regular Board & operational meetings; local fora i.e. LSP, & by the use of external media such as County Council & District magazines, poster campaigns, local press and radio;		County Council MTP; Strategic Development Unit Business Plan
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To confirm approval for KCC appearance at a planning Inquiry into the proposed Kent International Gateway at Junction 8 of M20, and grounds of objection following demise of the Kent and Medway Structure Plan and amended scheme	Cabinet	September 2009	Maidstone Borough Council, KCC Local Members	To be advised	Tim Martin Strategy Manager	Cabinet Member has approved KCC response to consultations on the planning application (Kevin Lynes). Unrestricted.
Decision to award the Kent TV contract to an external company, pending the review of Kent TV and following the tender process	Cabinet	Between December & January 2010	Emails and phone calls.	Internal only	Tanya Oliver Director of Strategic Development & Public Access	None.

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Renewal of Consumer Direct Contract from the 1 October 2010 to 31 March 2011	Cabinet Member for Corporate Support Services & Performance Management	September 2009	Meetings were held with the OFT Central Team regarding the operation of the contract and the potential contact volumes. Also meetings and exchange of e-mails with TSSEL over the viability of the contract and working relationships.	Meetings, E-mails and telephone calls.	Tanya Oliver, Strategic Development & Public Access	None.

Children, Families & Education Directorate

Children's Centre's- Round 3 - Confirming The Sites And / Or Buildings For The Location Of 30 Children's Centres	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.	Between August & September 2009	School Governing Bodies; School Accommodation Managers; Local members; Area Children's Services managers; LCSPs & Managers; Estates; Advisory Service Kent	Consultation by means of a Proposal document	Alex Gamby Head of Early Years & Childcare	Report - Round 3 Children's Centres ROD
Closure of Astor of Hever (Community) School and replacement with Government Funded Academy	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.	Between September & November 2009	MP, Local Councils, parents, staff, professional associations, LCS Partnerships, Diocesan Boards of Education. A report will be presented to SOAB at its meeting in September 2009 seeking approval to go to public consultation	Public meeting to be held followed by a statutory public notice in accordance with the School Organisation Establishment and Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2007.	Chris Jones Area Education Officer Maidstone, Ton & Malling	None.

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<p>Closure of Linden Grove (Community) Primary School and Ashford Christ Church, Church of England (Voluntary Aided) Maths & Computer Specialist College and their Replacement with an all-age Government Funded Academy</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.</p>	<p>Between September & October 2009</p>	<p>MP, Local Councils, parents, staff, professional associations, LCS Partnerships, Diocesan Boards of Education.</p> <p>A report will be presented to SOAB at its meeting in September 2009 seeking approval to go to public consultation</p>	<p>Public meeting to be held followed by a statutory public notice in accordance with the School Organisation Establishment & Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2007.</p>	<p>David Adams Area Children's Services Officer, Ashford & Shepway</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>Proposed Relocation Of The Foreland (Special) School To The Hartsdown Technology College Site, Margate</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.</p>	<p>August 2009</p>	<p>MP, Local Councils, parents, staff, professional associations, LCS Partnerships, Diocesan Boards of Education.</p> <p>A report was presented to SOAB at its meeting on 12 March 2009 seeking approval to go to public consultation.</p> <p>A report was presented to SOAB at its meeting on 16 July on the outcome of the public consultation.</p>	<p>Public meeting to be held followed by a statutory public notice in accordance with the School Organisation Establishment and Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2007.</p>	<p>Martyn Doole Area Education Officer Thanet & Dover</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>Archers Court Maths & Computing College - Proposed closure and replacement with government funded Academy</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.</p>	<p>January 2010</p>	<p>MP, Local Councils, parents, staff, professional associations, LCS Partnerships, Diocesan Boards of Education.</p>	<p>Public meeting to be held followed by a statutory public notice in accordance with the School</p>	<p>Martyn Doole, Area Education Officer Thanet & Dover</p>	<p>None.</p>

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The Proposed Amalgamation of Walmer Science College And Castle Community College -Deal	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.	August 2009	MP, Local Councils, parents, staff, professional associations, LCS Partnerships, Diocesan Boards of Education. A report will be presented to SOAB at its meeting in October 2009 seeking approval to go to public consultation	Public meeting to be held followed by a statutory public notice in accordance with the School Organisation Establishment & Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2007.	Martyn Doole, Area Education Officer Thanet & Dover	None.
Proposed Relocation Of Laleham Gap School Margate To A Site At Newlands Lane, Broadstairs Adjacent To The New Ellington And Hereson School In A New Building To Be Provide Through BSF Funding	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.	December 2009	MP, Local Members, Local Councils, Parents, Staff, Pupils, Professional Associations, Diocesan Boards of Education and the Health Authority Internal only. A report will be presented to SOAB at its meeting in September 2009 seeking approval to go to public consultation.	A report will be presented to SOAB at its meeting in September 2009 seeking approval to go to public consultation	Martyn Doole, Area Education Officer Thanet & Dover	None.

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Policy Change To The Use Of Direct Payments For Overnight Short Breaks, In Line With The Aiming High For Disabled Children Programme	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.	August 2009	Children Services Senior Management Team Disabled Children Senior Management Team. Strategic Development Manager for Disabled Children Services. Head of Business and Performance Monitoring	Consultation by means of a Proposal document	Liz Totman Head of Specialist Services	None.

Communities Directorate – None for this Month

Environment & Regeneration Directorate – None for this Month

Kent Adult Social Services

Positive Risk Management Policy And Good Practice Guidance	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services	September 2009	Key KASS staff, User and Carer groups, Legal Services, Corporate H&S Manager, KASS H&S Team, HSE Principal Inspector, Trade Unions, Chief Officers Group, Policy Overview Committee	Meetings and correspondence	Derrick Douglas Policy Officer	DH: Independence, Choice and Risk: a guide to best practice in supported decision making, 2007, Local Authority Circular (DH) (2009) 1: Transforming Adult Social Care, KCC Business Risk Management Toolkit Unrestricted
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NOTES

1. The identity of decision-takers is as follows:

Mr Paul Carter	Leader of the Council
Mr Alex King	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Localism & Partnerships
Mr John Simmonds	Cabinet Member for Finance
Mrs Sarah Hohler	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education
Mr Nick Chard	Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste
Mr Alan Marsh	Cabinet Member for Public Health & Health Reform
Mr Kevin Lynes	Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Supporting Independence
Mr Mike Hill	Cabinet Member for Community Services
Mr Graham Gibbens	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services
Mr Roger Gough	Cabinet Member for Corporate Support Services & Performance Management

2. Cabinet = a Cabinet meeting and a collective decision

Council = a meeting of the full Council and a collective decision = all Members of the Council

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3. **How to make comments:**

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