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This list of Forthcoming Executive Decisions publicises all known decisions which Kent County Council intends to take over the next six months. It gives information on the projects that will be coming forward and who will be involved with them. Key decisions are marked clearly as such within the list.

Please use the contact details given to let us know your views.

LIST OF FORTHCOMING EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

Each week the list of Forthcoming Executive Decisions is updated where there are additions, deletions or amendments to be made. Although Kent County Council aims to include all known decisions, statute requires that all Key decisions must be publicised in this way.

A "Key Decision" is an Executive-side Decision which is likely to:

- (a) result in the council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- (b) be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.

Key Decisions can only be taken by the Cabinet, the Leader or an individual Cabinet Member.

Decisions which should be regarded as Key Decisions because they are likely to have a significant effect either in financial terms or on the Council's services to the community include:

- (a) Decisions about expenditure or savings over £1,000,000
- (b) Adoption of major new policies not already included in the Policy Framework (Constitution Appendix 3) or changes to established policies
- (c) Approval of management and business plans
- (d) Decisions that involve significant service developments, significant service reductions, or significant changes in the way that services are delivered, whether County-wide or in a particular locality. For example, closure of a school, approval of a major project (such as a highway scheme) or programme of works, major changes in the eligibility criteria for provision of a service, major changes in the fees charged for a service, or proposals that would result in a service currently provided in-house being outsourced.
- (e) Decisions where the consequences are likely to result in compulsory redundancies or major changes in the terms and conditions of employment of a significant number of employees in any of the Council's functions.

Preparation of the list helps the Council to programme its work and ensures compliance with the 'Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) regulations 2012.

The list outlines the consultation that is proposed in respect of future decisions and who members of the public and the Council should contact to make comments on any particular item. Anyone is entitled to obtain copies of the documents that will be relied upon when a decision is taken, unless those documents are 'Exempt' within the meaning of the relevant sections of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

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1.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Issue reference: 12/01837

Key decision: Yes

Procurement of property vehicle for surplus land owned by Kent County Council to allow the provision of new operational facilities in each district as part of asset collaboration

To seek agreement to delegate to the Individual Cabinet portfolio holder and the Director of Property & Infrastructure Support the procurement of a specialist property vehicle to allow realise of surplus land to fund new operational facilities.

BS4K:

The decision is needed to progress the disposal of KCC assets with the delivery of new buildings. The proposal directly links to Bold Steps for Kent. The property vehicle will ensure it meets a number of key priorities in the Bold Steps for Kent, delivering framework including (1) Improve how we procure and commission services, (7) Build a strong relationship with key business sectors across Kent, (9) Support new housing growth that is affordable, sustainable and with the appropriate infrastructure and (15) Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent.

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision:

The risks will be set out in the paper intended to support Cabinet in taking this decision.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before June 2013

Reason if Key Decision: This proposal seeks to combine surplus assets where appropriate to market them for private sector developers to drive value from these assets but in turn through the OJEU process new operational facilities can be provided. A key decision is required as the new facilities will be from a number of frontline service directorates.

Consultation

The proposed decision will be considered by the relevant Cabinet Committee in June 2012

There has been previous mention of the disposal strategy proposals in Property & Infrastructure Support Business Plan in 2011 but since its publication there has been a need to link disposals to future service provision.

Local Member(s) affected: Roger Gough

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

Property & Diffrastructure Support Business Plan 2011

2.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Community Services

Issue reference: 13/00017

Key decision: No

Library Services in Sandgate.

To seek approval to delegate responsibility to Sandgate Parish Council for the day to day running of Library services from Sandgate Library, working with volunteers. KCC will retain the statutory responsibility for providing Library services.

BS4K

To put the citizen in control: the new model will create opportunities for local engagement and involvement in running library services through volunteering opportunities

Service objectives:

- create welcoming and attractive libraries which will be centres for local communities open at convenient times.
- promote the enjoyment of reading for people of all ages, opportunities for learning
- provide access to world-wide links to information and services,

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

- Savings will be delivered.
- Services to customers will remain the same
- The Parish Council do not recruit sufficient volunteers and the library does not open for the required number of hours.
- Training for Parish Council and volunteers is insufficient and the standard of service deteriorates

Decision details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

Consultation is underway.

Key consultee groups

Library customers, local people, organisations and groups

Start and finish dates of consultation.

30 January 2013 - 6 March 2013

Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation can be viewed at the Council's website: www.kent.gov.uk/libraries

Date of publication of consultation outcomes and updated Equalities Impact Assessment

7 March 2013

All members of the council will be informed of the intention to make this decision

The Communities Cabinet Committee considered the issue on 19 September 2012 and the

proposed decision will be further discussed on 14 March 2013

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes

The views of Mr Prater (Local Member) will be sought before the Cabinet Committee considers the proposed decision.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

3.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Community Services

Issue reference: 13/00018

Key decision: No

Library Services in Sherwood

To seek approval to delegate responsibility to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for the day to day running of Library services from Sherwood Library, working with volunteers. KCC to retain the statutory responsibility for providing Library services.

BS4K:

To put the citizen in control: the new model will create opportunities for local engagement and involvement in running library services through volunteering opportunities Service objectives:

- create welcoming and attractive libraries which will be centres for local communities open at convenient times.
- promote the enjoyment of reading for people of all ages, opportunities for learning
- provide access to world-wide links to information and services,

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

- Savings will be delivered.
- Services to customers will remain the same
- The Borough Council do not recruit sufficient volunteers and the library does not open for the required number of hours.
- Training for the Borough Council and volunteers is insufficient and the standard of service deteriorates

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

Consultation is underway

Key consultee groups

Library customers, local people, organisations and groups

Start and finish dates of consultation.

30 January 2013 - 6 March 2013

Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation www.kent.gov.uk/libraries

Consultation outcomes and updated Equalities Impact Assessment to be published 7 March 2013

All members of the council will be informed of the intention to make this decision

The Communities Cabinet Committee considered the issue on 19 September 2012 and the proposed decision will be further discussed on 14 March 2013

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes

Mr Tansley's (Local Member) views will be sought before the Cabinet Committee considers the proposed decision.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

4.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Community Services

Issue reference: 13/00041

Key decision: No

Herne Bay Gateway - temporary relocation of library services

To seek authority to relocate library services from Herne Bay Library to temporary premises during the refurbishment of the building to become a Gateway.

