

Appendix A - KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Mike Hill, Cabinet Member – Community Services

DECISION NO:

15/00047

For publication or exempt – please state

Subject:

To seek a decision on the proposed model of delivery for Library, Registration and Archive services.

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Community Services, I agree to retain the service in-house until such time as the Registration Service can be externalised and form part of an integrated Libraries, Registration & Archives trust. At that time a new decision would be required

In parallel the in-house service will be internally commissioned against an agreed specification and deliver the required MTFP KCC will push for the necessary legislative change which will enable the full benefits of an integrated LRA service in an externalised model to be realised.

Reason(s) for decision:

Affects more than one electoral division.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The matter was discussed at GED Cabinet Committee in September 2014 and the proposal to move to public consultation was endorsed.

A further report summarising the outcome of the public consultation, the implications for finance, HR and property as well as the proposed next steps will be discussed at GED Cabinet Committee on 20th May 2015 and any comments will be added here after the meeting.

In addition a twelve week public consultation took place from 12th January until 8th April 2015.

Any alternatives considered:

The charitable trust was selected as the preferred model for securing the future of the LRA service. In researching potential options in-depth discussions took place with a number of different councils and various groups. Following this review a set of criteria were agreed against which to evaluate the options for the future delivery of the LRA service. This options appraisal process was set out in a document that was available during the consultation.

All the options that were considered as part of the review were included in the public consultation.

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

None

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signed

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date