# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

#### **DECISION TAKEN BY**

Nick Chard, Cabinet Member Environment Highways and Waste

DECISION NO. 09/01351

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### Subject:

The decision relates to acceptance of the policy for licensing of Temporary Obstructions on the highway, including Advertising Boards (A-Boards) and Tables and Chairs.

#### Decision:

The decision is taken to accept the update to the KCC KHS Street Furniture Policy - a revised policy for licensing of Temporary Obstructions on the highway, including Advertising Boards (A-Boards) and Tables and Chairs. The main focus of the policy is to allow safe movement for pedestrians, those with buggies and those who have reduced mobility.

It was decided that the Committee approved a further step to enable KHS to deal with the growing number of unlicensed items on the highway, in a fair and proportionate way. Any owner of an unlicensed temporary obstruction on the highway, such as an A-board, Tables and Chairs or other items such as Goods on the highway would be encouraged to apply for a licence. Where this is declined, owners would be formally asked in writing to remove the items and formally warned that a repeat occurrence would incur an inspection charge, the primary purpose is to deter repeating the offence and enforce without a cost burden being placed upon Kent County Council.

### Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken

None received

#### Reason(s) for decision, including alternatives considered and any additional information

The main focus of the policy is to allow safe movement for pedestrians, those with buggies and those who have reduced mobility.

The policy meets the need of local business and services to continue to advertise its services and make reasonable commercial use of highway within strict criteria.

This policy has passed the customer impact assessment and has been developed in conjunction use of 'Inclusive Mobility – A guide to best practice' which was published on 15th December 2005 by the Department for Transport.

### Background Documents:

None

signed .

8th Sept 2010

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