BS4K:

- Putting the citizen in control
- Customer Services Business Plans 2012/13 and 2013/14
- Customer Services Strategy
- Vision for Kent
- New Ways of Working

Financial Implications:

- During the closure period costs for the provision of temporary facilities will be kept to a minimum and any revenue costs should be offset by a reduction in user costs for the individual facilities.
- Relocating library services for Herne Bay will provide the contractor with an unfettered site which will reduce the time of the build and therefore lower capital costs.
- The temporary facilities will be stocked from existing library resources and there are no implications for the current staffing establishment

Legal Implications:

Kent County Council provides library and archive services under the Public Libraries and

Museums Act 1964 which requires the provision of a 'comprehensive and efficient' library service.

Equality Implications:

An EQIA has been carried out and is available.

Is the matter referred to in the relevant Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme?

Yes.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

The proposed decision will be considered by Communities Cabinet Committee at the meeting to be held on 11 June 2013.

Further consultation is planned.

Local members affected will be consulted:

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Supporting documents

None specified

5.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Community Services

Issue reference: 12/01939/2

Key decision: Yes

Social Fund Localisation: Kent Support & Assistance Service (Year two)

To extend the pilot scheme agreed by Member Decision 12/01939 by 12 months to 31.3.2015.

Original decision text:

As Cabinet Member for Customer & Communities, I agree that a one-year Kent-wide pilot scheme be established to test out how KCC should employ the devolved funding from Government previously used to deliver Community Care Grants and Crisis Loans. The pilot scheme will test the demands on a local discretionary social fund and the various mechanisms needed to deliver it in order that a full Kent scheme can be developed to meet the needs of the area.

Decision Details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services

Date: Not before September 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Consultation

The proposed decision will be discussed by the Communities Cabinet Committee on 18.9.2013.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

6.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Issue reference No: 13/00035

Key decision: Yes

Southfleet Road, Ebbsfleet: Growing Places Fund investment

A decision is required such that, subject to due diligence, Kent County Council shall agree to enter into credit agreements to secure investment from the Growing Places Fund to deliver improvements to Southfleet Road. This will help to unlock development at Eastern Quarry and provide access to the commercial development area at Station Quarter North.

Background

Growing Places Fund (GPF) is a Government scheme which provides loan finance to unlock development sites where these will create new jobs and homes. In the South East, the Fund is administered by the South East Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), for which Essex County Council acts as the accountable body.

Following a call for projects and appraisal, the LEP has given indicative approval to allocate up to £4 million to bring forward improvements to Southfleet Road.

In order to secure this funding, it is proposed that KCC will enter into:

- a) A credit agreement with Essex County Council to draw down the GPF funding; and
- b) A subsidiary credit agreement with Land Securities Eastern Quarry Ltd, who will deliver the scheme.

This shall be subject to final due diligence.

BS4K:

This Decision contributes to delivery of the following Delivering Bold Steps priorities:

- Priority 8: Respond to key regeneration challenges, working with our partners. This
 specifically prioritises actions to unlock key sites, where these will lead to jobs and
 housing
- Priority 9: Support new housing growth that is affordable, sustainable and with the appropriate infrastructure

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

Impact

The proposed Decision will mean that KCC will be able to draw down Growing Places Fund investment of up to £4 million. It is anticipated that this will unlock 1,500 homes at Eastern Quarry by 2020, and will also support the development of the Station Quarter North strategic employment site.

Risks

GPF funding is repayable. The primary risk is that KCC will be liable to repay the GPF loan to the Accountable Body, even if the private sector organisation is unable to repay the subordinate loan to KCC. This will be mitigated through due diligence, the robust drafting of the credit agreements, and project monitoring.

State Aid risks will be mitigated through the charging of an appropriate rate of interest, with all repayments (less costs to KCC) repaid to the GPF fund.

Costs

There will be some costs to KCC in managing the credit agreement. These will be recovered through interest payments and/ or through recharges to the central GPF fund, with costs and recovery mechanisms considered in development of the credit agreement.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Date: Not before June 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Specified financial criteria exceeded

Consultation

KCC has taken the advice of the members of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership Board, who have been involved to Level 3 (Make Choices).

Other key consultee groups

South East Local Enterprise Board members (including business representatives and local authority leaders).

In addition, Dartford Borough Council has been consulted as part of the project appraisal process.

Start and finish dates of consultation

Summer 2012 - March 2013

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

7.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Issue reference: 13/00036

Key decision: No

Sturry Road, Canterbury. Growing Places Fund investment

A decision is required such that, subject to due diligence, Kent County Council shall agree to enter into credit agreements to secure investment from the Growing Places Fund to deliver

commercial development at Sturry Road, Canterbury

Background

Growing Places Fund (GPF) is a Government scheme which provides loan finance to unlock development sites where these will create new jobs and homes. In the South East, the Fund is administered by the South East Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), for which Essex County Council acts as the accountable body.

Following a call for projects and appraisal, the LEP has given indicative approval to allocate up to £629,000 to bring forward a commercial site at Sturry Road, Canterbury.

In order to secure this funding, it is proposed that KCC will enter into:

- c) A credit agreement with Essex County Council to draw down the GPF funding; and
- d) A subsidiary credit agreement with the private sector owners of the development. This shall be subject to final due diligence.

BS4K:

This Decision contributes to delivery of the following Delivering Bold Steps priorities:

Priority 8: Respond to key regeneration challenges, working with our partners. This
specifically prioritises actions to unlock key sites, where these will lead to jobs and
housing

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

Impact

The proposed Decision will mean that KCC will be able to draw down Growing Places Fund investment of up to £629,000. It is anticipated that this will unlock 4,000 sq m commercial floorspace and facilitate the creation of 40 jobs (gross) by 2015.

Risks

GPF funding is repayable. The primary risk is that KCC will be liable to repay the GPF loan to the Accountable Body, even if the private sector organisation is unable to repay the subordinate loan to KCC. This will be mitigated through due diligence, the robust drafting of the credit agreements, and project monitoring.

State Aid risks will be mitigated through the charging of an appropriate rate of interest, with all repayments (less costs to KCC) repaid to the GPF fund.

Costs

There will be some costs to KCC in managing the credit agreement. These will be recovered through interest payments and/ or through recharges to the central GPF fund, with costs and recovery mechanisms considered in development of the credit agreement.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

KCC has taken the advice of the members of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership Board, who have been involved to Level 3 (Make Choices).

Other key consultee groups

South East Local Enterprise Board members (including business representatives and local authority leaders). In addition, Canterbury City Council has been consulted as part of the project appraisal process.

Start and finish dates of consultation.

Summer 2012 - March 2013

Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation. Please state where this can be found.

