



FORTHCOMING EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

2 June – 31 December 2014

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This list of Forthcoming Executive Decisions publicises all known decisions which Kent County Council intends to take over the next six months. It gives information on the projects that will be coming forward and who will be involved with them. Key decisions are marked clearly as such within the list.

Please use the contact details given to let us know your views.

LIST OF FORTHCOMING EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

Each week the list of Forthcoming Executive Decisions is updated where there are additions, deletions or amendments to be made. Although Kent County Council aims to include all known decisions, statute requires that all Key decisions must be publicised in this way.

A “Key Decision” is an Executive-side Decision which is likely to:

- (a) result in the council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the council’s budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- (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.

Key Decisions can only be taken by the Cabinet, the Leader or an individual Cabinet Member.

Decisions which should be regarded as Key Decisions because they are likely to have a significant effect either in financial terms or on the Council’s services to the community include:

- (a) Decisions about expenditure or savings over £1,000,000
- (b) Adoption of major new policies not already included in the Policy Framework (Constitution Appendix 3) or changes to established policies
- (c) Approval of management and business plans
- (d) Decisions that involve significant service developments, significant service reductions, or significant changes in the way that services are delivered, whether County-wide or in a particular locality. For example, closure of a school, approval of a major project (such as a highway scheme) or programme of works, major changes in the eligibility criteria for provision of a service, major changes in the fees charged for a service, or proposals that would result in a service currently provided in-house being outsourced.
- (e) Decisions where the consequences are likely to result in compulsory redundancies or major changes in the terms and conditions of employment of a significant number of employees in any of the Council’s functions.

Preparation of the list helps the Council to programme its work and ensures compliance with the ‘Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) regulations 2012.

The list outlines the consultation that is proposed in respect of future decisions and who members of the public and the Council should contact to make comments on any particular item. Anyone is entitled to obtain copies of the documents that will be relied upon when a decision is taken, unless those documents are ‘Exempt’ within the meaning of the relevant sections of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).


Reports related to decisions will be published on the Council’s web site at www.kent.gov.uk at least five days before the decision it is due to be taken. Once the decision has been taken, a copy of the Record of Decision will also be published on the Council’s website. Paper copies will be made available by contacting Louise Whitaker (telephone 01622 694433 or email louise.whitaker@kent.gov.uk).








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Mr Gary Cooke	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services
Mr M Dance	Cabinet Member for Economic Development
Mr Roger Gough	Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform
Mr Graham Gibbens	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health
Mr Mike Hill	Cabinet Member for Community Services
Mr Bryan Sweetland	Cabinet Member for Commercial and Traded Services
Mr Peter Oakford	Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services










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FORTHCOMING EXECUTIVE DECISIONS LIST SUMMARY – W/C 19/05/2014

Summary of all expected forthcoming executive decisions in date order

No	Date	Subject Matter	Decision Maker	Key Decision	Page No
WITHDRAWN					
UPDATE AWAITED					
	Not before February 2014	Library Services in Sandgate.	Cabinet Member for Community Services	Non-Key	
	Not before February 2014	Library Services in Sherwood	Cabinet Member for Community Services	Non-Key	
	Not before February 2014	Herne Bay Gateway – temporary relocation of library services	Cabinet Member for Community Services	Non-Key	
PROPOSED DECISION PUBLISHED FOR COMMENT					
	Not before March 2014	Broomhill Bank School, Tunbridge Wells - Increase to Published Admission Number PART 2 – ALLOCATION OF FUNDS. (Part 1, a non-key decision to issue a public notice, has been taken and approved).	Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform		
APPROVED SUBJECT TO COMPLETION OF CALL-IN PERIOD					
APPROVED. CALL-IN PERIOD COMPLETED SINCE LAST PUBLICATION					
EXPECTED MAY 2014 AND NOT BEFORE					
	Not before May 2014	Goldwyn School, Ashford - Expansion	Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform	Non-Key	
	Not before May 2014	Furness School, Swanley - Redesignation from BESN to ASD provision	Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform	Non-Key	
	Not before May 2014	Aspen I Unit, Dover - proposed expansion by satellite	Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform	Non-Key	

EXPECTED 2 JUNE 2014 (CABINET)					
	Not before 2 June 2014	NEW! Treasury Management Strategy - Revisions	Cabinet	Non-Key	
	Not before 2 June 2014	NEW! Select Committee on Kent's European Relations – Executive Response	Cabinet	Non-Key	
EXPECTED JUNE 2014 AND NOT BEFORE					
	Not before May 2014	Gravesend SEC Modernisation	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Non-Key	
	Not before February 2014	UPDATED! SEE ENTRY FOR DETAILS Temporary Financial Assistance for Residential Care	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Non-Key	
	Not before June 2014	NEW! Older Persons Residential Contract Re-Let (Pricing)	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health		
	Not before June 2014	NEW! Procurement of Managed Print Services	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services		
	Not before June 2014	NEW! Gatland House - Disposal	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services		
	Not before June 2014	NEW! SIMS Software Procurement	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services		
	Not before June 2014	NEW! Property Disposals – Various (see detailed entry)	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services		
	Not before June 2014	NEW! Shipbourne Road Tonbridge – Disposal	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services		
	Not before June 2014	NEW! Public Service Network – Award of Contract	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services		

	Not before June 2014	NEW! Holmesdale Technical College – Specialist Resource Provision	Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform		
EXPECTED JULY 2014 AND NOT BEFORE					
	Not before March 2014	Kent County Council's Annual Report (Local Account) on Adult Social Care for April 2013 to March 2014	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Non-Key	
	Not before July 2014	NEW! Older Person's Nursing Contract Re-let (Pricing)	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health		
	Not before February 2014	UPDATED! SEE ENTRY FOR DETAILS Discovery Park Enterprise Zone, Sandwich. Growing Places Fund investment – 13/00034	Cabinet Member for Economic Development		
	Not before 22 July 2014	NEW! Kent and Medway Sustainable Energy Partnership Retrofitting Framework	Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport		
	Not before 22 July 2014	Lorry Park Network (Phase 1)	Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport		
	Not before 22 July 2014	Thanet Parkway Railway Station Project Development and Delivery	Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport		
	Not before 22 July 2014	Household Waste Recycling Centres and Transfer Station Contract	Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport		
	Not before 22 July 2014	UPDATED! SEE ENTRY FOR DETAILS Facing the Aviation Challenge (Previously Bold Steps for Aviation)	Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport	Non-Key	
EXPECTED AUGUST 2014 AND NOT BEFORE					
	Not before February 2014	NEW! Older Person's Residential and Older Persons Nursing Contract Re-let	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health		
	Not before February	UPDATED! SEE ENTRY FOR DETAILS Former Shepway Resource Centre, Folkestone – Disposal	Cabinet Member for Corporate and		

