## KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

# **DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:**

Gary Cooke, Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services

**DECISION NO:** 

13/00078

### Unrestricted

#### Subject:

The refurbishment and conversion of Invicta House as part of the 'New Ways of Working' Mid Kent Strategy for Maidstone, in order to realise revenue savings from the exit of other sites.

#### Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services, I agree that KCC should enter into contract with a suitably qualified building contractor, procured in accordance with Council procedures, for the purpose of undertaking a design and build project at Invicta House for £4.437m.

The Executive Scheme of Delegation for Officers set out in Appendix 2 Part 4 of the Constitution (and the directorate schemes of sub-delegation made thereunder) provide the governance pathway for the implementation of this decision by officers. In this instance, the Director of Property, Infrastructure and Support (on behalf of the Corporate Director Business Strategy & Support) will take all such steps as are necessary to finalise terms and enter into any necessary agreements / contracts to facilitate the exit of existing buildings and for the works to be undertaken in Invicta House to increase its occupant capacity.

## Reason(s) for decision:

The intended project and its associated works are an integral part of 'Doing Things Differently' business transformation programme that responds directly to 'Facing the Challenge' and the delivery of savings identified in the Medium Term Financial Plan. The project will realise savings by facilitating exits from other sites as detailed within the report.

### Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The proposed decision was considered and endorsed by the Property Sub- Committee at its meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2013

# Any alternatives considered:

Continuing to occupy the current sites and not undertaking the work to facilitate change at Invicta would be less beneficial financially and would not help to meet the council's priorities as set out in the New Ways of Working Strategy

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

None .

date 6/1/2014