No – an Equalities Impact Assessment has not yet been prepared. It is anticipated that there will be few equalities impacts arising from this Decision. However, there may be combined impacts

arising from the series of proposed Decisions to enter into credit agreements for GPF for a number of projects. It is therefore proposed that a single Equalities Impact Assessment will be undertaken for all related Decisions prior to the proposed Decision for this project being taken. **Date of publication of consultation outcomes and updated Equalities Impact Assessment** There is no separate consultation outcomes report. However, the discussion at the East LEP Board has been published at www.southeastlep.com.

KCC's approach to Growing Places Fund has been discussed by the Economic Development Cabinet Committee on 5 July 2012 and 21 September 2012.

In addition, the proposed Decision will be discussed by ED Cabinet Committee on 14 June.

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes – Referred to in Economic Development Unit Divisional Business Plan 2013/14

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? Is it All Members?

The development is located in on the boundary of Canterbury City North East (Graham Gibbens) and Herne and Sturry (Alan Marsh).

There may also be some impact elsewhere in Canterbury (Canterbury West (John Simmonds), Canterbury City South East (Michael Northey), Canterbury City South West (Martin Vye)).

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified.

8.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Issue reference: 13/00032

Key decision: Yes

The Base, Phase 2, Dartford. Growing Places Fund investment

Background

Growing Places Fund (GPF) is a Government scheme which provides loan finance to unlock development sites where these will create new jobs and homes. In the South East, the Fund is administered by the South East Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), for which Essex County Council acts as the accountable body.

Following a call for projects and appraisal, the LEP has given indicative approval to allocate up to £2.95 million to deliver Phase 2 of The Base.

In order to secure this funding, it is proposed that KCC will enter into a credit agreement with Essex County Council to draw down the GPF funding.

In addition, KCC will enter into an agreement with the Homes and Communities Agency, which owns the freehold of the site, to enable the development to proceed.

This shall be subject to final due diligence.

BS4K:

This Decision contributes to delivery of the following Delivering Bold Steps priorities:

• Priority 8: Respond to key regeneration challenges, working with our partners. This specifically prioritises actions to unlock key sites, where these will lead to jobs and housing

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

Impact

The proposed Decision will mean that KCC will be able to draw down Growing Places Fund investment of up to £2.95 million. It is anticipated that this will deliver 108 jobs (gross). Risks

GPF funding is repayable. The primary risk is that KCC will be liable to repay the GPF loan to the Accountable Body, even if rental incomes from the completed scheme or the capital receipt from the scheme on its eventual sale are less than anticipated. This will be mitigated through due diligence, the robust drafting of the credit agreements, and project monitoring. Costs

There will be some costs to KCC in managing the credit agreement. These will be recovered through interest payments and/ or through recharges to the central GPF fund, with costs and recovery mechanisms considered in development of the credit agreement.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Date: Not before July 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Consultation

KCC has taken the advice of the members of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership Board, who have been involved to Level 3 (Make Choices).

Other key consultee groups

South East Local Enterprise Board members (including business representatives and local authority leaders).

In addition, Dartford Borough Council has been consulted as part of the project appraisal process.

Start and finish dates of consultation.

Summer 2012 - March 2013

Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation. Please state where this can be found.

An Equalities Impact Assessment has not yet been prepared. It is anticipated that there will be few equalities impacts arising from this Decision. However, there may be combined impacts arising from the series of proposed Decisions to enter into credit agreements for GPF for a number of projects. It is therefore proposed that a single Equalities Impact Assessment will be undertaken for all related Decisions prior to the proposed Decision for this project being taken.

Date of publication of consultation outcomes and updated Equalities Impact AssessmentThere is no separate consultation outcomes report. However, the discussion at the South East LEP Board has been published at www.southeastlep.com.

Has the matter already been discussed by a Cabinet Committee? If not when will be it discussed by the Cabinet Committee and the date of the meeting

Yes. KCC's approach to Growing Places Fund has been discussed by the Economic Development Cabinet Committee on 5 July 2012 and 21 September 2012.

In addition, the proposed Decision will be discussed by ED Cabinet Committee on 14 June.

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes – Growing Places Fund investment is referred to in Economic Development Unit Divisional Business Plan 2013/14

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? Is it All Members?

The development is located in Dartford West (Jan Ozog).

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

9.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Issue reference: 13/00034

Key decision: Yes

Discovery Park Enterprise Zone, Sandwich. Growing Places Fund investment

Background

Growing Places Fund (GPF) is a Government scheme which provides loan finance to unlock development sites where these will create new jobs and homes. In the South East, the Fund is administered by the South East Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), for which Essex County Council acts as the accountable body.

Following a call for projects and appraisal, the LEP has given indicative approval to allocate up to £8 million over five years for a rolling programme of capital investment.

In order to secure this funding, it is proposed that:

- a) KCC will enter into a credit agreement with Essex County Council to draw down the GPF funding; and
- b) KCC will seek to enter into a series of annual subordinate credit agreement with Discovery Park Ltd (the owners of Discovery Park).

In addition, KCC will enter into an agreement with the Homes and Communities Agency, which owns the freehold of the site, to enable the development to proceed.

This shall be subject to final due diligence.

BS4K:

This Decision contributes to delivery of the following Delivering Bold Steps priorities:

• Priority 8: Respond to key regeneration challenges, working with our partners. This specifically prioritises actions to unlock key sites, where these will lead to jobs and housing

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

Impact

The proposed Decision will mean that KCC will be able to draw down Growing Places Fund investment of up to £8 million. It is anticipated that this will contribute to the safeguarding of up to 2,000 jobs at Discovery Park by supporting the Enterprise Zone's continued viability and attractiveness to investors.

Risks

GPF funding is repayable. The primary risk is that KCC will be liable to repay the GPF loan to the Accountable Body, even if Discovery Park Ltd is unable to repay. This will be mitigated through due diligence, the robust drafting of the credit agreements, and project monitoring.

Costs

There will be some costs to KCC in managing the credit agreement. These will be recovered

through interest payments and/ or through recharges to the central GPF fund, with costs and recovery mechanisms considered in development of the credit agreement.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Date: Not before July 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Consultation

KCC has taken the advice of the members of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership Board, who have been involved to Level 3 (Make Choices).

Other key consultee groups

South East Local Enterprise Board members (including business representatives and local authority leaders).

In addition, Dover District Council has been consulted as part of the project appraisal process.

Start and finish dates of consultation.

Summer 2012 - March 2013

Equalities Impact Assessment included in the consultation documentation. Please state where this can be found.

