

# **FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS**

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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.

The Plan sets out in four columns the information Kent County Council is required to publish by law:-

#### Column 1

- (1) Is the topic of the decision with a one line description.
- (2) A key decision can only be taken by the Leader of the County Council, the collective Cabinet or an individual Cabinet Member.
- (3) Specifies the date or period within which the decision is to be taken.
- (4) Lists the contact person or the officer within Kent County Council dealing with that key decision.

#### Column 2

- (5) Details the principal groups/organisations to be consulted before the decision is made.
- (6) Specifies by which methods the principal groups/organisations are to be consulted.

#### Column 3

- (7) Identifies the person(s) to whom representations regarding the key decision should be made.
- (8) Gives a date when the representations need to be made.

#### Column 4

- (9) Lists all the documents which will need to be considered by the decision taker before the decision is made unless it contains exempt or confidential information.
- (10) Date first entered in Forward Plan

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(2)	Social Services	<ul> <li>(5) Adult Services Policy Overview         Committee; Operational Management         Team; Strategic Management Team;         Domiciliary Care Service Users;         Interested Groups.</li> <li>(6) Reports; Briefings for Members; Written consultation; Meetings with and visits to interested groups; Public Meetings;         Internet.</li> </ul>	(7) Michael Thomas-Sam Tel: 01622 694843 michael.thomas- sam@kent.gov.uk  (8) 31 July 2007	((9)	Domiciliary Charging Policy Report (unrestricted)  Fairer Charging Policy for home Care and other non-residential Social Services (unrestricted)  Local Authority Circular (2001) 32 (unrestricted)  May 2007

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\ <i>\</i>	ON REVENUE ROLL S OF 2006/07 ERSPEND	(5) N/A (6) N/A	(7)	Cath Head Tel: 01622 221135 cath.head@kent.gov.uk	(9) July revenue and capital monitoring exception report and outturn report sent to		
(2) Cabinet				Chris Headey	June Cabinet		
(3) 16 July 200	7			Principal Accountant chris.headey@kent.gov.uk	(10) N/A		
	kent.gov.uk						
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(2)	BROOMHILL BANK COMMUNITY SPECIAL SCHOOL  Proposed re-designation to a school for communication and interaction (Autistic Spectrum and/or specific language disorder)  Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.  June 2007  Chris Lay Tel: 01732 525107 chris.lay@kent.gov.uk	<ul> <li>(5) Public meeting and consultation document sent out to parents and others in accordance with the agreed policy.          A report was presented to the School Advisory Board (SOAB) at its meeting on 7 February 2007 to seek its views on going out to public consultation.     </li> <li>A report will be presented to SOAB at its meeting on 16 May 2007 on the outcome of the public consultation.</li> <li>(6) As above.</li> </ul>	(7) Chris Lay     Tel: 01732 525107     chris.lay@kent.gov.uk  (8) 23 April 2007		None. April 2007

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(2)	Families and Educational Achievement.  June 2007	<ul> <li>(5) Staff, Political Representatives, Trade Unions, District Council, Parish Council, PCT, MP, District Managers, CSCI.</li> <li>(7) Liz Totman Tel: 01233 652130 liz.totman@kent.gov</li> <li>(8) 27 April 2007</li> <li>(8) 27 April 2007</li> </ul>	(9) None. v.uk (10) May 2007
(4)	Liz Totman Tel: 01233 652130 liz.totman@kent.gov.uk	(6) As above.	

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<ul> <li>(1) TUNBRIDGE WELLS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL</li> <li>Proposed change of age range to remove the sixth form from the school's formal designation.</li> <li>(2) Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.</li> <li>(3) July 2007</li> <li>(4) Chris Lay Tel: 01732 525107</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(5) No prescribed consultation process in order to secure a change of age range for a school. DfES guidance states that it is good practice to seek views of stakeholders, which has been done by letter.</li> <li>A report will be presented to SOAB on 14 June 2007 on the outcome of the public consultation.</li> <li>(6) As above.</li> </ul>	(7) Chris Lay Tel: 01732 525107 chris.lay@kent.gov.uk  (8)	((9) None. (10) June 2007

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(2)	ST JOHN'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND (VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED) PRIMARY SCHOOL, TUNBRIDGE WELLS  Proposed change of status — Cabinet Member to respond to consultation conducted by Governing Body.  Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.  July 2007  Chris Lay (01732) 525107	<ul> <li>(5) Consultation is being conducted by the Governing Body of St. John's.</li> <li>A report will be presented to SOAB on 14 June 2007. Members' views will advise the Cabinet Member when he formally responds, on behalf of the County Council, to the School's consultation process.</li> <li>(6) As above.</li> </ul>	(7) Chris Lay Tel: 01732 525107 chris.lay@kent.gov.uk  (8)	((9) None. (10) June 2007
(4)	Chris Lay (01732) 525107 chris.lay@kent.gov.uk			

	Children, Families and Education Directorate						SISION NO. 07/00990
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	CHILDREN'S CENTRES - ROUND 6 - NEXT SIX SITES  Decision to forward with further six locations to DfES/GOSE:  1. Priory, Ramsgate 2. St Paul's, Tunbridge Wells 3. Parkside, Herne Bay 4. Mongeham, Deal 5. Swalecliffe, Canterbury 6. Queenborough/Rushenden, Sheppey.  Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.		Consultations have already taken place with Members and partners across Kent to identify locations.  As above.		Alex Gamby Head of Early Years/Childcare 01622 626615 alex.gamby@kent.gov.uk N/A	((9)	None. June 2007
,	June 2007  Alex Gamby 01622 626615 alex.gamby@kent.gov.uk						

