

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY

Mike Hill

Cabinet Member for Community and Regulatory Services

DECISION NO:

19/00060

For publication

Key decision*

Yes – expenditure over £1m

Subject: Turner Contemporary

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Community and Regulatory Services, I agree to :

- Enter into and or vary legal agreements including, but not limited to, a Memorandum of Understanding and Collaboration Agreement with Turner Contemporary, RNLI, Margate Yacht Club, Arts Council England and any other stakeholders as required.
- Authorise the Director of Infrastructure to enter into all necessary legal agreements for the delivery and the construction and land related matters of the project.
- Proceed with the project subject to KCC's VAT partial liability exemption position not being breached or in breach.

Reason(s) for decision:

The Turner Contemporary (TC) has become one of the most visited destinations in Kent, and one of the most popular contemporary visual arts galleries in England. The gallery has been a catalyst for the social and economic regeneration of Margate through the hundreds of thousands of people who visit the gallery annually. To sustain TC for the future, Kent County Council (KCC) in partnership with TC has launched the Turner Contemporary Phase II project that will enhance and refurbish TC's existing facilities and contribute to the long-term sustainability of the gallery.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The proposal will be considered by Members of the Growth, Economic Development and Communities Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 28 November.

Any alternatives considered:

Not to invest in the refurbishment of the building would undermine future income generation opportunities and the long-term sustainability of the building

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

Name: