

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Paul Carter, Leader of the Council

DECISION NO:

16/00120

For publication

Key decision*

Yes

Subject: Shadow Sub-National Transport Body for the South East

As Leader of the Council, in accordance with Article 10 (1) & (4) of the council's constitution, I agree to:

1. establish, and participate in, a shadow Sub National Transport Body (SNTB) for the South East, known as Transport for the South East (TfSE), at the cost, for the purposes, and with the membership, set out in the accompanying report; and
2. the proposal to establish, and participate in, a formal Sub-National Transport Body for the South East also known as TfSE and with the same purpose and membership.:

Reason(s) for decision:

The Cities and Local Government Devolution Act makes provision for the establishment and constitution of Sub-National Transport Bodies (SNTBs) for any area in England (outside of Greater London).

An SNTB can prepare a Transport Strategy for an area which would set out proposals for the promotion and encouragement of safe, sustainable, integrated, efficient, economic and strategic transport facilities and services to and from the area of the SNTB.

The proposed TfSE would enable authorities to influence national and regional infrastructure providers, helping to secure the infrastructure required to support continuing economic growth. A TfSE would see Government, South East Transport Authorities and/or Combined Authorities and LEPs working together with Highways England, Network Rail and port, airport and bus operators. TfSE would require strategic transport providers to take account of its priorities.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The South East Seven (SE7) Councils (Kent, East Sussex, West Sussex, Hampshire and Surrey county councils, and Brighton & Hove City and Medway unitary council) and the Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) that represent the area have discussed the establishment of an SNTB for the South East, to be called Transport for the South East (TfSE).

The proposal will be considered by Members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 November. If the decision is taken to establish a shadow SNTB, the cabinet committee will receive a further report outlining proposals for the full SNTB.

Any alternatives considered:

N/A

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

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signed

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date

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