	2014		Democratic services		
EXPECTED SEPTEMBER 2014 AND NOT BEFORE					
	Not before February 2014	UPDATED! SEE ENTRY FOR DETAILS Joint Transportation Boards – Agreement and Governance – 13/00038	Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport	Non-Key	
	Not before February 2014	UPDATED! SEE ENTRY FOR DETAILS Growth without Gridlock	Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport		
EXPECTED NOVEMBER 2014 AND NOT BEFORE					
	Not before February 2014	UPDATED! SEE ENTRY FOR DETAILS Sandwich Highways Depot	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services		
EXPECTED JANUARY 2015 AND NOT BEFORE					
	Not before March 2014	UPDATED! SEE ENTRY FOR DETAILS 12/020231 – Eden Centre Lease	Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services	Non-Key	
DATES TO BE CONFIRMED IN LINE WITH DISTRICT TIMETABLES					
	Various	Local Transport Strategies	Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport	Non-Key	

WITHDRAWN

None

UPDATE AWAITED

1.
Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Community Services Issue reference: 13/00017 Key decision: No
Library Services in Sandgate.
<p>To seek approval to delegate responsibility to Sandgate Parish Council for the day to day running of Library services from Sandgate Library, working with volunteers. KCC will retain the statutory responsibility for providing Library services.</p> <p>BS4K To put the citizen in control: the new model will create opportunities for local engagement and involvement in running library services through volunteering opportunities Service objectives: create welcoming and attractive libraries which will be centres for local communities open at convenient times. promote the enjoyment of reading for people of all ages, opportunities for learning provide access to world-wide links to information and services,</p> <p>Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision Savings will be delivered. Services to customers will remain the same The Parish Council do not recruit sufficient volunteers and the library does not open for the required number of hours. Training for Parish Council and volunteers is insufficient and the standard of service deteriorates</p>
Decision details
Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services Date: Not before June 2013
Consultation
Consultation is underway. Key consultee groups Library customers, local people, organisations and groups Start and finish dates of consultation. 30 January 2013 – 6 March 2013 Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation can be viewed at the Council's website: www.kent.gov.uk/libraries Date of publication of consultation outcomes and updated Equalities Impact Assessment 7 March 2013
All members of the council will be informed of the intention to make this decision
The Communities Cabinet Committee considered the issue on 19 September 2012 and the

proposed decision will be further discussed on 14 March 2013

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme?
Yes

The views of Mr Hod Birkby (Local Member) will be sought before the Cabinet Committee considers the proposed decision.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

2.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Community Services
Issue reference: 13/00018
Key decision: No

Library Services in Sherwood

To seek approval to delegate responsibility to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for the day to day running of Library services from Sherwood Library, working with volunteers. KCC to retain the statutory responsibility for providing Library services.

BS4K:

To put the citizen in control: the new model will create opportunities for local engagement and involvement in running library services through volunteering opportunities

Service objectives:

create welcoming and attractive libraries which will be centres for local communities open at convenient times.

promote the enjoyment of reading for people of all ages, opportunities for learning

provide access to world-wide links to information and services,

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

Savings will be delivered.

Services to customers will remain the same

The Borough Council do not recruit sufficient volunteers and the library does not open for the required number of hours.

Training for the Borough Council and volunteers is insufficient and the standard of service deteriorates

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services
Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

Consultation is underway
Key consultee groups

<p>Library customers, local people, organisations and groups Start and finish dates of consultation. 30 January 2013 – 6 March 2013 Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation www.kent.gov.uk/libraries Consultation outcomes and updated Equalities Impact Assessment to be published 7 March 2013</p> <p>All members of the council will be informed of the intention to make this decision</p> <p>The Communities Cabinet Committee considered the issue on 19 September 2012 and the proposed decision will be further discussed on 14 March 2013</p> <p>Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes</p> <p>Mr Chris Hoare (Local Member) views will be sought before the Cabinet Committee considers the proposed decision.</p>
<p>To make representations or request further information</p>
<p>Cath Anley Libraries Registration and Archives 01622 696946 cath.anley@kent.gov.uk</p>
<p>Supporting documents</p>
<p>None specified</p>

<p>3.</p>
<p>Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Community Services Issue reference: 13/00041 Key decision: No</p>
<p>Herne Bay Gateway - temporary relocation of library services</p>
<p>To seek authority to relocate library services from Herne Bay Library to temporary premises during the refurbishment of the building to become a Gateway.</p> <p>BS4K: Putting the citizen in control Customer Services Business Plans 2012/13 and 2013/14 Customer Services Strategy Vision for Kent New Ways of Working Financial Implications: During the closure period costs for the provision of temporary facilities will be kept to a minimum and any revenue costs should be offset by a reduction in user costs for the individual facilities. Relocating library services for Herne Bay will provide the contractor with an unfettered site which will reduce the time of the build and therefore lower capital costs. The temporary facilities will be stocked from existing library resources and there are no implications for the current staffing establishment</p>

<p>Legal Implications: Kent County Council provides library and archive services under the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964 which requires the provision of a 'comprehensive and efficient' library service.</p> <p>Equality Implications: An EQIA has been carried out and is available. Is the matter referred to in the relevant Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes.</p>	
Decision details	
<p>Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services Date: Not before June 2013</p>	
Consultation	
<p>The proposed decision will be considered by Communities Cabinet Committee at the meeting to be held on 11 June 2013.</p> <p>Further consultation is planned. Local members affected will be consulted: Nicholas Bond : Herne Bay Brian MacDowell : Herne Bay Canterbury City Council</p>	
To make representations or request further information	
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Supporting documents	
None specified	

PROPOSED DECISION PUBLISHED

4.	<p>Reference No: 14/00042(b) – ALLOCATION OF FUNDS</p> <p>(14/00042 – ISSUE OF PUBLIC NOTICE)</p>
Broomhill Primary School, Tunbridge Wells - Expansion	
<p>This decision will be taken in two parts. Part 1 has been approved and implemented – to issue the public notice. Part 2, 14/00042(b), key decision to allocate funds, will be taken following completion of the statutory FED publication period.</p> <p>It is proposed to enlarge Broomhill Bank School by 56 places increasing the designated number of places to 136 for the September 2014.</p>	

It is proposed that KCC funded improvements to the school will provide all necessary teaching rooms including specialist teaching spaces. Facilities within the school will be improved and designed to meet the needs of students. A feasibility study has been completed. The total cost is estimated to be in the region of £2 million of which £1.75 million will be funded from Targeted Basic Need and the remainder from the Basic Needs and Special Schools Review Budget. The costs of the project are estimates and these may increase as the project is developed. If the cost of the project is greater than 10% the Cabinet Member will be required to take a further decision to allocate the additional funding.

