

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Mr Mike Hill, Cabinet Member for Customer and Communities

DECISION NO.

10/01531

If decision is likely to disclose exempt information please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

Subject:

Contract for the construction of the Edenbridge Community Centre.

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Customer and Communities I AGREE to:

- (i) award the contract to Orbit Homes Ltd (with Hill Partnership Ltd) for the construction of the Edenbridge Community Centre, and
- (ii) authorise the Managing Director for Communities (the Corporate Director for Customer and Communities from 4th April 2011) to enter into a contract on behalf of KCC subject to satisfactory terms and conditions being agreed.

Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken

None

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

Since the closure of Eden Valley Secondary School in 2002 it has been a long term ambition of KCC to make the site available as a base for local community groups, and this requirement for the facility was subsequently entered into the Capital Programme as part of the Medium Term Plan. Following extensive consultation a proposal to secure a single, linked, planning consent for a Community Centre and residential development was pursued. This was granted by Sevenoaks District Council in July 2009. Following a tender process which concluded in September 2010, bids were subjected to a rigorous and detailed assessment and the submission by Orbit Homes Ltd (with Hill Partnership Ltd) provided the best combination of quality and cost.

Report **exempt**: paragraph 3 of Part 1 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

Background Documents: None

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signed



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date

3rd FEBRUARY 2011

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Decision Referred to Cabinet Scrutiny				Cabinet Scrutiny Decision to Refer Back for Reconsideration				Reconsideration Record Sheet Issued				Reconsideration of Decision Published			
YES		NO		YES		NO		YES		NO					