KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY:

Susan Carey, Cabinet Member for Environment

DECISION NO:

20/00012

For publication

Key decision*

Expenditure or savings of > £1m

Subject: Title of Decision:

Short term Waste Management bulk transfer station services – Folkestone & Hythe District Council

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment, I agree to commission and award a short-term contractual arrangement for a facility to receive, bulk and haul municipal waste to cover KCC's Statutory Requirement as the Waste Disposal Authority.

Reason(s) for decision:

Under the Environmental Protection Act 1990, as the Waste Disposal Authority, KCC has a legal obligation to provide a waste disposal service.

There are no waste transfer facilities or potential suppliers operating in the Folkestone & Hythe District. This means that KCC is legally obligated to recompense the collection authority for the additional costs associated with tipping waste outside of the district boundary. These tipping away payments, amount to £207k per annum.

Kerbside waste in the Folkestone & Hythe District is currently collected and disposed of through the East Kent Waste Partnership that comes to an end in December 2020. Under this contract waste is delivered to two sites: Ashford Transfer Station for the residual and food waste and Ross Way depot, Folkestone, for the mixed dry recyclables. Both facilities are unsustainable due to respective capacity and conditions issues, therefore a bid for capital finance has been submitted to develop such a facility for the medium to long term.

Until this facility is available, a short-term solution is required once the current contract ends in December 2020.

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 23 January.

Any alternatives considered:

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

None

signed

13 th February 2020

date