

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY:

Matthew Balfour, Cabinet Member - Environment & Transport

DECISION NO:

12/01923 (a)

For publication

This is a Key decision which affects more than two Electoral Divisions

Subject: Draft Canterbury District Transportation Strategy

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport I:

1. Endorse the principles of the Canterbury District Transport Strategy, namely :
 - a) That the car will be the primary mode of travel for the foreseeable future
 - b) That significant investment in highway capacity will be funded largely by development. Where this is the case, Canterbury City Council and the developers must be legally bound to fund the necessary infrastructure at no cost to the public purse and before the development begins.
 - c) That to ensure that new additional capacity is not simply backfilled with additional traffic; the balanced approach of the draft strategy will absorb the increase in the demand to travel by increasing walking, cycling, public transport and home working.
2. Confirm that the County Council does not support reductions in City Centre car parking and welcomes assurances received from the City Council that these will not be pursued without evidence of public support and adequate supply remaining

Reason for decision: This is a practical, affordable strategy necessary to support Canterbury's growing economy.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

Canterbury JTB endorsed the strategy subject to considerations and conditions set out in the minutes and resolutions.

A full public consultation has been conducted.

The Environment & Transport Cabinet committee considered the proposed decision at its meeting on 9 April 2015 and resolved to endorse it by a majority of 12 to 2. A full copy of the minute is included with the accompanying papers.

Any alternatives considered: N/A

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

None



signed

6th July 2015

Date