No – an Equalities Impact Assessment has not yet been prepared. It is anticipated that there will be few equalities impacts arising from this Decision. However, there may be combined impacts arising from the series of proposed Decisions to enter into credit agreements for GPF for a number of projects. It is therefore proposed that a single Equalities Impact Assessment will be undertaken for all related Decisions prior to the proposed Decision for this project being taken.

Date of publication of consultation outcomes and updated Equalities Impact AssessmentThere is no separate consultation outcomes report. However, the discussion at the South East LEP Board has been published at www.southeastlep.com.

Has the matter already been discussed by a Cabinet Committee? If not when will be it discussed by the Cabinet Committee and the date of the meeting

Yes. KCC's approach to Growing Places Fund has been discussed by the Economic Development Cabinet Committee on 5 July 2012 and 21 September 2012 (although these discussions did not include the specific allocation of GPF investment to Discovery Park). In addition, the proposed Decision will be discussed by ED Cabinet Committee on 14 June.

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes – Growing Places Fund investment is referred to in Economic Development Unit Divisional Business Plan 2013/14

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? Is it All Members?

The development is located in Sandwich (Leyland Ridings). However, as the development of the Enterprise Zone is of strategic importance, all Members in East Kent may be affected by the Decision.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents:

None specified

10.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Issue reference: 12/02018

Key decision: No

Expansion of Pembury Primary School, Tunbridge Wells

To seek approval of the expansion of the above named school from 420 places to 630 places and to the issuing of a public notice to that effect.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before March 2013

Consultation

Consultation will target:

MP, Local Members, Local Councils (District, Town and Parish), Schools, Pre-schools, Parents, Staff, Governors, Pupils, Professional Associations, Diocesan Boards of Education, DfE, LCTB

A consultation has been established and will run from 26 November 2012 – 21 January 2013.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents:

None specified

11.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Issue reference: 12/02023

Key decision: No

Expansion of St Matthews High Broom CofE Primary School, Tunbridge Wells

To seek approval of the expansion of the above named school by one form entry and to the issuing of a public notice to that effect.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

Consultation will target the following:

MP, Local Members, Local Councils (District, Town and Parish), Schools, Pre-schools, Parents, Staff, Governors, Pupils, Professional Associations, Diocesan Boards of Education, DfE, LCTB

The consultation will take place between 10 December 2012 and 4 February 2013.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Issue reference: 13/00003

Key decision: No

Expansion of Cliftonville Primary School, Margate

To expand the above named school

Financial Implications:

These will be identified in the report to Education Cabinet Committee on 19 March 2013 Legal Implications:

These will be identified in the report to Education Cabinet Committee on 19 March 2013 **Equality Impact**

An initial assessment has been carried out and can be found at the following link when the consultation opens

http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/system/listConsultations?type=O

Date of initial screening

January 2013

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

Consultation to be conducted the purpose of which is to gather information regarding the planned changes outlined in the consultation document.

Key consultee groups:

MP, Local Members, Local Councils (District, Town and Parish), Schools, Pre-schools, Parents, Staff, Governors, Pupils, Professional Associations, Diocesan Boards of Education, DfE, LCTB. **Start and finish dates of consultation:**

TBC.

A report was considered at Education Cabinet Committee on 12 September 2012 outlining the Kent County Council School Commissioning Plan 2012-17.

A report will be considered by the Education Cabinet Committee in March 2013.

A report will be considered on the outcome of the public consultation at Education Cabinet Committee in June 2013

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

Commissioning Plan for Education Provision Kent 2012 – 2017

13.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Issue reference: 13/0009

Kev decision: No

Proposed expansion of Rodmersham Primary School

To expand the above named school

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

Consultation to be conducted the purpose of which is to gather information regarding the planned changes outlined in the consultation document.

Key consultee groups:

MP, Local Members, Local Councils (District, Town and Parish), Schools, Pre-schools, Parents, Staff, Governors, Pupils, Professional Associations, Diocesan Boards of Education, DfE, LCTB. **Start and finish dates of consultation:**

TBC.

It is envisaged that the proposed decision will be considered by the relevant cabinet Committee before being taken.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

Commissioning Plan for Education Provision Kent 2012 – 2017

14. APPROVED - SUBJECT TO CALL-IN

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

Reference No: 13/00051

Key decision: No

Local Children's Services Arrangements

To approve the Children and Young People's Joint Commission Board's Local Children Services Arrangement.

BS4K:

The Children and Young People's Joint Commissioning Board's local children services arrangements are in line with the Corporate objectives. Namely to:

- Improving outcomes for children and young people
- greater co-operation and co-ordination through integrated and joined-up services
- better use of resources.

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

The proposed local children services arrangement will provide the basis for more effective joint commissioning with through local Health and Wellbeing Boards. KCC continues to response its duty to co-operate placed on the local authorities by the Children Act 2004 and Working Together guidance (2013).

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

Key partner agencies represented on the Kent Children and Young People's Joint Commissioning Board and Local Children's Trust Board.

The proposed decision will be discussed on the agenda for the Cabinet Committee meeting on 12 June 2013.

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme?

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? Is it All Members?

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To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

C3 - App 1 - LCTB proposed decision

15.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Reference No: 13/00038

Key: No

Joint Transportation Boards - Agreement and Governance

JTB's are an important local mechanism for discussing highway/transport matters. In this context, JTBs meet Kent County Council's Localism Agenda.

This decision seeks approval of an updated Joint Transportation Board (JTB) Agreement with District Councils. The existing agreement is out of date and needs to be revised to reflect changes to the County Council's constitution.

In particular, a new clause has been added to the Agreement; "subject to the agreement of the Chairman, additional representatives from Parish/Town Councils may attend but may neither vote nor propose a motion nor an amendment".

This reflects the current variation in practice within JTBs and the desire to have one flexible Agreement covering all JTBs rather than individual bespoke arrangements.

There are no impacts, costs or risks relating to the proposed decision

Decision details

Who is taking the Decision

Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date:

Not before June 2013

Consultation

All JTBs will be consulted on the proposals before the decision will be put to the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment for consideration on taking the decision

The consultation will take place February/March 2013 JTB meetings

An Equalities Impact Assessment will not be conducted

All County Members will be informed

The matter has been considered and the recommendations endorsed by the Environment, Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee at it's meeting of 10 January 2013.

The matter is not referred to in the Business Plan or Medium Term Capital programme

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

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16.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Issue reference: 12/01956

Key decision: Yes

Kings Hill Area 62, Village 2

Kings Hill is one of KCC's flagship mixed developments. It provides high quality and in some cases exemplar form of development, which importantly contributes towards bettering design standards.