Revenue - The schools delegated budget will be allocated on an agreed number of commissioned places in accordance with the High Needs funding methodology of 'Place Plus'. Human – Broomhill Bank School will appoint additional teachers, as the school size increases and the need arises.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform
 Date: Not before March 2014
 14/00042 – Non-key
 14/00042 (b) – Key

Consultation

Education Cabinet Committee: 27 September 2013.
 Education Cabinet Committee: 14 March 2014.
 Public Consultation - Held between 10 January 2014 and 26 February 2014.
 Public meeting was held on 21 January 2014 and a drop-in information session for parents was held on 6 February 2014.
 Headteacher and Governing Body
 Local Member for Tunbridge Wells, West: John Davies
 Local Member of Parliament, Rt Hon Greg Clark MP
 Area Education Officer

To make representations or request further information

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Support documents

None submitted

APPROVED SUBJECT TO COMPLETION OF CALL-IN PERIOD

None

APPROVED. CALL-IN COMPLETED SINCE LAST PUBLICATION

None

EXPECTED MAY 2014 AND NOT BEFORE

5.	
Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform Reference No: 14/00059 Key No	
Goldwyn School, Ashford - Expansion	
To seek agreement to the expansion of Goldwyn School, Ashford by a total of 55 places and to undertake consequential actions including the statutory requirement to issue a public notice. The proposed expansion will utilise accommodation currently occupied by the Brook PRU in Folkestone.	
Decision details	
Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform Date: Not before May 2014	
Consultation	
Education Cabinet Committee Local Members: Mr Charlie Simkins, Ashford Rural West Mr Frank McKenna, Folkestone North East	
To make representations or request further information	
Lead officer: David Adams Area Education Officer for South Kent 01233 898559 david.adams@kent.gov.uk	Lead Director: Kevin Shovelton Director of Education Planning and Access 01622 694174 kevin.shovelton@kent.gov.uk
Supporting documents Item B8 - Special schools review	

6.	
Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform Reference No: 14/00058 Key: No	
Furness School, Swanley - Redesignation from BESN to ASD provision	

Proposed redesignation of Furness School from a school for 60 pupils with BESN to one for 60 pupils with ASD.

The project is in line with Kent strategies and in particular helps to ensure that all pupils meet their full potential and shapes education and skills provision around the needs of the Kent economy

Financial Implications: There are no significant capital costs associated with this proposal. Further details on costs to this project will be outlined in the report that will be considered by the Cabinet member in May.

Decision Details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before May 2014

Consultation

Education, Learning and Skills Cabinet Committee - 14 March 2014
Local Member - Robert Brookbank, Swanley

To make representations or request further information

Lead officers: David Adams
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Lead Director: Kevin Shovelton

Director of Education Planning and Access

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Support documents

Item B8 (EYPCC March 2014) - Special schools review

7.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Reference No: 14/00057

Key: No

Aspen I Unit, Dover - proposed expansion by satellite

Proposal to expand the Aspen I Unit, Dover, by creating a satellite provision of 12 places at Aylesham Primary School, Dover

The project is in line with Kent strategies and in particular helps to shape education and skills provision around the needs of the Kent economy and ensures that all pupils meet their full potential

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before May 2014

Consultation
Local Member Mr Geoff Lymer All members will have an opportunity to comment on the proposed decision before it is taken.
To make representations or request further information
Lead Officer: David Adams Area Education Officer for South Kent 01233 898559
Supporting documents None submitted

EXPECTED 2 JUNE 2014 (CABINET)

8.	Reference No: 14/00061
Treasury Strategy Update	
To seek the agreement of Cabinet to make amendments to the Treasury Management Strategy.	
DECISION DETAILS	
Decision maker: Cabinet Date: 2 June 2014 Non-Key	
CONSULTATION	
All members will have access to, and opportunity to comment on, the proposed decision as set out in the Cabinet agenda papers.	
To make representations or request further information	
Lead officer: Nick Vickers Finance & Procurement 01622 694603 nick.vickers@kent.gov.uk	Lead Director: Andy Wood Corporate Director of Finance & Procurement 01622 694647 andy.wood@kent.gov.uk
Supporting documents None	

9.	Reference No: 14/00072
Select Committee - Kent's Relationship with the EU - Cabinet Response	
To seek the agreement of Cabinet to the implementation plan, as a response to the recommendations of the Select Committee report.	

DECISION DETAIL
Decision Maker: Cabinet Date: 2 June 2014 Non-Key
CONSULTATION
All members will have access to, and opportunity to comment on, the proposed decision as part of the Cabinet agenda published prior to the meeting.
To make representations or seek further information
Ron Moys Head of International Affairs Group 01622 221943 ron.moys@kent.gov.uk
Supporting documents
None

EXPECTED JUNE 2014 AND NOT BEFORE

10.		
Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health Reference No: 14/0008 Key: No		
Gravesend SEC Modernisation		
The Cabinet Member is asked to consider and agree to refurbish Gravesend SEC building in order to improve and expand community opportunities		
Decision Details		
Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health Date: Not before June 2014		
Consultation		
A briefing for elected members was held in January 2014. A Formal Consultation with service users, carers and staff took place between 20 January 2014 and 28 February 2014. The decision will be reported to the next meeting of the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee.		
To make representations or request further information		
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Support documents None submitted	

11.	Issue reference: 14/00015
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Temporary Financial Assistance for Residential Care
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To seek agreement to change the policy on Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) for Residential Care to state that a resident will (providing they meet the other criteria) be eligible for TFA once their liquid capital and income can only support their care costs for three months

LATEST UPDATE

19/05/2014 - Decision due date changed from 01/02/2014 to not before 16/06/2014. Reason: Decision has been delayed in order to fully consider the implications of the Social Care Act 2014. This consideration has taken place and a decision is now scheduled for 16 June 2014

FURTHER INFORMATION

The decision by KCC to offer, on a discretionary basis, temporary funding for people unable to access funds (usually because they are tied up in property) is directly compatible with Kent's Bold Step to "tackle disadvantage". It is also in line with the corporate objective of supporting people to access the care and support they need. The current official policy is that an individual must wait until their liquid assets have reduced to £3,000 before they become eligible for TFA. This threshold has not changed for several years and it is now thought to be too low, particularly for people whose weekly income is low. For such people there may not be enough time for KCC to process the necessary agreement and to take over the contract with the home.

Financial Implications: It is not possible to predict accurately the financial implications of the proposed change to the policy. Finance believes it will provide a longer period to arrange for a charge to be placed on the resident's property before KCC begins funding. This is a good thing as it ensures our debt is secure. There are currently less than 100 people receiving TFA. The numbers are not expected to increase due to this change, rather people will be able to start the process of getting help earlier.

Legal Implications: The revision to the policy is entirely in line with KCC's duties under the National Assistance Act 1948, in particular sections 21 and 22.

Equality Implications: The proposed change will benefit all service users.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health
Date: Not before February 2014
Non-key

CONSULTATION

The intention to take the decision was mentioned as part of Cllr Gibbens' oral update to the Social Care and Public Health Cabinet Committee on 5 December 2013. No comments were noted. In addition in March 2012 the issue was discussed by the then Adult Social Care and Public Health Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee and at a Cross Party Members' Meeting. The consensus was in support of the proposal.

Other consultation planned or undertaken: Discussed with relevant Case Management and Finance staff.	
To make representations or request further information	
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Supporting documents	
None	

12.	Reference No: 14/00064
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Older Persons Residential Contract re-let (Pricing)
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To confirm the price paid by KCC for Older Persons Residential Care beds across Kent from 1 October 2014. This contract directly support two of the council's objectives:

- Support the transformation of health and social care in Kent
- Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent.

Additionally, the price increase decision is a key part of the subsequent decision on re-letting the contract for the provision of Older Person Residential Care.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health
Date: Not before June 2014
 Key Decision
Reason: significant effect on communities living or working in two or more divisions

CONSULTATION

Consultation was undertaken with residential care home providers throughout the procurement process. A series of consultation events were held in February 2014, followed by tender workshops in April 2014. Questions and queries from providers were addressed via the Kent Business Portal.

