

## KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

**DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY**

**Susan Carey**

**Cabinet Member for Environment**

**DECISION NO:**

19/00088

**For publication**

**Key decision\***

Yes – County Wide impact

**Subject Drainage and Planning Policy update 2019**

**Decision:**

As Cabinet Member for Environment, I agree to adopt the Drainage and Planning Policy.

**Reason(s) for decision:**

As a Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA), Kent County Council has been acting as a statutory consultee for surface water within the planning process since April 2015. KCC is required to provide technical advice and guidance on planning applications in relation to surface water drainage strategies, designs and maintenance arrangements put forward by developers via the Local Planning Authority for major developments. The Drainage and Planning Policy Statement sets out the drainage requirements that KCC will require when reviewing surface water management provisions, which will seek to deliver the requirements of the Non-Statutory Technical Standards and National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). With recent changes in the NPPF and publication of DEFRA's 25-Year Environment Plan, the Drainage and Planning Policy Statement has been revised to be consistent with them.

**Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:**

A public consultation on the revised Drainage and Planning Policy Statement started on 19<sup>th</sup> August and ran until 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019. All consultation documents were available online at [www.kent.gov.uk/drainageandplanningpolicy](http://www.kent.gov.uk/drainageandplanningpolicy) and alternative formats including hard copies were available upon request.

The revised Drainage and Planning Policy Statement will be presented to the Environment and Transportation Cabinet Committee on 29 November.

**Any alternatives considered:**

If the policy was not updated it would not reflect changes in planning policy or lessons learned from performing this function and will be inconsistent with NPPF and DEFRA's 25-Year Enforcement Plan

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

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date

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