KCC and its Kings Hill development partners, Liberty have committed to a long term calibrated and progressive development land disposal programme.

The Kings Hill development is a proven and essential regular income through annual distributions, generated by the effective disposal of residential development land. It is proposed that KCC should agree the future disposal of the subject land parcel for best consideration, through a competitive bid basis. This will be facilitated by KCC's development partners, Liberty Property Trust UK.

The proposal will unlock the regeneration of a KCC asset within the Kings Hill development partnership, provide new housing stock, as part of Bold Steps for Housing and provide significant income for KCC.

BS4K:

The decision directly links to the Council's Medium Term Plan (Bold Steps for Kent) in that it aligns with:

Priority 8 - Responding to key regeneration challenges working with our partners by unlocking a key site within a growth point and which contributes to providing new homes and commercial opportunities at Kings Hill. Priority 9 - Support new housing growth that is affordable, sustainable and with the appropriate infrastructure; and Priority 10 – Deliver growth without gridlock.

The proposed decision relates to the long term agreed Master Plan and Strategy for Kings Hill and as part of the Council's Policy Framework.

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision:

The proposed land sale will form an important part of the remaining unfinished areas of allocated housing development within Village 2. The land disposal will take place based on the Partnership's preferred design and conditional upon detailed planning permission and will ensure a comprehensive and effective design solution with adjacent development of area 64, to help complete and improve the overall Kings Hill Village 2 development. The sale process will be devised to minimise many of the risks of abortive transactions (because of improved demand) and increases certainty for the Partnership/KCC and thereby optimises land values and income.

All risks will be fully considered through a diligent evaluation process when consideration is made of the preferred developer/bidder and brought for a decision.

The only direct costs for KCC are those charged by Legal Services in executing the transactions.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before June 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded. The land transaction is likely to

exceed £1 million.

Consultation

Inform Members of the long agreed and established strategy of the continued development of Kings Hill as a mixed use flagship development.

To be considered by the Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee September 2012 The Kings Hill development and disposal strategy is referred to as a Key Priority in the Annual Plan. However, by necessity there are no specific references to particular sites and the site within this decision.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

17

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Issue reference: 12/01902

Key decision: Yes

Dover Christchurch Academy, Melbourne Avenue, Dover, Kent

To seek approval to submit the Feasibility Study to DfS

BS4K

This decision is needed in to progress KCC's Batch 2 Academies Programme. It directly supports 3 of the Bold Steps for Kent. Firstly, it perpetuates the target that all pupils meet their full potential. Secondly, it promotes Kent's cultural and sporting offer through the first class facilities which will be delivered. Thirdly, it builds relations with key business sectors across Kent, as the supply chain involved in such a project provides work to businesses of all sizes

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

The impact of the decision is that the project will be able to submit the Final Business Case, and enter into the necessary contracts with the Academy and the Building. The budget for the project is £16.7million. The risks will be set out in the paper intended to support Cabinet in taking this decision.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before September 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Significant service developments, reduction, changes in delivery

Consultation

There are no additional requirements to consult. Cabinet should note that as part of the detailed planning application, two public exhibitions were held in order that members of the public could view, and comment upon, the proposals.

The proposed decision will be considered by the Property Sub-Committee on 13th November 2013

The matter is referred to in the Medium Term Plan.

The matter is also referred to in the capital section of the Property & Infrastructure Support 2012/13 Business Plan as a Batch 2 Academy that will achieve contract completion and start of works.

Local Member affected Bryan Cope, relevant division member.

To make representations or request further information

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Support documents

P&IS Business Plan

18.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Issue reference: 13/00078

Key decision: Yes

Invicta House Remodelling

To seek agreement for the restack and refurbishment of Invicta House as part of the New Ways of Working roll-out programme, part of the 'Doing Things Differently' business transformation agenda.

The works respond directly to and are a key part of the 'Doing Things Differently' business transformation agenda, currently being undertaken by KCC in response to 'Facing the Challenge', a proposed restructuring of how the Council undertakes its business in order to reduce the cost of local government and council expenditure generally.

Additionally the overall programme of works contributes to 'Building stronger relationships with key business sectors across Kent' as Kent based businesses are being engaged to undertake the refurbishment works on KCC's behalf; it responds to 'key regeneration challenges and working with our partners', specifically where it releases previously leased property back into the business community, allowing new businesses to take up the opportunity to expand and develop in Kent or where deals can be done with partners / developers that enable former KCC land to be redeveloped to provide community facilities, such as Schools or similar. As retained buildings are restacked to provide refreshed workplaces for increased densities of KCC staff, the greater utilisation of fewer buildings resulting in a decrease in energy costs, business rates and maintenance costs, responds directly to the 'Kent Environment Strategy'.

Financial Implications: A budget has been included and approved in the Medium Term Plan. If this project does not progress, the Council will be unable to exit its leasehold properties. **Legal Implications**: The building is wholly owned by KCC but planning approval might be necessary dependent upon the level of external change required to address accessibility and any additional or new building services plant, required to cope with the increased population of the building. Works will also be subject to building control.

Equality Implications: An 'Equality, Inclusion and Access' (EqIA) assessment has been undertaken for the programme and will be updated as appropriate.

'Facing the Challenge' and 'Doing Things Differently' are both documented approaches that KCC are embracing as part of its initiative to reduce the cost of the Council to the people of Kent and are included in the Council's Medium Term Plan

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before November 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Consultation

The original 'New Work Spaces' decision to adopt the overarching strategy was considered and endorsed by P&R Cabinet Committee at its meeting in November 2012 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=750&MID=4859 and was taken by the Cabinet member for Business Strategy, Performance and Health Reform in February 2013, decision number 12/1970 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s38363/Signed%20RoD.pdf

This proposed decision to enter into contract for specific works under that programme will be considered by the Property Sub Group of the Policy and resources cabinet Committee to be held on 13th November 2013.

Alan Chittenden is the Local Member for the division in which Invicta House is located.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

Decision number 12/1970 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s38363/Signed%20RoD.pdf

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19.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Issue reference: 12/02033

Key decision: Yes

Sandwich Highways Depot

To seek approval to proceed with the disposal of the above site to raise a capital receipt which will be allocated to support the capital programme. To seek approval to identify and progress with the acquisition of a new site for the service. The Director of Property and Infrastructure Support is authorised to finalise terms for both the disposal and acquisition of a new site.

BS4K:

This decision is needed to enable a modern highway service operation to be provided in the East Kent Area that is both reactive and responsive to changing demands. It directly supports 3 of the Bold Steps for Kent.

