

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Mr Mark Dance, Cabinet Member for Economic Development

DECISION NO:

17/00110

For publication

Key decision: YES

Growing Places Fund Bid Submission

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Economic Development, I propose to agree:

1. To note the GPF submission to SELEP proposed by the Kent & Medway Economic Partnership.
2. That KCC act as the accountable body for projects within Kent's geographical boundaries that are selected by the SELEP to receive GPF loan funding.
3. To delegate to the Section 151 the authority to sign on KCC's behalf a loan agreement or equivalent, where this is required to draw down funds following business case approval.

Governance:

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) provides the governance pathway for the implementation of this decision by officers as it assumes at 1.9 of the scheme that once a Member-level decision has been taken, the implementation of that decision will normally be delegated to officers, so that multiple Member decisions are not required in respect of the same matter.

In this instance, the Corporate Director of Growth Environment and Transport will be the lead officer seeking to ensure that all such steps as are necessary to implement the decision are undertaken.

Reason(s) for decision:

The decision is required to enable a loan agreement and other necessary contractual or quasi-legal documents to be entered into, so that funding may be secured from the fourth tranche of Growing Places Funding.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The matter will be considered by the Growth, Economic Development and Communities Cabinet Committee on 21 November 2017.

Any alternatives considered and rejected:

The proposed schemes have been considered by the Kent and Medway Economic Partnership in line with SELEP practice and alternative proposals were considered and rejected at that stage.

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

Name: Mark Dance

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