

**By:** Ben Watts, General Counsel  
**To:** Scrutiny Committee – 8 May 2019  
**Subject:** KCC Supported Bus Services in Sevenoaks

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## **Background**

- (1) On 28 January 2019 Mr Whiting took a decision to agree to the implementation of changes to selected bus services in Thanet and Sevenoaks effective from April 2019.
- (2) In accordance with the terms of reference of the Scrutiny Committee, Mr Lake has exercised his right to place the issue of KCC supported bus services in Sevenoaks on the agenda of the Scrutiny Committee.
- (3) Any Member has a legal right to place an item on the Scrutiny Committee agenda. In this case, Mr Whiting's decision is not being 'called in' and therefore its implementation cannot be delayed or overturned by it being placed on the Scrutiny Committee agenda. The Committee may decide, however, to make comments or recommendations to the Cabinet Member for his consideration and response.

## **Documents (available via link)**

- (4) Appendix 1: Record of Decision  
Appendix 2: Report: Thanet and Sevenoaks Bus Service changes – Report into Public Consultation and Recommended Action  
Appendix 3: Sevenoaks Bus Changes, Consultation report  
Appendix 4: Detailed EqIA  
Appendix 5: EqIA Thanet and Sevenoaks Bus Changes

## **Guests**

- (5) Mr M Whiting, Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste has been invited to attend the meeting for this item, along with Phil Lightowler, KCC Head of Public Transportation.

## **Options for the Scrutiny Committee**

- (6) The Scrutiny Committee may:
  - (a) make no comments
  - (b) express comments but not require reconsideration of the decision

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