- Firstly it helps deliver the "Kent Environment Strategy" by the provision of new environmentally friendly facilities (e.g. grey water) via the construction technique with the eventual adaptation of new work practices within the new depot.
- Secondly it builds relations with key business sectors across Kent as the supply chain involved in such a project provides work to businesses of all sizes.
- Thirdly by the better siting and provision of facilities for the new depot it ensures that the most robust and effective public protection arrangements are in place for road management including bad weather response.

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision;

The impact of the decision is that full assessment of the potential disposal of the site can be explored within the market place to ensure that best value principles are adhered to. In tandem a full search and feasibility study will be undertaken to identify a new location for the alternative highways depot which satisfies the above objectives.

Decision details:

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation:

None specified

To make representations or request further information

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Director of Property and Infrastructure

Supporting documents

None specified

20.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Leader and Cabinet Member for Business Strategy, Audit & Transformation

Issue reference No: 13/00062 - deleted and replaced by 13/00088

Key Yes

Member Grant Scheme – Review

To consider the results of a review of the Member Grants Schemes and agree any improvements/changes.

The schemes allow Members to fund projects that have been directly promoted by local communities which would not normally be funded by KCC. This is a fundamental part of putting the citizen control in accordance Bold Steps for Kent.

Member satisfaction with the MHF process was reported to have fallen in the last H&T tracker survey, with some Members feeling that the process was too slow and bureaucratic. In addition, staff had spent a disproportionate amount of time designing and promoting schemes which were not then taken forward to construction. This review seeks to directly address these issues by suggesting ways in which bureaucracy can be reduced and scheme delivery speeded up.

Financial Implications: No impact on existing budgets

Legal Implications: None

Equality Implications: None

Decision Details

Decision maker: Leader and Cabinet Member for Business Strategy, Audit &

Transformation

Date: Not before December 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Consultation

The outcomes of the review and proposed changes to the scheme will be considered by the Environment Highways and Waste cabinet Committee on 3 October 2013 and the Communities Cabinet Committee in December 2013

Internal consultation has been, and will continue to be, undertaken while the final proposals are being developed.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None

21.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Issue reference No: 13/00079

Key: Yes

Procurement of an organisation to deliver inward investment services for Kent

To seek approval of the award contract for delivery of inward investment described below to the winning bidder of a tendering exercise.

The tender proposal can be viewed on the council's procurement portal but includes the following delivery targets:

- Securing investment into the county of Kent that will create jobs
- •Monitoring investment activity and tracking investment plans of companies in target sectors in order to build and convert a pipeline of prospective investment projects that in turn helps create and maintain jobs in the County of Kent
- •Promoting the county to target markets and high value sectors
- •Competing with other locations being considered by the investor and developing compelling reasons why the company should invest in Kent
- •Maintaining close contact with Kent's investors through its aftercare programme
- •Attracting potential investors and providing key information to help decision making.

- •Developing a wide range of key private sector contacts in its networks locally, nationally and internationally
- •Working closely with key partners in the county and internationally in collaboration with UK Trade and Investment

Financial Implications:

£625,000 per annum, for 3 years, with option to extend for further 3 years

Legal Implications:

None

Equality Implications:

Equality requirements were included as part of the tender specifications

The matter is referred to in the Divisional Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme

Decision Details:

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Date: December 2013

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Consultation:

The coming to an end of the previous SLA with Locate in Kent (which ran from April 2010 – March 2013) was discussed at Economic Development Cabinet Committee in November 2012, and the option to extend that SLA for a year, while more permanent arrangements were made was discussed at Economic Development Cabinet Committee on 6th March 2013

A report is scheduled for Economic Development Cabinet Committee on 3rd December 2013 outlining; the current SLA arrangements, and the procurement process followed to identify a supplier to deliver the services from April 1st 2014, this will include the specification of the service that we tendered for.

Following that discussion, the Cabinet Member will take the decision to award the contract once the tendering process is complete, and contract negotiations have been completed with the successful bidder. This will not be before 16th December 2013

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

22.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste

Issue reference: 13/00025

Key decision: No

Bold Steps for Aviation

To approve the council's approach to issues of aviation

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

The Environment, Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee will consider the Policy before it is considered for adoption by the Cabinet Member.

To make representations or request further information

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Support documents

None specified

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23.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health Issue reference:

Key No

Kent County Council's Annual Report (Local Account) on Adult Social Care for April 2013 to March 2014

To approve the Annual Report for Adult Social Care for April 2013 – March 2014.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Date: Not before February 2014

Consultation

The Local Account will be considered by the Social Care and Public health Cabinet Committee at its meeting 16th January 2014.

To make representations or request further information

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24.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health Issue reference:

Key Yes

Home Care Contract Award

To agree the outcome of the Home Care Contract tender process

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Date: Not before February 2014

Consultation

Decision will be reported at the next available committee on 2 May 2014

Other consultation planned or undertaken:

Providers of Home Care have been informally consulted and have taken part in the formal tender process.

Service Users are aware of the retender of the contract.

Section 4 – Responsible Officer – Who to contact for more information.

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Supporting documents

None

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health Issue reference: 14/00015

Key No

Temporary Financial Assistance for Residential Care

To seek agreement to change the policy on Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) for Residential Care to state that a resident will (providing they meet the other criteria) be eligible for TFA once their liquid capital and income can only support their care costs for three months

The decision by KCC to offer, on a discretionary basis, temporary funding for people unable to access funds (usually because they are tied up in property) is directly compatible with Kent's Bold Step to "tackle disadvantage". It is also in line with the corporate objective of supporting people to access the care and support they need. The current official policy is that an individual must wait until their liquid assets have reduced to £3,000 before they become eligible for TFA. This threshold has not changed for several years and it is now thought to be too low, particularly for people whose weekly income is low. For such people there may not be enough time for KCC to process the necessary agreement and to take over the contract with the home.

Financial Implications: It is not possible to predict accurately the financial implications of the proposed change to the policy. Finance believes it will provide a longer period to arrange for a charge to be placed on the resident's property before KCC begins funding. This is a good thing as it ensures our debt is secure. There are currently less than 100 people receiving TFA. The numbers are not expected to increase due to this change, rather people will be able to start the process of getting help earlier.

Legal Implications: The revision to the policy is entirely in line with KCC's duties under the National Assistance Act 1948, in particular sections 21 and 22.

