



FORTHCOMING EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

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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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Mr Gary Cooke	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services
Mr M Dance	Cabinet Member for Economic Development
Mr Roger Gough	Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform
Mr Graham Gibbens	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health
Mr Mike Hill	Cabinet Member for Community Services
Mr Bryan Sweetland	Cabinet Member for Commercial and Traded Services
Mr Peter Oakford	Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services





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WITHDRAWN

None

UPDATE AWAITED

1.
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 Birkby (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

2.

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 Hoare (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

3.

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:
 Nicholas Bond : Herne Bay
 Brian MacDowell : Herne Bay
 Canterbury City Council

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

PROPOSED DECISION PUBLISHED

4.

Responsible Cabinet Member - Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services
 Issue reference: 14/00079
 Key decision: Yes

Post Sexual Abuse Support Service

To seek approval for the award of contract for delivery of post sexual abuse services.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services
Date: Not before August 2013

Consultation

The providers of these services have been informally consulted as part of the commissioning process. In addition views from Specialist Children's Services have been sought together with an analysis of customer feedback which has all been used to develop the service model.

To make representations or request further information

Supporting documents

None submitted

APPROVED SUBJECT TO COMPLETION OF CALL-IN PERIOD

5.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment
Reference No: 14/00056
Key: Yes

Thanet Parkway Railway Station - Project Development and Delivery

To approve next steps for developing Thanet Parkway project involving:

- a) the work to undertake land acquisition, including commencing the Compulsory Purchase Order process;
- b) the undertaking of public consultations this and next financial years, and;
- c) the commencement of development work and submission of planning application.

The project is outlined as a priority within Growth without Gridlock (2010-30), the Local Transport Plan (2011-16) and the Rail Action Plan for Kent (2011) and will address Kent County Council's key objectives.

The project will 'help the Kent economy to grow': it will unlock development in East Kent and boost Kent's economy by improving rail accessibility to key employment sites such as the Discovery Park Enterprise Zone, Manston Business Park, Eurokent Business Park, Westwood Cross and China Gateway.

The Thanet District Council Core Strategy Options Consultation (2013) identifies the district's intention to deliver 7,500 houses by 2026. In order to support this level of development rail accessibility will need to be improved, as limited car parking capacity at Ramsgate station currently restricts its ability to cater for additional demand. The Parkway station would enable delivery of more than 2,000 new houses and 5,000 new jobs in East Kent by improving connectivity and accessibility to key development areas and improving perceptions of the area.

The project will help to 'tackle disadvantage and unemployment' in East Kent: The Parkway station itself is located in Thanet, where 15,200 households were recorded as living in poverty in 2010 and unemployment at 5.7% (June 2013), significantly higher than Kent's average unemployment rate of 2.8% (June 2013). The scheme will enable key employment areas to be reached by public transport,

which are currently only accessible by private car. The Parkway station will increase employment opportunities for Thanet residents to London and other locations in the county such as Ashford and will bring London to within 1 hour travel time opening up significant inward investment opportunities for Thanet.

Financial Implications: £10 million grant funding is being sought from the Single Local Growth fund; discussions are taking place with Network Rail and the private sector to fill any funding gap to deliver the Parkway station. The business case work has been completed, showing that the project offers high value for money and the station is commercially viable (net fares revenue is in excess of the on-going cost). Depending on the operating model, there is the potential for the station car park to provide a future income to KCC over a number of years.

Legal Implications: Legal advice will be sought throughout the development of this project to prepare agreements with Network Rail and ensure we are complying with the necessary UK and EU regulations in delivering a commercial car park at the station.

Equality Implications: An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out for this project and will be attached with the July 2014 Cabinet Committee report.

The matter is agreed as part of the Council's annual budget for 2014-15 at page 32, row reference 12.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date: Not before July 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Consultation

As part of the project development a public consultation is planned for Autumn 2014 with a further more detailed consultation anticipated around September 2015.

To make representations or request further information:

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Director of Environment, Planning and
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Supporting documents

None submitted

APPROVED. CALL-IN PERIOD COMPLETED SINCE LAST PUBLICATION

6.	Reference No: 14/00065
Older Persons Nursing Contract re-let (pricing)	
To confirm the price paid by KCC for Older Persons Nursing care beds across Kent from 1 October 2014.	

