

**By: Peter Sass: Head of Democratic Services**  
**To: Scrutiny Committee – 23 May 2012**  
**Subject: Hawkinge Household Waste Recycling Centre Consultation**

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## **Background**

- (1) Following Cabinet's agreement to proposals set out in a report on 19 March 2012 Mr Sweetland took a decision on 3 April 2012 to agree changes to both the operating policy and the network infrastructure of the Household Waste Recycling Centre provided by Kent County Council, this included the closure of the Hawkinge household waste recycling centre.
- (2) In accordance with the terms of reference of the Scrutiny Committee, Ms Carey has exercised her right to place the issue of the consultation undertaken in relation to the decision to close the Hawkinge household waste recycling centre on the agenda of the Scrutiny Committee.
- (3) Any Member has a legal right to place an item on the Scrutiny Committee agenda. In this case, Mr Sweetland's decision is not being 'called in' and therefore its implementation cannot be delayed or overturned by it being placed on the Scrutiny Committee agenda. The Committee may decide, however, to make comments or recommendations to the Cabinet Member for his consideration and response.

## **Documents**

- (4) The Chairman has determined that the following reports be attached:
  - Decision report attached at Appendix A.
  - Cabinet Report attached at Appendix B.
  - Public Consultation Report attached at Appendix C.
  - Equalities Impact Assessments attached at Appendix D.

## **Guests**

- (5) Mr B Sweetland, Cabinet Member, Environment, Highways and Waste has been invited to attend the meeting for this item.

## **Options for the Scrutiny Committee**

(6) The Scrutiny Committee may:

(a) make no comments

(b) express comments but not require reconsideration of the decision

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