Equality Implications: The proposed change will benefit all service users.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Date: Not before February 2014

Consultation

The intention to take the decision was mentioned as part of Cllr Gibbens' oral update to the Social Care and Public Health Cabinet Committee on 5 December 2013. No comments were noted.

In addition in March 2012 the issue was discussed by the then Adult Social Care and Public Health Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee and at a Cross Party Members' Meeting. The consensus was in support of the proposal.

Other consultation planned or undertaken:

Discussed with relevant Case Management and Finance staff.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None

26.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Issue reference: 13/00075

Key Yes

Changes to the BCG vaccination programme

To remove the routine BCG programme provided by school nurses and for NHS England to arrange an opportunistic programme for 11 to 16 yr olds for those at risk.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Date: Not before February 2014

Consultation

The Adult Social Care and Public Health Cabinet Committee considered the matter in December 2013

Other consultation planned or undertaken: Public Health England, School nursing and the new Kent and Medway immunisation board chaired by PHE.

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? All except Swale.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None

27.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health **Issue reference:** Tbc

Key Yes

Swanley Learning Disability Day Service

To seek agreement to the transfer of the Service from the Junction, St Mary's Road building to a more community focussed model which operates from a community hub based in the newly refurbished Swanley Gateway building in the town centre.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health

Date: Not before February 2014

Consultation

The decision will be taken between Cabinet Committee meetings and reported to the committee on 2 May 2014

Local members and opposition groups were be briefed in October 2013

Formal consultation with service users, carers and staff started 1st November 2013 to 28th January 2014

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None

28.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Issue reference: 14/00022

Key: Yes

Former Shepway Resource Centre, Folkestone - Disposal

To seek approval to the disposal of the former Shepway Resource Centre following the marketing of the site

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before February 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded

Consultation

The proposed decisions will be discussed at Policy & Resources' Property Sub Committee following marketing.

The property is situated within the electoral division of Folkestone West. Cllr Hod Birkby has been consulted.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None

29.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Issue reference: 14/00004

Key No

Proposed expansion of Iwade Primary School, Sittingbourne

The Swale section of the Kent Commissioning Plan for Education Provision 2013-18 has identified a need for up 87additional Reception Year places within Swale district.

The expansion of Iwade Community Primary School will help to address these pressures and adheres to the principles of our Commissioning Plan as it increases capacity at a good, popular school.

Financial Implications:

It is proposed to enlarge Iwade Community Primary School by 210 places taking the PAN to 90 (3FE) for the September 2015 intake and eventually a total capacity of 630 places.

- a. Capital The enlargement of the school requires the provision of 7 additional classrooms, as well as ancillary facilities. A feasibility study has been completed. The total cost is estimated to be in the region of £3,500,000 of which £1,946,501 will be funded from Targeted Basic Need and the remainder from the Basic Need Budget. The costs of the project are estimates and these may increase as the project is developed. If the cost of the project is greater than 10% the Cabinet Member will be required to take a further decision to allocate the additional funding.
- b. Revenue The school will receive increased funding through the Delegated Budget on a 'per pupil' basis.
- c. Human Iwade Community Primary School will appoint additional teachers, as the school size increases and the need arises.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before February 2014

Consultation

- A public consultation meeting was held on 18 November;
- the views of the District and Parish Councils, the local County Councillors; Governing Body of the school, the Staff and Pupils will be sought;
- an Equalities Impact Assessment will be conducted; and
- the views of the Education Cabinet Committee will be sought.
 - On 27 September 2013 the Committee endorsed the Kent Commissioning Plan, which identified a need for additional places in the planning area of Swale District.
 - The Cabinet Committee will consider the proposed decision on 14 January 2014.

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Supporting documents				

Proposed ROD - Iwade

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Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Issue reference: 14/00003

Key Yes

Proposed relocation and expansion of Tunstall CofE Primary School, Sittingbourne

It is proposed to relocate and rebuild the school on a site owned by KCC located approximately 500 metres to the north east of the existing school. It is also proposed to enlarge Tunstall CE Primary School by 30 reception year places, taking the published admissions number (PAN) from 30 to 60 (Two Forms of Entry) for the September 2015 intake.

The project is in line with Kent strategies and in particular supports the following; Bold Steps for Kent prioritises

- 3 Ensure all pupils meet their full potential
- 4: Shape education and skills provision around the needs of the Kent economy

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before February 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded

Consultation

Education Cabinet Committee – 27 September and 14 January 2014 Consultation information can be found via the following link http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/TunstallSchool/consultationHome Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? Swale Central

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Supporting documents

None

31.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Issue reference: 1400012

Key No

Proposal to merge and relocate Foxwood and Highview Schools

To merge Foxwood and Highview Schools, by closing Foxwood school and relocating Highview School to form a "new" school, in addition to increasing the designated number of Highview School to 336 from 282.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before January 2014

Consultation

- Local Members, Mr Martin Whybrow (Foxwood School) and Mr Frank McKenna (Highview School)
- Public consultation

The Executive Headteacher and the Federation Governing Body

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Supporting documents

Proposed RoD - 1400012 - Proposal to merge and relocate Foxwood school, Hythe and Highview school, Folkestone

Report - 1400012 - Proposal to merge and relocate Foxwood school, Hythe and Highview school, Folkestone

32.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Issue reference: 13/00095

Key Yes

Kent Freedom pass including Post 16 Transport

To seek approval for the the introduction of a stored value smartcard providing £350 value for 11-16 year olds and £250 for 16-19 year olds at an unchanged purchase cost of £100. This will be reviewed after 6 months of introduction.

Decision Details:

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date: Not before February 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Affects more than 2 electoral divisions

Consultation

The Environment, Highways & Waste Cabinet Committee discussed the use of Smartcard

technology in October 2013 and the proposed changes to the scheme at its meeting in December 2013 meeting.

No statutory obligation to consult more widely exists as the scheme is discretionary.

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Supporting documents

None

33.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Issue reference: 14/00020

Key Yes

Growth Without Gridlock

To approve the content of Growth without Gridlock in Kent and Medway report. This summarises the achievements of the past three years since the launch of Growth without Gridlock and outlines priorities for delivery to 2021 for Kent and Medway, thus reflecting the federated geography of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership.

Decision details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date: Not before February 2014

Consultation

Has the matter already been discussed by a Cabinet Committee – if so what comments were received.

An earlier version was discussed at January 2013 Cabinet Committee with only minor comments received.

The final draft was considered by the Cabinet Committee on 21 January 2014.

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? All

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Supporting documents

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34.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Issue reference: 14/00006

Key: No

Highways & Transportation Fees - 2014/15

To seek approval to the adjustment of existing fees and charges, and the introduction of a charge for pre-application advice in line with other authorities.