To make representations or seek further information
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Supporting documents

None submitted

29. NEW!	Reference No: 14/00063
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Gatland House - Disposal

To obtain approval for the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to progress with and enter into the necessary documentation to complete the disposal of the property in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services.

FURTHER INFORMATION

This decision relates to the Bold Steps for Kent in securing a capital receipt to fund the capital programme and to streamline the Council's property portfolio in order to achieve financial and efficiency benefits in line with the appropriate property policy.

The impact of the decision will be that the receipt will be achieved as quickly as possible to ensure that the capital programme is delivered and minimise holding costs. Without the decision, KCC will be unable to respond to offers in a timely fashion without losing the prospective purchaser. This will affect the delivery of the capital programme and will increase holding costs.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services
Date: Not before June 2014
Key-Decision
Expenditure of more than £1million

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be published to all members and comments sought prior to the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services taking the decision. The Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee will receive a report setting out the details of the decision.

To make representations or seek further information

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Supporting documents

None submitted

13.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services
Reference No: 14/00075
Key: Yes

Procurement of Managed Print Services

To seek agreement to the procurement of managed print services from Xerox via the existing framework in place at Surrey County Council

Decision Details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services

Date: Not before June 2014

Consultation

All elected members will have access to the proposed decision and related documents prior to it being taken by the Cabinet member. Comments will be sought and those received will be published and the Cabinet Member will have regard to them when taking the decision.

To make representations or request further information

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ICT Business Relationship Manager,
Frank.penfold@kent.gov.uk

Tel: 0300411237

Support documents

None submitted

14.

Reference No: 14/00063

Gatland House - Disposal

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FURTHER INFORMATION

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DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services
Date: Not before June 2014
Key-Decision
Expenditure of more than £1million

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be published to all members and comments sought prior to the Cabinet

Member for Corporate and Democratic Services taking the decision. The Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee will receive a report setting out the details of the decision.

To make representations or seek further information

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Director of Property and Infrastructure Support
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Supporting documents

None submitted

15.

Reference No: 14/00062

SIMS Software Procurement

To agree the procurement SIMS software to allow for its continued use in Kent maintained schools for a period of up to seven years.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Following a joint EU compliant procurement with East Sussex, Surrey and Brighton and Hove Councils, the ICT Division would like to procure the SIMS MIS software for Kent maintained schools and establishments to allow the continued use of the software for school MIS purposes including the statutory returns required by the Department for Education.

The SIMS MIS system has been used in schools for many years and has remained the schools preferred MIS solution despite other alternatives being available on the market.

Various Kent support units e.g. Kent EiS, Kent Schools Personnel Service, Kent Schools Finance, currently offer services to schools and academies based around the use of the SIMS MIS software and this forms part of the overall business plan for these various units and their Directorate.

Kent, on behalf of its maintained schools and establishments, currently pays Capita Children's Services Limited approximately £500,000 per year (or approximately £4.00 per pupil) for the use of the SIMS MIS software under the Kent LA SIMS License.

The amount paid under this procurement arrangement does not include academies which are not permitted by the software vendor to acquire the SIMS MIS software through the Kent LA SIMS Licence and as such have to make their own licensing arrangements.

The expenditure incurred is de-delegated from the schools delegated funding and is subject to the agreement of the Schools Funding Forum each year. The number of schools covered by the licence is reviewed annually to ensure Kent is not paying for schools that have converted to academy status and if a school converts to an academy part way through a financial year a credit is claimed from the software vendor for the period from the academy's conversion date to the end of the financial year.

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Services Limited approximately £500,000 per year (or approximately £4.00 per pupil) for the use of the SIMS MIS software under the Kent LA SIMS License.

The amount paid under this procurement arrangement does not include academies which are not permitted by the software vendor to acquire the SIMS MIS software through the Kent LA SIMS Licence and as such have to make their own licensing arrangements.

The expenditure incurred is de-delegated from the schools delegated funding and is subject to the agreement of the Schools Funding Forum each year.

The number of schools covered by the license is reviewed annually to ensure that Kent is not paying for schools that have converted to academy status and if a school converts to an academy part way through a financial year a credit is claimed from the software vendor for the period from the academy's conversion date to the end of the financial year.

By doing this procurement for all Kent maintained schools and establishments under the Kent LA SIMS Licence arrangements, the cost for the continued use of the SIMS MIS software for these schools is considerably lower when compared to what an individual school would be required to pay for the same software as a single school (approximately £10.00 per pupil).

This procurement will allow schools the continued use of the software for a period of up to seven years and will remove any risk to the authority of being challenged over the continued use of the software by Kent maintained schools and establishments without a suitable procurement having been put in place.

There are no equality implications arising from this decision.

Various Kent support units currently offer services to schools and academies based around the use of the SIMS software in schools and this forms part of the overall business plan for these various units and their Directorate.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before June 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be published to all members and comments sought prior to the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services taking the decision.

The Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee will receive a report setting out details of the decision once taken.

To make representations or seek further information

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Supporting documents

None submitted

16. **Reference No: 14/00068**

Property Disposals at Dumpton Park Drive, Broadstairs; Freeman's Way, Deal; Stock Lane, Wilmington; and London Road, Westerham

Approval is sought for the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to progress with and enter into the necessary documentation to complete the disposal of the properties in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services. The Decision also seeks for legal agreements to be actioned to complete the sales of the relevant properties.

FURTHER INFORMATION

This decision relates to the Bold Steps for Kent in securing a capital receipt to fund the capital programme and to streamline the Council's property portfolio in order to achieve financial and efficiency benefits in line with the Property Policy.

The impact of the decision will be that the receipt will be achieved as quickly as possible to ensure that the capital programme is delivered and minimise holding costs. Without the decision, KCC will be unable to respond to offers in a timely fashion without losing the prospective purchaser. This will affect the delivery of the capital programme and will increase holding costs.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services
Date: Not before June 2014
Decision class: Key
Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be published to all members and comments sought prior to the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services taking the decision. The Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee will receive a report setting out the details.

To make representations or seek further information

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Support documents

None

17. **Reference No: 14/00067**

Disposal of site at Shipbourne Road, Tonbridge

Approval is sought for the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to progress with and enter into the necessary documentation to complete the disposal of the property in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services. The Decision also seeks for legal agreements to be actioned to complete the sales of the relevant properties.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The decision relates to the Bold Steps for Kent in securing a capital receipt to fund the capital programme and to streamline the Council's property portfolio in order to achieve financial and efficiency benefits in line with the Property Policy.

The impact of the decision will be that the receipt will be achieved as quickly as possible to ensure that the capital programme is delivered and minimise holding costs. Without the decision, KCC will be unable to respond to offers in a timely fashion without losing the prospective purchaser. This will affect the delivery of the capital programme and will increase holding costs

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services
Date: Not before June 2014
Decision class: Key
Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be published to all members and comments sought prior to the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services taking the decision. The Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee will receive a report setting out details.

To make representations or seek further information
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Supporting documents

None

18.	Reference No: 14/00069
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Award of Contract for the provision of the Public Service Network
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To award a contract for the technology infrastructure that supports digital communication for all public services in Kent and provides secure links to central government and neighbouring regions

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before June 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

CONSULTATION

At its meeting on 23 April 2014 the Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee noted a report providing a background briefing on the Kent Public Services Networks and the progress of the procurement for which the final bids had been submitted.