Further information	
<p>These contracts directly support two of the council's objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the transformation of health and social care in Kent. • Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent. <p>Additionally, the price increase decision is a key part of the subsequent decision on reletting the contracts for the provision of Older Person Nursing care.</p>	
Implications	
<p>Financial Implications: Any price increase will be based on detailed analysis of the costs of care provision to ensure that the Council is paying a 'fair price for care'. This analysis will be undertaken as part of the ongoing work with the providers and is about putting the sector on a more sustainable footing for the longer term.</p> <p>Legal Implications: Legal and Democratic Services have advised Officers that the associated contracts are required to be re-let by 1 October 2014 in order to meet the council's obligations. This price increase is part of undertaking the subsequent re-let.</p> <p>Equality Implications: None</p>	
DECISION DETAILS	
<p>Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health Date: Not before July 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if Key Decision: significance criteria met</p>	
CONSULTATION	
<p>Consultation was undertaken with nursing care home providers throughout the procurement process. A series of consultation events were held in February 2014, followed by tender workshops in April 2014. Questions and queries from providers were addressed via the Kent Business Portal.</p> <p>The proposed decision will be considered by the 11th July Adult Social Care and Public Health Cabinet Committee.</p>	
To make representations and seek further information	
<p>Lead officer: Christy Holden, Head of Strategic Commissioning, Accommodation Solutions 0300 333 5503 Christy.holden@kent.gov.uk</p>	<p>Lead Director: Mark Lobban Director Strategic Commissioning, mark.lobban@kent.gov.uk</p>
Supporting documents	
None submitted	

7.	Reference No: 14/00064
Older Persons Residential Contract re-let (Pricing)	
<p>To confirm the price paid by KCC for Older Persons Residential Care beds across Kent from 1 October 2014. This contract directly support two of the council's objectives:</p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the transformation of health and social care in Kent • Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent. <p>Additionally, the price increase decision is a key part of the subsequent decision on re-letting the contract for the provision of Older Person Residential Care.</p>	
DECISION DETAILS	
<p>Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health Date: Not before June 2014 Key Decision Reason: significant effect on communities living or working in two or more divisions</p>	
CONSULTATION	
<p>Consultation was undertaken with residential care home providers throughout the procurement process. A series of consultation events were held in February 2014, followed by tender workshops in April 2014. Questions and queries from providers were addressed via the Kent Business Portal.</p>	
To make representations or seek further information	
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Supporting documents	
None submitted	

8.	Reference No: 14/00077
Tendering for Community Infant Feeding Service	
<p>To award the contract for the delivery of infant feeding services to the winning bidders of the competitive tendering exercise.</p>	
Decision Details	
<p>Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Public Health Date: Not before July 2014 Key Decision Reason if Key Decision: Expenditure or savings of more than £1m</p>	
Consultation	
<p>Public Health completed a consultation to find out what mothers value most about infant feeding services and what they would want a new service to provide. Respondents indicated that they valued having a local specialist service to support breastfeeding in the early days and weeks after they have given birth. They also valued the support and advice from peer supporters who were approachable and available at community venues such as Children's Centres.</p> <p>A market engagement exercise, conducted alongside the consultation, highlighted a good level of interest for a county wide service to support infant feeding. Providers supported the proposal for a countywide community infant feeding service which would have responsibility for improving breastfeeding rates across the county by providing a consistent level of support for new mothers including lactation specialists and peer supporters.</p>	

Providers who participated in the market engagement process also welcomed the expectation of close working and co-location with children's centres.

The Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee agreed to support the tendering exercise at their meeting of 2nd May 2014. The results of the tender exercise, and therefore this decision, will be discussed at the meeting of the Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 9th July 2014.

To make representations and seek further information

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Support documents

None submitted

9.

Reference No: 14/00081

Millbank Reception & Assessment Centre

The Millbank Reception Centre is larger than required and recent changes in Home Office funding for Kent County Council have made it unaffordable.
Alternative suitable provision can be commissioned within the budget available.

Consideration of Future Service Options for reception and assessment arrangements for asylum seeking boys arriving in Kent.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services
Date: Not before July 2014
Non-key

Consultation

Stakeholders will be consulted as part of developing the future service options.

The 9th July 2014 Children's Social Care & Health Cabinet Committee considered the recommendation report and endorsed the proposed decision.

Specialist Children's Service Divisional Management Team and the Corporate Director for Social Care, Health and Wellbeing have been consulted and confirm the recommendations in the Award Report.

