

## KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

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### SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held in the Council Chamber - Sessions House on Thursday, 4 October 2018.

PRESENT: Mr A Booth (Chairman), Mr A M Ridgers (Vice-Chairman), Mr M A C Balfour, Mrs R Binks, Mr R H Bird, Mrs T Dean, MBE, Mr D Farrell, Mr R C Love, Dr L Sullivan and Mr J Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Mr E E C Hotson

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr B Watts (General Counsel), Mrs R Spore (Director of Infrastructure), Ms K Ripley (Head of Property Strategy and Commissioning), Ms R Aaby (Head of Business Partnerships and Relationships) and Mr J Cook (Scrutiny Research Officer)

### UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

#### **31. Membership**

*(Item A2)*

RESOLVED that the updated membership be noted:

- Mr Lake, Ms Bell and Mr McInroy replaced by Mr Barrington-King, Mrs Beresford and Mrs Binks.

#### **32. Election of Chairman**

*(Item A3)*

1. The Vice-Chair invited nominations for the position of Chair. Mr Love nominated Mr Booth, seconded by Mr Wright. No other nominations were received.

RESOLVED that Mr Booth be elected Chair.

2. The Chair thanked the Members for supporting his election and expressed his thanks to former Committee members who had since left. He highlighted the positive work of Mr Lake as the previous Chairman, noting his contribution to the Scrutiny function and excellent cross-party engagement.

#### **33. Minutes of the meeting held on 6 July 2018**

*(Item A6)*

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 July 2018 were a correct record and that they be signed by the Chair.

### **34. Property Management Update (inc GEN2)**

*(Item C1)*

1. Mr Hotson (Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services), introduced the report provided to the Committee, outlining some of the key issues. Mrs Rebecca Spore (Director of Infrastructure) provided an explanation of the current situation, highlighting the positive work undertaken to date to address issues previously identified through internal audit processes.
2. The Committee asked questions regarding monies owed and tenant profiles as well as seeking assurances regarding appropriate systems being place.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member and Director be thanked for attending to provide information and answer questions; that the Committee require a further update on the item at a future meeting and that the update be noted.