Extensive discussions have taken place with all 21 public agencies supporting the procurement.

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Supporting documents

None submitted

19.

Reference No: 14/00071

Holmesdale Technology College - Specialist Resource Provision

The purpose of the decision is to create Specialist Resourced Provision (SRP) at Holmesdale Technology College, Malling Road, Snodland for 12 pupils with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) with effect from 1 September 2014.

The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform will be asked to endorse recommendations to:
(i) issue a public notice to Holmesdale Technology College and
(ii) subject to no objections being received to implement by 1 September 2014.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The project is in line with Kent strategies and in particular supports the following;

Bold Steps for Kent priorities to

(i) Ensure all pupils meet their full potential

(ii) Shape education and skills provision around the needs of the Kent economy

The proposed alteration will offer 12 additional SEN places in the area which reflects KCC's aspirations to increase the number of SEN school places across the County, as set out in the Commissioning Plan for Education Provision in Kent 2013-18.

Financial Implications:

Capital Programme – The cost is minimal as accommodation will be provided by reconfiguration of existing buildings.

Revenue - The schools delegated budget will be allocated on an agreed number of commissioned places in accordance with the High Needs funding methodology of Place Plus.

Human – Holmesdale Technology College will appoint additional teachers, as the school size increases and the need arises

Legal Implications: Section 19 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Kent County Council

intends to make the a prescribed alteration to Holmesdale Technology College.
School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before June 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

CONSULTATION

A public consultation is running from 20 May 2014 – 24 June 2014.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-consultations>

Mr Roger Gough, Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform, Kent County Council has agreed to support the undertaking of a public consultation to seek the views of the education and wider communities on a proposal create Specialist Resource Provision (SRP) at Holmesdale Technology College, Malling Road, Snodland, Kent, ME6 5HS for pupils with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) with effect from 1 September 2014.

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision?

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Supporting documents

None

EXPECTED JULY AND NOT BEFORE

20.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Issue reference:

Key No

Kent County Council's Annual Report (Local Account) on Adult Social Care for April 2013 to March 2014

To approve the Annual Report for Adult Social Care for April 2013 – March 2014.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Date: Not before February 2014

Consultation

The Local Account will be considered by the Social Care and Public health Cabinet Committee at its meeting 16th January 2014.

To make representations or request further information

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21.

Reference No: 14/00065

Older Persons Nursing Contract re-let (pricing)

To confirm the price paid by KCC for Older Persons Nursing care beds across Kent from 1 October 2014.

FURTHER INFORMATION

These contracts directly support two of the council's objectives:

- Support the transformation of health and social care in Kent.
- Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent.

Additionally, the price increase decision is a key part of the subsequent decision on reletting the contracts for the provision of Older Person Nursing care.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Financial Implications: Any price increase will be based on detailed analysis of the costs of care provision to ensure that the Council is paying a 'fair price for care'. This analysis will be undertaken as part of the ongoing work with the providers and is about putting the sector on a more sustainable footing for the longer term.

Legal Implications: Legal and Democratic Services have advised Officers that the associated contracts are required to be relet by 1 October 2014 in order to met the council's obligations. This price increase is part of undertaking the subsequent relet.

Equality Implications: None

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Date: Not before July 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if Key Decision: significance criteria met

CONSULTATION

Consultation was undertaken with nursing care home providers throughout the procurement process. A series of consultation events were held in February 2014, followed by tender workshops in April 2014. Questions and queries from providers were addressed via the Kent Business Portal.

The proposed decision will be considered by the 11th July Adult Social Care and Public Health Cabinet Committee.

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Supporting documents

None submitted

22.

Issue reference: 13/00034

Discovery Park Enterprise Zone, Sandwich. Growing Places Fund investment

To seek authority for KCC to enter into a credit agreement with Essex County Council to draw down the GPF funding; and seek to enter into a series of annual subordinate credit agreements with Discovery Park Ltd (the owners of Discovery Park).

In addition, KCC will enter into an agreement with the Homes and Communities Agency, which owns the freehold of the site, to enable the development to proceed.
This shall be subject to final due diligence.

LATEST UPDATE

Decision due date changed from 20/07/2013 to 08/07/2014.

REASON: A full project proposal is due to be completed by officers shortly. The decision is likely to be progressed in July at which time it will be considered at the Growth, Economic Development and Communities Cabinet Committee scheduled for 8 July 2014

FURTHER INFORMATION

Growing Places Fund (GPF) is a Government scheme which provides loan finance to unlock development sites where these will create new jobs and homes. In the South East, the Fund is administered by the South East Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), for which Essex County Council acts as the accountable body.

Following a call for projects and appraisal, the LEP has given indicative approval to allocate up to £8 million over five years for a rolling programme of capital investment.

This Decision contributes to delivery of the following Delivering Bold Steps priorities:

Priority 8: Respond to key regeneration challenges, working with our partners. This specifically prioritises actions to unlock key sites, where these will lead to jobs and housing

Impact: The proposed Decision will mean that KCC will be able to draw down Growing Places Fund investment of up to £8 million. It is anticipated that this will contribute to the safeguarding of up to 2,000 jobs at Discovery Park by supporting the Enterprise Zone's continued viability and attractiveness to investors.

Risks: GPF funding is repayable. The primary risk is that KCC will be liable to repay the GPF loan to the Accountable Body, even if Discovery Park Ltd is unable to repay. This will be mitigated through due diligence, the robust drafting of the credit agreements, and project monitoring.

Costs: There will be some costs to KCC in managing the credit agreement. These will be recovered

through interest payments and/ or through recharges to the central GPF fund, with costs and recovery mechanisms considered in development of the credit agreement.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Economic Development
Date: Not before July 2013
Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

CONSULTATION

KCC has taken the advice of the members of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership Board, who have been involved to Level 3 (Make Choices).

Other key consultee groups

South East Local Enterprise Board members (including business representatives and local authority leaders).

In addition, Dover District Council has been consulted as part of the project appraisal process.

Public Consultation

Summer 2012 – March 2013

There is no separate consultation outcomes report. However, the discussion at the South East LEP Board has been published at www.southeastlep.com.

Equalities Impact Assessment

An Equalities Impact Assessment has not yet been prepared. It is anticipated that there will be few equalities impacts arising from this Decision. However, there may be combined impacts arising from the series of proposed Decisions to enter into credit agreements for GPF for a number of projects. It is therefore proposed that a single Equalities Impact Assessment will be undertaken for all related Decisions prior to the proposed Decision for this project being taken.

Cabinet Committee:

KCC's approach to Growing Places Fund has been discussed by the Economic Development Cabinet Committee on 5 July 2012 and 21 September 2012 (although these discussions did not include the specific allocation of GPF investment to Discovery Park).

In addition, the proposed Decision will be discussed by ED Cabinet Committee on 14 June.

Growing Places Fund investment is referred to in Economic Development Unit Divisional Business Plan 2013/14

Local Members

The development is located in Sandwich (Leyland Ridings). However, as the development of the Enterprise Zone is of strategic importance, all Members in East Kent may be affected by the Decision.

