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To: Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee – 4 May 2022

Subject: Decisions taken between Cabinet Committee Meetings

Classification: UNRESTRICTED

Electoral Division/s: All

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Summary:

An urgent decision was taken outside of the Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee as it could not reasonably be deferred to the next programmed committee for the reason(s) set out in paragraph 1.3 below.

Recommendation:

The Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee is asked to note that Decision No. 22/00037, Homes for Ukraine Scheme in Kent, was taken in accordance with sections 12.32 and 12.35 of the Council's constitution.

1. Background

- 1.1 In accordance with the new governance arrangements, all significant or Key Decisions must be listed in the Forthcoming Executive Decision List and should be submitted to the relevant Cabinet Committee for endorsement or recommendation prior to the decision being taken by the Cabinet Member or Cabinet.
- 1.2 For the reason set out below it has not been possible for this decision to be discussed by the Cabinet Committee prior to it being taken by the Leader of the Council. Therefore, in accordance with the process set out in the Council's Constitution, the Chairman and Group Spokespersons for this Cabinet Committee, the Chairman and Spokesmen for the Scrutiny Committee were informed prior to the decision being taken and their views were recorded on the Record of Decision (attached at Appendix A). After the decision was taken, it was published.
- 1.3 The deadlines and dates of the Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee would have delayed the decision. To delay the decision would have meant that Kent County Council (KCC) would not have been able to implement the

scheme and ensure that appropriate infrastructure was in place within the required timescale, to support the delivery of the programme in the county. Compliance with the standard executive decision timeframes would significantly delay the delivery of vital support to Ukrainian refugees coming to the UK to hosts in Kent, or those who are sponsors as part of the Homes for Ukraine National Programme.

2. Recommendation(s)

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3. Background documents - Appendices

- 3.1. Appendix A - Record of Decision No. 22/00037
- 3.2. 22/00037 Decision Report
- 3.3. 22/00037 Equality Impact Assessment

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