# GROWTH, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITIES CABINET COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 21st June, 2017

10.00 am

Council Chamber, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone





#### **AGENDA**

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Tea/Coffee will be available 15 minutes before the start of the meeting

Membership (16)

Conservative (13): Mrs R Binks, Mr A Booth, Mr A H T Bowles, Mr D Butler, Mr A Cook,

Mr S Holden, Mr J A Kite, MBE, Mr G Lymer, Mr P J Messenger, Mr H Rayner, Mr A M Ridgers, Mr M Whiting (Chairman) and

Mr J Wright

Liberal Democrat (2): Mr I S Chittenden and Mr A J Hook

Labour (1) Mr D Farrell

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### **UNRESTRICTED ITEMS**

(During these items the meeting is likely to be open to the public)

- 1 Introduction/Webcast announcements
- 2 Apologies and Substitutes

To receive apologies for absence and notification of any substitutes present

3 Election of Vice-Chairman

To elect a Vice-Chairman of the Cabinet Committee

4 Declarations of Interest by Members in items on the Agenda

To receive any declarations of interest made by Members in relation to any matter on the agenda. Members are reminded to specify the agenda item

number to which it refers and the nature of the interest being declared.

- 5 Minutes of the meetings held on 22 March and 25 May 2017 (Pages 7 20)
  To consider and approve the Minutes as a correct record
- 6 Presentation by Canterbury Christ Church University on Kent businesses and Brexit transition

A presentation by Professor Mark Hammond and Dr Amelia Hadfield.

7 Ashford District Deal - Review and Refresh (Pages 21 - 50)

To receive a report of a review of the current District Deal with Ashford Borough Council and a proposed refresh of the Deal, and to comment on and either endorse or make a recommendation to the Leader of the County Council on the proposed decision to enter into the refreshed deal with Ashford Borough Council.

8 Update on Libraries Deliver: Ambition for Public Libraries in England 2016 - 2021 (Pages 51 - 56)

To receive a report summarising the key points from the national Libraries Taskforce strategy document 'Libraries Deliver' and setting out how the Library, Registration & Archive (LRA) service proposes to respond to it.

9 European Funding (Pages 57 - 72)

To receive a report setting out an update on Kent County Council and Kent projects reliant on EU funding and summarising the European funding schemes which remain open for further bids.

10 Update on Apprenticeships Reforms (Pages 73 - 78)

To receive a report setting out an overview of the Apprenticeship reforms.

11 Performance Dashboard (Pages 79 - 90)

To receive a report of the Growth, Economic Development and Communities Performance Dashboards, which show progress made against targets set for Key Performance Indicators.

Libraries, Registration and Archives performance against the service specification 2016-2017 (Pages 91 - 178)

To receive a report of the performance that Libraries, Registration and Archives (LRA) has made against its outcome-based specification for 2016-2017 and the proposed development of the internal commissioning approach for LRA for 2017-2018 and the priorities it has identified for 2017-2018.

13 Regional Growth Fund Programmes and Framework for Monitoring Report (Pages 179 - 192)

To receive a report setting out the progress of various programmes and an update on the allocation of funds to companies.

14 Work Programme 2017/18 (Pages 193 - 196)

To receive a report by the Head of Democratic Services which gives details of the proposed Work Programme for this Cabinet Committee.

## **EXEMPT ITEMS**

(At the time of preparing the agenda there were no exempt items. During any such items which may arise the meeting is likely NOT to be open to the public)

John Lynch, Head of Democratic Services 03000 410466

Tuesday, 13 June 2017

Please note that any background documents referred to in the accompanying papers maybe inspected by arrangement with the officer responsible for preparing the relevant report.