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Supporting documents:

None specified

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Kent and Medway Sustainable Energy Partnership – Retrofitting framework

To seek approval for KCC to procure, on behalf of the Kent and Medway Sustainable Energy Partnership, a sustainable energy retrofitting framework for Kent and Medway.

FURTHER INFORMATION

How the decision relates to BS4K and Corporate Objectives:

- This will contribute to the delivery of Priority 5, specifically:
- The 'Kent Environment Strategy' - EF1.1: We will simplify the energy and water efficiency support landscape for Kent residents and support development of and access to, finance mechanisms such as the Green Deal and Energy Company Obligation (ECO)
 - Build a strong relationship with key business sectors across Kent (this will support the growth of the low carbon sector in Kent)
 - Respond to key regeneration challenges working with our partners
 - Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent (this will tackle issues around fuel poverty)
 - Links to the low carbon sector priorities in the Kent and Medway Growth Plan.

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision:

- The overall framework value is estimated at approximately £10million but will be dependent on resident take up and national decisions regarding funding for energy efficiency measures.
- This value represents a combination of national funding drawn into Kent and Medway, access to nationally available finance and partners own budgets
- Setting up a framework provides KCC, districts and social housing providers with the potential to access ECO (and other) grant funding, Green Deal (and other) finance to improve their own housing stock as well as using their own capital or revenue budgets – **but there is no obligation to call off the framework**
- Setting up the framework also enables Kent authorities to work with successful suppliers to offer part or fully funded energy efficiency measures to private residents through joint communications and use of our own trusted brands
- KCC’s involvement is as lead authority to establish the framework; it is anticipated that KCC will facilitate the delivery of measures to private residents but has little or no stock of its own to improve.
- Should KCC choose to utilise the framework for improvements to its own stock or to support the installation of measures in private (vulnerable) residents properties through a financial contribution, the decision to incur spend will go through the established KCC channels (this decision is about setting up the framework, and does not include a decision regarding any KCC spend).
- The decision for districts and registered providers to call of the contract will be the responsibility of the individual district or registered provider using their own internal processes.
- Key risk for KCC is around reputation risk of offering a service to partners and key residents through a number of third parties (approved suppliers).

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment
Date: July 2014
Decision class: Key
Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

CONSULTATION
<p>No legal requirement to consult, however KCC have worked in partnership with a range of key stakeholders to develop these plans. Kent and Medway Sustainable Energy Partnership (KMSEP – formally the Kent and Medway Green Deal Partnership) - reports to Kent Environment Champions and Kent Housing Group Kent Energy Efficiency Partnership (KEEP) – reports to the Kent Private Sector Housing Group</p> <p>Start and finish dates of consultation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented options and proposals for delivery at meetings in March and April to gain agreement • Will consult on procurement documents in May <p>Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation. Please state where this can be found: G:\CED Climate Change\Projects\CURRENT PROJECTS\RetrofittingWarm Homes\Project management\Logs and reports\140425 Equality Impact Assessment update.doc</p>
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Supporting documents:
<p>Procurement plan Equality Impact Assessment</p>

24.
<p>Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment Reference No: 14/00055 Key: Yes</p>
Lorry Park Network (Phase 1)
<p>To determine the preferred site for the delivery of the first lorry park (Phase 1) of a network of lorry parks across Kent, based on the detailed evidence to be provided and once determined approve:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) the work to undertake land acquisition, including commencing the Compulsory Purchase Order process; b) the undertaking of a public consultation exercise on the preferred site later in 2014, and; c) Commencement of project development work and submission of a planning application. <p>This project directly supports the strategic aims of KCC:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. It 'helps the Kent economy to grow': it will encourage inward investment in to East Kent, improve business productivity by alleviating congestion and unreliability (avoiding a loss of £1m/day during Operation Stack) and reduce wastage of public money associated with managing Operation Stack and dealing with inappropriate overnight lorry parking. Kent's Business Advisory Board states the impact of Operation Stack on their businesses is substantially negative and therefore it is hoped that the improvements described will also help to tackle the perception that Kent is not open for business, currently an unwanted misconception that occurs as a result of the national publicity

that Operation Stack receives.

- ii. It 'tackles disadvantage': by reducing accidents, improving quality of life for Kent's residents, reducing illegal and unsuitable lorry parking (including overnight parking) in Kent, improving drivers' dignity and helping them to follow the EU Drivers Hours Directive, improving the perceptual image of East Kent from a tourism perspective and reducing the amount of public resources diverted to the management of Operation Stack.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date: Not before July 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Relevant financial criteria exceeded.

Consultation

The project was considered by the Environment, Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee in January 2014 as part of the update of Growth without Gridlock, KCC's 20 year transport delivery plan, itself forming part of the 'Unlocking the Potential' economic strategy. No project specific comments were received.

The proposed decision will be discussed in detail at the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee scheduled for 22nd July 2014.

Further consultation is planned as part of the project development and is expected to be held in the autumn of 2014 with a second, more detailed, consultation anticipated around September 2015.

Electoral divisions within the districts of Ashford, Shepway and Dover are particularly affected by this proposal.

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Supporting documents:

None submitted

25.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Reference No: 14/00056

Key: Yes

Thanet Parkway Railway Station - Project Development and Delivery

To approve next steps for developing Thanet Parkway project involving:

- a) the work to undertake land acquisition, including commencing the Compulsory Purchase Order process;
- b) the undertaking of public consultations this and next financial years, and;

c) the commencement of development work and submission of planning application.

The project is outlined as a priority within Growth without Gridlock (2010-30), the Local Transport Plan (2011-16) and the Rail Action Plan for Kent (2011) and will address Kent County Council's key objectives.

The project will 'help the Kent economy to grow': it will unlock development in East Kent and boost Kent's economy by improving rail accessibility to key employment sites such as the Discovery Park Enterprise Zone, Manston Business Park, Eurokent Business Park, Westwood Cross and China Gateway.

The Thanet District Council Core Strategy Options Consultation (2013) identifies the district's intention to deliver 7,500 houses by 2026. In order to support this level of development rail accessibility will need to be improved, as limited car parking capacity at Ramsgate station currently restricts its ability to cater for additional demand. The Parkway station would enable delivery of more than 2,000 new houses and 5,000 new jobs in East Kent by improving connectivity and accessibility to key development areas and improving perceptions of the area.

The project will help to 'tackle disadvantage and unemployment' in East Kent: The Parkway station itself is located in Thanet, where 15,200 households were recorded as living in poverty in 2010 and unemployment at 5.7% (June 2013), significantly higher than Kent's average unemployment rate of 2.8% (June 2013). The scheme will enable key employment areas to be reached by public transport, which are currently only accessible by private car. The Parkway station will increase employment opportunities for Thanet residents to London and other locations in the county such as Ashford and will bring London to within 1 hour travel time opening up significant inward investment opportunities for Thanet.

Financial Implications: £10 million grant funding is being sought from the Single Local Growth fund; discussions are taking place with Network Rail and the private sector to fill any funding gap to deliver the Parkway station. The business case work has been completed, showing that the project offers high value for money and the station is commercially viable (net fares revenue is in excess of the on-going cost). Depending on the operating model, there is the potential for the station car park to provide a future income to KCC over a number of years.