To make representations and seek further information

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Support documents

None submitted

EXPECTED JUNE 2014 AND NOT BEFORE

10.	Reference No: 14/00068
Property Disposals at Dumpton Park Drive, Broadstairs; Freeman's Way, Deal; Stock Lane, Wilmington; and London Road, Westerham	
Approval is sought for the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to progress with and enter into the necessary documentation to complete the disposal of the properties in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services. The Decision also seeks for legal agreements to be actioned to complete the sales of the relevant properties.	
FURTHER INFORMATION	
This decision relates to the Bold Steps for Kent in securing a capital receipt to fund the capital programme and to streamline the Council's property portfolio in order to achieve financial and efficiency benefits in line with the Property Policy. The impact of the decision will be that the receipt will be achieved as quickly as possible to ensure that the capital programme is delivered and minimise holding costs. Without the decision, KCC will be unable to respond to offers in a timely fashion without losing the prospective purchaser. This will affect the delivery of the capital programme and will increase holding costs.	
DECISION DETAILS	
Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services Date: Not before June 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria exceeded	
CONSULTATION	
The proposed decision will be published to all members and comments sought prior to the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services taking the decision. The Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee will receive a report setting out the details.	
To make representations or seek further information	
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Support documents	
None	

EXPECTED JULY AND NOT BEFORE

11.
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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12.	Issue reference: 13/00034
Discovery Park Enterprise Zone, Sandwich. Growing Places Fund investment	
To seek authority for KCC to enter into a credit agreement with Essex County Council to draw down the GPF funding; and seek to enter into a series of annual subordinate credit agreements 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.	
LATEST UPDATE	
Decision due date changed from 20/07/2013 to 08/07/2014. REASON: A full project proposal is due to be completed by officers shortly. The decision is likely to be progressed in July at which time it will be considered at the Growth, Economic Development and Communities Cabinet Committee scheduled for 8 July 2014	
FURTHER INFORMATION	
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. 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: 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.

Public Consultation

Summer 2012 – March 2013

There is no separate consultation outcomes report. However, the discussion at the South East LEP Board has been published at www.southeastlep.com.

Equalities Impact Assessment

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.

Cabinet Committee:

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.

Growing Places Fund investment is referred to in Economic Development Unit Divisional Business Plan 2013/14

Local 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

13.	Reference No: 14/00078
Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform	

Five Acre Wood School, Maidstone

Proposal to expand Five Acre Wood School, Maidstone and increase the designated number of places offered from 210 to 275

Proposed decision: To update the facilities; expand the school; create a Satellite provision at East Borough Primary School for 15 pupils with a statement of Special Educational Needs for complex learning difficulties for October 2014; and increase the designated number of places offered at Five Acre Wood School from 210 places to 275 places:

- (i) Allocate £1.726 million from Targeted Basic Need budget and £12 million from the Basic Need budget.
- (ii) AUTHORISE the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts
- (iii) Update the facilities at Five Acre Wood School
- (iv) Issue a public notice to (a) create a Satellite provision at East Borough Primary School, Vinters Road, Maidstone ME14 5DX for 15 students with complex learning difficulties (b) to increase the designated number of places from 210 places to 275 places from October 2014.

And, subject to no objections being received to the public notice

- (ii) Expand the school
- (iii) Create a Satellite Provision for 15 Students at East Borough Primary School, Vinters Road, Maidstone ME14 5DX from October 2014

Increase the designated number of places from 210 to 275 from October 2014

The Executive Scheme of Delegation for Officers set out in Appendix 2 Part 4 of the Constitution (and the directorate schemes of sub-delegation made thereunder) provides the governance pathway for the implementation of this decision by officers. In this instance, the Director of Property, Infrastructure and Support (on behalf of the Corporate Director Business Strategy & Support) will take the substantive steps as are necessary to implement the decision.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before July 2014

Reason if Key Decision

The refurbishment element of the decision will be treated separately and work will begin before the 28day publication period is over, all other elements of this decision are Key because the financial criteria has exceeded

Consultation	
Public Consultation Local Councillor: Maidstone South Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee	
To make representations and seek further information	
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Supporting documents	
None submitted	

14. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport	Reference No: 14/00076
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Position Statement on Development of Large Scale Solar Arrays

To support the approach taken in the position statement and endorse the document as setting the position of KCC in the assessment of solar arrays and provision of comments to districts. In addition, that support is sought from the Kent Planning Officers Group (KPOG) for the adoption of the document across the districts.