How the decision relates to BS4K and Corporate Objectives:

Helping the Kent economy grow through the provision of services to Developers and Businesses Putting the citizen in control through maximising financial resource for the delivery of frontline services To tackle disadvantage through the delivery of preventative training for road casualty reduction

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date: Not before January 2014

Consultation

The proposed decision will be considered by the Environment, Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee on 21 January 2014.

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Supporting documents

None

35.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Issue reference: 12/020231

Key No

Eden Centre Lease

To agree the principle of the grant of a long lease to a charitable community interest company or similar vehicle of The Eden Centre, the timelines and processes that need to follow.

BS4K

The proposal directly links to Bold Steps for Kent, such as putting the citizen in control, building new partnerships and providing a new fit for purpose building to deliver Library and FSC services in conjunction with other partners such as the Citizen's Advice Bureau and House (West Kent Action), to support Kent's more vulnerable citizens.

Impact/costs and risks of proposed decision

The impact of the decision will be KCC will have less control if the management and operation of the centre become the responsibility of a third party, reliance on the professionalism of the trustees to deliver a successful facility, financial model for the charitable vehicle will have to be agreed by all partners, reputational risk to KCC if the charitable vehicle fails, relies upon getting buy in from all community groups in occupation to form trust, untried and untested model, level of income generation from the centre which could go to the charitable vehicle is currently unknown as new facility, continued KCC ownership of a non core asset, officers may be unable to get agreement from stakeholders, charitable vehicle is not financially sustainable or the trust may break down and charitable vehicle will have to pick up void periods and associated costs (benefit to KCC).

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before June 2013

Consultation

The Eden Church, Citizen's Advice Bureau, House (West Kent Action), Edenbridge Library and FSC as partners in the centre. It is expected that representatives from all of these occupier groups will be represented by the charitable vehicle trustees, along with Sevenoaks District Council and Edenbridge Town Council.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

36.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform **Issue reference No:** 14/00021

Key Yes

Proposed Expansion of Garlinge Primary School & Nursery, Margate

To permanently expand the school from 3 forms of entry to 4 forms of entry adding 210 school places.

The project is in line with Kent strategies and in particular supports the following; Bold Steps for Kent prioritises

- Ensure all pupils meet their full potential
- Shape education and skills provision around the needs of the Kent economy

Financial Implications:

Capital – The enlargement of the school requires the provision of 9 additional classrooms as well as ancillary facilities. A feasibility study was undertaken and a planning application has been submitted. The total cost is estimated to be in the region of £2,500,000. Appropriate funding has been identified as part of the Medium Term Capital Programme. The costs of the

project are estimates and these may increase as the project is developed. If the cost of the project is greater than 10% the Cabinet Member will be required to take a further decision to allocate the additional funding.

Revenue – For a period of three academic years from September 2014, the school will receive protection for an additional 30 Reception Year pupils at the rate of £2,727 per pupil. For each additional classroom, resulting from the expansion of the school, the sum £6,000 will be allocated towards the classroom setup costs.

Equality Implications:

The equalities impact assessment can be accessed via the following link: http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/Garlinge/consultationHome

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before March 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded

Consultation

The Education Cabinet Committee considered this proposal as part of the Commissioning plan at its meeting on 27 September 2013. It will be considered further by the Committee at its next meeting in March.

A consultation is currently running and can be accessed via the following link http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/Garlinge/consultationHome

A public meeting was held on Wednesday 8 January.

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision?

Margate West – Mr Jeffrey Elenor

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Supporting documents

None

37.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Issue reference: 14/00018

Key Yes

Proposed expansion of Joy Lane Primary School, Whitstable

To seek approval to the permanent expansion of the above named school from 2 forms of entry to 3 forms of entry adding 210 school places.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before March 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded

Consultation

The matter was included in the commissioning plan considered by the Education Cabinet Committee on 27 September 2013 and will be further considered in detail on 14 March 2014

A consultation is currently running and can be accessed via the following link

http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/JoyLane/consultationHome

A public meeting is being held at the school on Thursday 30 January.

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision?

Whitstable Division – Mr Mark Dance and Mr Mike Harrison

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Supporting documents

None

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Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet

Issue reference: 14/00023

Key Yes

Early Years and Childcare Strategy 2014-17

Cabinet will be asked to agree the draft Early Years and Childcare Strategy 2014 - 17

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet

Date: April 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Key strategy that has the potential to have significant impact on two or

more electoral divisions

Consultation

Education Cabinet Committee discussed this report on 14 January and supported the consultation taking place

Education Cabinet Committee will receive a report on the outcome of the consultation on 14 March 2014

The draft policy is currently out for consultation

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Supporting documents

None

CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS FOR 2014 - DATES TO BE CONFIRMED IN LINE WITH DISTRICT COUNCIL TIMETABLES

39.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste **Reference No:** 12/01923, 12/01925, 12/01926, 12/01928, 12/01929, 12/01933, 12/01969

Key decision: Yes

Local Transport Strategies – Various

To agree various local transport strategies.

BS4K:

The strategies will 'Help the 'Kent Economy Grow' and 'Tackle Disadvantage' by managing congestion in town centres, improving the reliability of journey times for commuters and visitors and managing freight journeys more successfully. This will in turn enhance key sustainable transport links to employment, education and health care.

Impacts / Costs and risks of proposed decisions:

The transport strategies to be agreed all form part a key part of evidence base for the relevant Local Plan. These plans will be subject to and examination in public by and independent planning inspector during 2013. The appropriateness and deliverability of each strategy will be an important consideration in the inspector's decision on the soundness of the Plan as a whole.

The delivery of each transport strategy will be heavily dependent on securing funding contributions from development through the section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) processes, as KCC's Local Transport Plan funding allocation from Central Government is likely to be under sustained pressure from the foreseeable future. KCC will not be the charging authority therefore it will be reliant on each local council as the planning authority to allocate sufficient CIL revenue to the priority transport infrastructure projects identified in the strategy. The availability of CIL revenue will in turn be dictated by the phasing and extent of new development which will be influenced by a range of external factors.

Adoption of the Tonbridge Town Centre Revised Transport Strategy by Kent County Council (KCC).

Decision Details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment

Date: Between December 2012 and December 2013

Reason if Key Decision: The decisions are likely to be significant in terms of their effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the relevant local authority.

Consultation

The relevant Local Members for each plan will be consulted

The Environment Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee will consider each plan prior to the agreement of the Cabinet Member.

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