

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Bryan Sweetland – Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste

DECISION NO.

11/01721

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:

Formation of a company with charitable status or Industrial & Provident Society as an option to manage the operation of the new Cyclopark facility in Gravesham.

Decision:

The Cabinet Member for Environment Highways & Waste agrees to:

- (i) authorise in accordance with the County Council's Protocol Relating to Companies in which KCC has an Interest the creation of an independent company with charitable status or an Industrial & Provident Society (IPS) in order to be prepared to operate the Cyclopark activity park as detailed in this report;
- (ii) delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Enterprise and Environment to create the company (and procure charitable status from the Charity Commission) or the IPS; and
- (iii) appoint the Deputy Cabinet Member for Environment Highways and Waste as the County Council's representative on the company's (or IPS's) board and at the company's (or IPS's) general meetings.

Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken

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

There is a need to procure and appoint an external operator for the future management of Cyclopark and this is currently underway. In the event that the market does not produce a suitable operator, KCC needs an alternative management option so that Cyclopark can be operated in compliance with funding conditions.

A further alternative option would be for KCC to operate the park itself - but that would not comply with the terms of the funding agreements with external funders, and KCC is not a leisure operator.

Background Documents:

- a) Business Plan; b) Marketing Plan; c) Overall design master plan; d) Pavilion design;
- e) Cyclopark marketing prospectus f) integrated whole sports plan and associated targets /objectives (key funding requirement); g) Green Travel Plan; i) Planning Permission approval letter and conditions

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signed

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date

4. Aug 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						
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