[Planning Guidance for the development of large scale ground mounted solar PV systems BRE National Solar Centre](#)
[Planning Practice Guidance for Renewable and Low Carbon Energy DCLG July 2013](#)

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport
Date: Not before July 2014

Consultation

The proposed position statement will be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee

To make representations and seek further information

Rachel Clout Rachel.clout@kent.gov.uk	
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Supporting documents

None submitted

15.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Reference No: 14/00055

Key: Yes

Lorry Park Network (Phase 1)

To determine the preferred site for the delivery of the first lorry park (Phase 1) of a network of lorry parks across Kent, based on the detailed evidence to be provided and once determined approve:

- a) the work to undertake land acquisition, including commencing the Compulsory Purchase Order process;
- b) the undertaking of a public consultation exercise on the preferred site later in 2014, and;
- c) Commencement of project development work and submission of a planning application.

This project directly supports the strategic aims of KCC:

- i. It 'helps the Kent economy to grow': it will encourage inward investment in to East Kent, improve business productivity by alleviating congestion and unreliability (avoiding a loss of £1m/day during Operation Stack) and reduce wastage of public money associated with managing Operation Stack and dealing with inappropriate overnight lorry parking. Kent's Business Advisory Board states the impact of Operation Stack on their businesses is substantially negative and therefore it is hoped that the improvements described will also help to tackle the perception that Kent is not open for business, currently an unwanted misconception that occurs as a result of the national publicity that Operation Stack receives.
- ii. It 'tackles disadvantage': by reducing accidents, improving quality of life for Kent's residents, reducing illegal and unsuitable lorry parking (including overnight parking) in Kent, improving drivers' dignity and helping them to follow the EU Drivers Hours Directive, improving the perceptual image of East Kent from a tourism perspective and reducing the amount of public resources diverted to the management of Operation Stack.

Decision details

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date: Not before July 2014

Reason if Key Decision: Relevant financial criteria exceeded.

Consultation

The project was considered by the Environment, Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee in January 2014 as part of the update of Growth without Gridlock, KCC's 20 year transport delivery plan, itself forming part of the 'Unlocking the Potential' economic strategy. No project specific comments were received.

The proposed decision will be discussed in detail at the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee scheduled for 22nd July 2014.

Further consultation is planned as part of the project development and is expected to be held in the

autumn of 2014 with a second, more detailed, consultation anticipated around September 2015. Electoral divisions within the districts of Ashford, Shepway and Dover are particularly affected by this proposal.

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents:

None submitted

16.

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment
Reference No: 14/00035
Key Yes

Household Waste and Recycling Centres and Transfer Station Contract

To seek approval for the award of the Household Waste and Recycling Contract (HWRC) and Transfer Station (TS) Contract to the preferred bidder or bidders.

Financial Implications: The proposed contract spend by KCC will be approximately £7.8M per year for an initial period of up to six years, with a possible six year extension based on performance.

Legal Implications: KCC have a statutory responsibility to provide a service to enable householders to dispose of their waste.

Equality Implications: Relevant EIA's will be part of the procurement project documentation. The proposed decision is in line with Kent's priorities. It will improve how we procure and commission services (to help the Kent economy to grow)'.
The matter is referred to in the Waste Business Plan 2013

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment
Date: Not before May 2014
Reason if Key Decision: Financial Criteria exceeded

Consultation

The Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee will receive a Procurement update during the April 2014 meeting cycle.
Further consultation will be undertaken to gather opinions from key consultee groups to ensure that the tender and evaluation process is sufficiently robust, in order to allow the Cabinet Member to sign off the final procurement outcome, prior to 01 September 2014.
Key consultee groups are as follows:
Corporate Procurement, Legal Services, Property, Finance, Potential Suppliers (Market Engagement). Executive Director, Key Waste Officers

In addition, on-going consultation and engagement throughout the procurement process will include: Market Engagement with Potential Bidders, Waste Collection Authorities (District Councils), Liaison with other waste disposal authorities, Engagement/Benchmarking, Focus Groups

Finally the following key dates must be adhered to:

Preferred Bidder/s Identified: 15/16 May 2014

Standstill Period: 3-17 June 2014

Contract Sign: 26 June 2014

Mobilisation: 3 July 2014

Contract Start: 1 September 2014

Local Members and electoral Divisions in East and Mid Kent are particularly affected.

