

# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

## DECISION TAKEN BY

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Cabinet Member – Environment, Highways & Waste

## DECISION NO.

12/01932

**Unrestricted** (delete as required) - If exempt please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972)

### Subject:

**Introduction of a Kent Lane Rental Scheme (KLRS)**

### Decision:

**To endorse the application to the Department for Transport to introduce the Kent Lane Rental Scheme with an aim to bring the scheme into effect within Summer 2013.**

**Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken - None**

### Reason(s) for decision, including response to any Cabinet Committee recommendations, and any alternatives considered

- Kent County Council has the opportunity to introduce new legislation that could have a significant positive impact to the residents and businesses within Kent.
- The Highways and Transportation Annual Plan for 2012/13 includes an
- action listed under item 2.1 to “Agree Lane Rental pilot scheme with DfT for Kent’s most critical roads (to commence in Summer 2013)”. This was also included in the recommendations from the recent Members Roadworks Working Group agreed at the 11 May 2012 Cabinet Committee meeting.
- The Kent Lane Rental Scheme has been designed with cooperation and support from affected Stakeholders, including those who will be carrying out the affected works.
- The revenue received from a lane rental scheme would be used to cover the full operating costs of the scheme.
- The Kent Lane Rental Scheme is a well-designed and well-targeted scheme, focusing on the most critical parts of the highway network. This is intended to encourage those undertaking works to carry out their works in a less disruptive manner.
- The Kent Lane Rental Scheme compliments the existing Kent Permit Scheme and will further decrease the impact of roadworks on the travelling public in Kent.
- KCC is now ready to submit an application to the Secretary of State for Transport to introduce the KLRS and bring it into effect at the earliest opportunity.

### Background Documents:

- The Street Works (Charges for Occupation of the Highway) (England) Regulations 2012
- Lane Rental Schemes: Guidance to English Local Highway Authorities (January 2012)

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