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(2)	BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN METHODIST (VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED) PRIMARY SCHOOL AND DUNKIRK PRIMARY SCHOOL  Proposed amalgamation  Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.  June 2007  Alison Osborne Tel: 01227 284461 alison.osbourne@kent.gov.uk	<ul> <li>(5) Public meeting and consultation document sent out to parents and others in accordance with the agreed policy.          A report was presented to the School Organisation Advisory Board (SOAB) at its meeting on 18 April 2007 to seek its views on going out to public consultation.     </li> <li>A report will be presented to SOAB at its meeting on 11 July on the outcome of a public consultation.</li> <li>(6) As above.</li> </ul>	<ul><li>(7) Alison Osborne     Tel: 01227 284461     alison.osbourne@kent.g     ov.uk</li><li>(8) 11 June 2007</li></ul>	((9)	Kent Primary Strategy 2006 June 2007

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(2)	Families and Educational Achievement.	<ul><li>(5) Report to CFE SMT and CFE Policy Overview Committee (POC).</li><li>(6) As above.</li></ul>	(7) Colin Feltham Tel: 01622 605729 colin.feltham@kent.gov.uk (8) 17 May 2007	((9)	The LA's Disability Equality Scheme Report to CFE POC 19 April June 2007
(3)	July 2007  Colin Feltham Tel: 01622 605729 colin.feltham@kent.gov.uk				

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(1)	PLANNING SHEPPEY SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE - PRIMARY PHASE - OUTCOME OF A PUBLIC CONSULTATION  To decide whether to issue a public notice to establish the primary phase of education on the Isle of Sheppey.	(5)	Public meeting and consultation document sent out to parents and others in accordance with the agreed policy.  A report was presented to the School Organisation Advisory Board (SOAB) at its meeting on 16 May 2007 on the outcome of the public	(8)	Alison Osborne Tel: 01227 284461 alison.osbourne@kent.gov.u k 10 April 2007	(9)	Kent Primary Strategy 2006 June 2007	
	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.	(6)	consultation. As above.					
	June 2007  Alison Osborne Tel: 01227 284461 alison.osbourne@kent.gov.uk							

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<ul> <li>(1) CHILDREN'S CENTRES - ROUND 3 - NEXT FOUR SITES  Decision to forward a further fours locations to DfES/GOSE:  7. Garlinge 8. Broadwater 9. Joydens Wood Ward – at Acorns Early Year Centre on the site of Maypole School</li> <li>(2) Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.</li> <li>(3) June 2007</li> <li>(4) Alex Gamby 01622 626615 alex.gamby@kent.gov.uk</li> </ul>	<ul><li>(5) Consultations have already taken place with Members and partners across Kent to identify locations.</li><li>(6) As above.</li></ul>	(7) Alex Gamby 01622 626615 alex.gamby@kent.gov.uk (8)	((9) None. (10) June 2007

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(2)	KENT COUNTY COUNCIL DELEGATED CONDITIONS  This document sets down the conditions that have to be met by providers of early years education to be included in KCC's Directory of Providers.  Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Educational Achievement.  June 2007  Andy Nicklin 01622 694483 andy.nicklin@kent.gov.uk	<ul><li>(5) Draft for consultation was sent to all private, voluntary and independent providers of early years education in Kent.</li><li>(6) As above.</li></ul>	(7) Andy Nicklin Tel: 01622 694483 andy.nicklin@kent.gov.u k  (8) June 2007	((9) DfES	Draft for consultation is unrestricted  Code of Practice on the Provision of Fee Nursery Education Places for Three and Four Year Olds  June 2007

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(1) CONNEXIONS TRANSITION  To consider new arrangements for Connexions funding for April 2008.  All Connexions funding becomes Part of the LAA pool of all local authorities. Local authorities are required to plan with Connexions partnerships for this transition and to make their intentions clear by the end of September 2007. GOSE will monitor LA progress.	<ul><li>(5) Children's Trust and Strategic Transition Group (both to be consulted through meetings).</li><li>(6) As above.</li></ul>	<ul><li>(7) Joanna Wainwright     Tel: 01622 696595     joanna.wainwright@kent.gov.uk</li><li>(8) June 2007</li></ul>	(9) None. (10)June 2007
(2) Cabinet (3) June 2007 (4) Joanna Wainwright 01622 696595			
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Communities Directorate				DECISION NO. 07/00969
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(1)	APPROVAL OF ADULT EDUCATION ANNUAL OPERATING PLAN - 2007/08	<ul><li>(5) None.</li><li>(6) None.</li></ul>	(7) Ian Forward Tel: 01795 415902 ian.forward@kent.gov.uk	(9) None. (10) May 2007
(2)	Cabinet Member for Community Services		(8) June 2007	
(3)	July/September 2007			
(4)	lan Forward Tel: 01795 415902 ian.forward@kent.gov.uk			

Environment and Regeneration Directorate				DECISION NO. 07/00987
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(1)	NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SEARCHES OF THE REGISTERS OF COMMON LAND AND VILLAGE GREENS AND THE DEFINITIVE MAP OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY  To agree fees in respect of applications to search the Register of Common Land and Village Greens and the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way.	(5) N/A (6) N/A	(7) Chris Wade Tel: 01622 221511 chris.wade@kent.gov.uk  (8) 30 June 2007	(9) The Commons Act 2006: New Arrangements for Searches of the Commons Registers' (published by DEFRA, March 2007)  Report from divisional director
(2)	Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste			(10) June 2007
(3)	June 2007			
(4)	Chris Wade 01622 221511 chris.wade@kent.gov.uk			