Legal Implications: Legal advice will be sought throughout the development of this project to prepare agreements with Network Rail and ensure we are complying with the necessary UK and EU regulations in delivering a commercial car park at the station.

Equality Implications: An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out for this project and will be attached with the July 2014 Cabinet Committee report.

The matter is agreed as part of the Council's annual budget for 2014-15 at page 32, row reference 12.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date: Not before July 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Consultation

As part of the project development a public consultation is planned for Autumn 2014 with a further more detailed consultation anticipated around September 2015.

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Supporting documents
None submitted

26.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment
Reference No: 14/00035
Key Yes

Household Waste and Recycling Centres and Transfer Station Contract

To seek approval for the award of the Household Waste and Recycling Contract (HWRC) and Transfer Station (TS) Contract to the preferred bidder or bidders.

Financial Implications: The proposed contract spend by KCC will be approximately £7.8M per year for an initial period of up to six years, with a possible six year extension based on performance.
Legal Implications: KCC have a statutory responsibility to provide a service to enable householders to dispose of their waste.
Equality Implications: Relevant EIA's will be part of the procurement project documentation. The proposed decision is in line with Kent's priorities. It will improve how we procure and commission services (to help the Kent economy to grow)'.
The matter is referred to in the Waste Business Plan 2013

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment
Date: Not before May 2014
Reason if Key Decision: Financial Criteria exceeded

Consultation

The Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee will receive a Procurement update during the April 2014 meeting cycle.
Further consultation will be undertaken to gather opinions from key consultee groups to ensure that the tender and evaluation process is sufficiently robust, in order to allow the Cabinet Member to sign off the final procurement outcome, prior to 01 September 2014.
Key consultee groups are as follows:
Corporate Procurement, Legal Services, Property, Finance, Potential Suppliers (Market Engagement). Executive Director, Key Waste Officers
In addition, on-going consultation and engagement throughout the procurement process will include: Market Engagement with Potential Bidders, Waste Collection Authorities (District Councils), Liaison with other waste disposal authorities, Engagement/Benchmarking, Focus Groups

Finally the following key dates must be adhered to:
Preferred Bidder/s Identified: 15/16 May 2014
Standstill Period: 3-17 June 2014
Contract Sign: 26 June 2014
Mobilisation: 3 July 2014

Contract Start: 1 September 2014

Local Members and electoral Divisions in East and Mid Kent are particularly affected.

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Supporting documents

None submitted

27.

Issue reference: 13/00025

Facing the Aviation Challenge (Previously Bold Steps for Aviation)

To agree the council's approach to issues of aviation

LATEST UPDATE 19/05/2014

1. The decision title has been changed from Bold Steps for Aviation to Facing the Aviation Challenge.
REASON: In order to maintain a 'one council' approach to policy and strategy. The principle of the decision – to establish KCC's approach to aviation issues – remains unchanged.
2. Decision due date changed from 13/12/2013 to 22/07/2014.
REASON: The decision has been delayed owing to uncertainty regarding the future of Manston Airport and the consequences of that for any strategic direction supported by Kent County Council. The decision will not now be taken before 22 July in order that the draft document can be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee before it is considered for adoption by the Cabinet Member

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste
Date: Not before June 2013
Non-Key

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee in July 2014.

To make representations or request further information

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Support documents

None specified

EXPECTED AUGUST AND NOT BEFORE

28.	Reference No: 14/00066
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Older Persons Residential and Older Persons Nursing Contract re-let

The decision is needed to enable sufficient provision of Older Persons Residential and Older Persons Nursing care beds across Kent so that the market can fulfil KCC's statutory duty to place those assessed as requiring this type of care. By securing sufficient provision at a 'fair price' for all those in need of residential/nursing care, KCC will continue to meet the aim of the council being a commissioning authority. These contracts directly support two of the council's objectives:

- Support the transformation of health and social care in Kent.
- Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Financial Implications: The relet of the contracts for the provision of residential and nursing care will ensure that the price paid to the independent sector is a 'fair price for care', based on a clear understanding for the costs of care provision following analysis undertaken as part of the consultation and relet process. The relet will move the sector to a more sustainable basis which may cause a budget pressure.

Legal Implications: Legal and Democratic Services have advised Officers that these contracts are required to be relet by 1 October 2014 in order to meet the council's obligations.

Equality Implications:

None

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Date: Not before August 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if Key Decision: Significance criteria met

CONSULTATION

Consultation was undertaken with residential and nursing care home providers throughout the procurement process. A series of consultation events were held in February 2014, followed by tender workshops in April 2014. Questions and queries from providers were addressed via the Kent Business Portal.

The relet will be discussed at 11 July Adult Social Care and Public Health Cabinet Committee.

To make representation or seek further information

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Supporting documents

None submitted

29. Issue reference: 14/00022

Former Shepway Resource Centre, Folkestone – Disposal

To seek approval to the disposal of the former Shepway Resource Centre following the marketing of the site

LATEST UPDATE

Decision due date changed from 18/02/2014 to 01/08/2014.
REASON: The proposed decision to dispose of the Centre was delayed while internal processes were undertaken to ensure that no other suitable use could be found before disposal. This process is complete and the former resource centre will be placed on the market shortly. Responses from the market will be gauged after a period of approximately 3 months and a proposal for the site put forward at that time. The decision will be considered by the Property Sub-Committee or the Policy and Resources cabinet Committee before being taken by the Cabinet Member.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services
Date: Not before August 2014
Reason if Key Decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded

CONSULTATION

The proposals will be discussed at Policy & Resources' Property Sub Committee following marketing.
The property is situated within the electoral division of Folkestone West. Cllr Hod Birkby has been consulted.

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Supporting documents

None

EXPECTED SEPTEMBER AND NOT BEFORE

30. Reference No: 13/00038

Joint Transportation Boards - Agreement and Governance

This decision seeks approval of an updated Joint Transportation Board (JTB) Agreement with District Councils. The existing agreement is out of date and needs to be revised to reflect changes to the County Council's constitution.

In particular, a new clause has been added to the Agreement; "subject to the agreement of the Chairman, additional representatives from Parish/Town Councils may attend but may neither vote nor propose a motion nor an amendment".

This reflects the current variation in practice within JTBS and the desire to have one flexible Agreement covering all JTBS rather than individual bespoke arrangements.

LATEST UPDATE

Decision due date changed from 01/06/2013 to 22/07/2014.
REASON: Negotiations continue between the relevant stakeholders to amend the agreement relating to JTBS.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment
Date: Not before June 2013
Non-Key

FURTHER INFORMATION

JTBS are an important local mechanism for discussing highway/transport matters. In this context, JTBS meet Kent County Council's Localism Agenda.
There are no impacts, costs or risks relating to the proposed decision

CONSULTATION

All JTBS will be consulted on the proposals before the decision will be put to the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment for consideration on taking the decision
The consultation will take place February/March 2013 JTB meetings
An Equalities Impact Assessment will not be conducted
All County Members will be informed

The matter has been considered and the recommendations endorsed by the Environment, Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee at its meeting of 10 January 2013.

