

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Mike Whiting

Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste

DECISION NO:

19/00013

For publication

Key decision*

Yes

Subject: : Kent County Council adoption of High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Management Plan 2019-24

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste, I agree to formally adopt the reviewed and revised High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Management Plan 2019-24

Reason(s) for decision:

The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 requires local authorities within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) to act jointly to prepare and publish an up-to-date plan which *'formulates their policy for the management of the area and for the carrying out of their functions in relation to it'*. The High Weald AONB Unit has prepared such a plan on behalf of the borough and district councils of Tunbridge Wells, Sevenoaks, Ashford, Tonbridge and Malling, as well as Kent County Council, and councils across Surrey, West Sussex and East Sussex for the period 2019-24.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

KCC submitted Officer comments in response to the formal consultation in July 2018. Officers are satisfied that these have been adequately addressed and the proposed actions of the management plan do not place any new or unnecessary obligations on the County Council.

The proposal was discussed and endorsed by members of the Environment and Planning Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 19 March.

Any alternatives considered:

N/A – Statutory Document

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

None

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signed

Name: MIKE WHITING

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date

21/03/19