# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

#### **DECISION TAKEN BY**

### Mike Whiting

Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste

**DECISION NO:** 

17/00141

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Key decision\*

Yes

# Subject: Fees and Charges for highways activities 2018/2019

# **Decision:**

As Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste, I agree to amend fees and to amend fees and charges for 2018/2019 and to delegate authority to the Director of Highways. Transportation and Waste to amend such changes up to a maximum of the prevailing Retail Price Index (RPI), or the agreed increase in Council Tax, whichever is the greater.

## Reason(s) for decision:

The Highways & Transportation team within HT&W make charges for a range of services provided to a variety of utilities, consultants, businesses and to a lesser extent, members of the public. It is proposed to increase fees in line with recent council tax increases, unless fees are not covering reasonable costs where a further increase has been proposed.

As the economy continues to recover there is an increased demand to provide services and advice to businesses such as developers, utility companies, consultants and legal establishments. To retain fees and charges at current levels will result in services being subsidised to the detriment of core frontline operations.

#### Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The proposal was discussed and endorsed by members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 31 January

#### Any alternatives considered:

N/A

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

None

signed

Name: NIKE WHITING