The matter is not referred to in the Business Plan or Medium Term Capital programme

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

Growth Without Gridlock	
<p>To seek approval of the content of Growth without Gridlock in Kent and Medway report. This summarises the achievements of the past three years since the launch of Growth without Gridlock and outlines priorities for delivery to 2021 for Kent and Medway, thus reflecting the federated geography of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership.</p>	
LATEST UPDATE	
<p>19/05/2014 - Decision due date changed from 10/02/2014 to 17/09/2014. REASON: The strategic position relating to Highways and Transportation projects was set out as part of the LEP Strategic Economic Plan submitted via KMED and the LEP to the Secretary of State at the end of March 2014, you can view the decision to submit and the document submitted here, https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=577</p> <p>Central Government is expected to announce a funding allocation in July 2014. Based on these allocations the final selection and prioritisation of projects for inclusion in Growth without Gridlock will take place and the strategy as completed can be adopted by decision of the Cabinet Member.</p> <p>The decision date has been updated to 'not before' 17 September 2014 in order that the draft strategy can be considered by the relevant Cabinet Committee before any decision is taken.</p>	
DECISION DETAILS	
<p>Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport Date: Not before 17/09/2014 Key: Yes Reason: Significant effect on communities living or working in two or more electoral divisions</p>	
CONSULTATION	
<p>An earlier version was discussed at January 2013 Cabinet Committee with only minor comments received. The final draft was considered by the Cabinet Committee on 21 January 2014. All Members and Electoral Divisions are affected by the proposed decision</p>	
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Supporting documents	
None	

EXPECTED NOVEMBER AND NOT BEFORE

32.	Issue reference: 12/02033
Sandwich Highways Depot	
To seek approval to proceed with the disposal of the above site to raise a capital receipt which	

will be allocated to support the capital programme and to seek approval to identify and progress with the acquisition of a new site for the service.

The Director of Property and Infrastructure Support is authorised via the Executive Scheme of Delegation to finalise terms for both the disposal and acquisition of a new site.

LATEST UPDATE

19/05/2014: Decision due date changed from 23/12/2013 to 'Not before' 01/11/2014.
REASON: The disposals team at KCC are currently working on new plans for the site in order to ensure that the maximum value for the site is secured. Options appraisal work is underway and this work is expected to take approx. 6 months, therefore an expected decision date is set for November.

FURTHER INFORMATION

BS4K:

This decision is needed to enable a modern highway service operation to be provided in the East Kent Area that is both reactive and responsive to changing demands. It directly supports 3 of the Bold Steps for Kent.

Firstly it helps deliver the "Kent Environment Strategy" by the provision of new environmentally friendly facilities (e.g. grey water) via the construction technique with the eventual adaptation of new work practices within the new depot.

Secondly it builds relations with key business sectors across Kent as the supply chain involved in such a project provides work to businesses of all sizes.

Thirdly by the better siting and provision of facilities for the new depot it ensures that the most robust and effective public protection arrangements are in place for road management including bad weather response.

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision;

The impact of the decision is that full assessment of the potential disposal of the site can be explored within the market place to ensure that best value principles are adhered to. In tandem a full search and feasibility study will be undertaken to identify a new location for the alternative highways depot which satisfies the above objectives.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before November 2014

Key: No

CONSULTATION

None specified

To make representations or request further information

Rebecca Spore

Director of Property and Infrastructure

Supporting documents

None specified

EXPECTED JANUARY 2015 AND NOT BEFORE

Eden Centre Lease	
To agree the principle of the grant of a long lease to a charitable community interest company or similar vehicle of The Eden Centre, the timelines and processes that need to follow.	
LATEST UPDATE	
<p>19/05/2014 - Decision due date changed from 01/03/2014 to 01/01/2015. REASON: The decision remains at the earliest stages of investigation and options appraisal. A further review will take place in January 2015 when a decision pathway will be identified and the proposed decision updated further.</p>	
FURTHER INFORMATION	
<p>BS4K The proposal directly links to Bold Steps for Kent, such as putting the citizen in control, building new partnerships and providing a new fit for purpose building to deliver Library and FSC services in conjunction with other partners such as the Citizen's Advice Bureau and House (West Kent Action), to support Kent's more vulnerable citizens.</p> <p>Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision The impact of the decision will be KCC will have less control if the management and operation of the centre become the responsibility of a third party, reliance on the professionalism of the trustees to deliver a successful facility, financial model for the charitable vehicle will have to be agreed by all partners, reputational risk to KCC if the charitable vehicle fails, relies upon getting buy in from all community groups in occupation to form trust, untried and untested model, level of income generation from the centre which could go to the charitable vehicle is currently unknown as new facility, continued KCC ownership of a non core asset, officers may be unable to get agreement from stakeholders, charitable vehicle is not financially sustainable or the trust may break down and charitable vehicle will have to pick up void periods and associated costs (benefit to KCC).</p>	
DECISION DETAILS	
<p>Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services Date: Not before June 2013 Key: No</p>	
CONSULTATION	
<p>The Eden Church, Citizen's Advice Bureau, House (West Kent Action), Edenbridge Library and FSC as partners in the centre. It is expected that representatives from all of these occupier groups will be represented by the charitable vehicle trustees, along with Sevenoaks District Council and Edenbridge Town Council.</p>	
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Supporting documents	
None specified	

DATES TO BE CONFIRMED IN LINE WITH DISTRICT TIMETABLES

34.	
Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste Reference No: 12/01923, 12/01925, 12/01926, 12/01928, 12/01929, 12/01933, 12/01969 Key decision: Yes	
Local Transport Strategies – Various	
<p>To agree various local transport strategies.</p> <p>BS4K: The strategies will ‘Help the ‘Kent Economy Grow’ and ‘Tackle Disadvantage’ by managing congestion in town centres, improving the reliability of journey times for commuters and visitors and managing freight journeys more successfully. This will in turn enhance key sustainable transport links to employment, education and health care.</p> <p>Impacts / Costs and risks of proposed decisions: The transport strategies to be agreed all form part a key part of evidence base for the relevant Local Plan. These plans will be subject to and examination in public by and independent planning inspector during 2013. The appropriateness and deliverability of each strategy will be an important consideration in the inspector’s decision on the soundness of the Plan as a whole.</p> <p>The delivery of each transport strategy will be heavily dependent on securing funding contributions from development through the section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) processes, as KCC’s Local Transport Plan funding allocation from Central Government is likely to be under sustained pressure from the foreseeable future. KCC will not be the charging authority therefore it will be reliant on each local council as the planning authority to allocate sufficient CIL revenue to the priority transport infrastructure projects identified in the strategy. The availability of CIL revenue will in turn be dictated by the phasing and extent of new development which will be influenced by a range of external factors.</p> <p>Adoption of the Tonbridge Town Centre Revised Transport Strategy by Kent County Council (KCC).</p>	
Decision Details	
<p>Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment Date: Between December 2012 and December 2014 Reason if Key Decision: The decisions are likely to be significant in terms of their effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the relevant local authority</p>	
Consultation	
<p>The relevant Local Members for each plan will be consulted The Environment Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee will consider each plan prior to the agreement of the Cabinet Member.</p>	
To make representations or request further information	
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<p>Supporting documents None submitted</p>	