To make representations or request further information:

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Supporting documents

None submitted

17.	Issue reference: 13/00025
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Facing the Aviation Challenge (Previously Bold Steps for Aviation)

To agree the council's approach to issues of aviation

LATEST UPDATE 19/05/2014

1. The decision title has been changed from Bold Steps for Aviation to Facing the Aviation Challenge.

REASON: In order to maintain a 'one council' approach to policy and strategy. The principle of the decision – to establish KCC's approach to aviation issues – remains unchanged.

2. Decision due date changed from 13/12/2013 to 22/07/2014.

REASON: The decision has been delayed owing to uncertainty regarding the future of Manston Airport and the consequences of that for any strategic direction supported by Kent County Council. The decision will not now be taken before 22 July in order that the draft document can be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee before it is considered for adoption by the Cabinet Member

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste

Date: Not before June 2013

Non-Key

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee in July 2014.

To make representations or request further information

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Support documents

None specified

EXPECTED AUGUST AND NOT BEFORE

18. **Reference No:** 14/00066

Older Persons Residential and Older Persons Nursing Contract re-let

The decision is needed to enable sufficient provision of Older Persons Residential and Older Persons Nursing care beds across Kent so that the market can fulfil KCC's statutory duty to place those assessed as requiring this type of care. By securing sufficient provision at a 'fair price' for all those in need of residential/nursing care, KCC will continue to meet the aim of the council being a commissioning authority. These contracts directly support two of the council's objectives:

- Support the transformation of health and social care in Kent.
- Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Financial Implications: The relet of the contracts for the provision of residential and nursing care will ensure that the price paid to the independent sector is a 'fair price for care', based on a clear understanding for the costs of care provision following analysis undertaken as part of the consultation and relet process. The relet will move the sector to a more sustainable basis which may cause a budget pressure.

Legal Implications: Legal and Democratic Services have advised Officers that these contracts are required to be relet by 1 October 2014 in order to meet the council's obligations.

Equality Implications:

None

DECISION DETAILS

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

Date: Not before August 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if Key Decision: Significance criteria met

CONSULTATION

Consultation was undertaken with residential and nursing care home providers throughout the procurement process. A series of consultation events were held in February 2014, followed by tender workshops in April 2014. Questions and queries from providers were addressed via the Kent Business Portal.

The relet will be discussed at 11 July Adult Social Care and Public Health Cabinet Committee.

To make representation or seek further information

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Supporting documents

None submitted

19. Issue reference: 14/00022

Former Shepway Resource Centre, Folkestone – Disposal

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

LATEST UPDATE

Decision due date changed from 18/02/2014 to 01/08/2014.
REASON: The proposed decision to dispose of the Centre was delayed while internal processes were undertaken to ensure that no other suitable use could be found before disposal. This process is complete and the former resource centre will be placed on the market shortly. Responses from the market will be gauged after a period of approximately 3 months and a proposal for the site put forward at that time. The decision will be considered by the Property Sub-Committee or the Policy and Resources cabinet Committee before being taken by the Cabinet Member.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services
 Date: Not before August 2014
 Reason if Key Decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded

CONSULTATION

The proposals 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	

20. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport Date: Not before August 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if key decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded	Reference No: 14/00085
Highway Resurfacing – Award of Contract	
To seek approval for the award of the Highway Resurfacing Contract 2014-2016 to Eurovia Infrastructure Ltd There are not considered to be any legal or equality implications.	
Decision Details	
Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport Environment & Transport Date: Not before August 2014	
Consultation	
The Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee will discuss the proposed decision on 22 nd July 2014	
To make representations and seek further information	
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Supporting documents	
None	

EXPECTED SEPTEMBER AND NOT BEFORE

<p>21. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet member for Adult Social Care & Public Health Date: Not before September 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if key decision: Due to the value of the Section 75 agreement</p>	<p>Reference No: 14/00089</p>
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Section 75 Agreement on Integrated Personal Health Budgets

Proposed decision:

- a) To agree that Kent County Council can enter into a Section 75 agreement with the Kent CCGs, this will allow the CCGs to utilise KCC financial systems to make Personal Health Budget Direct Payments.
- b) To delegate the authority to the Corporate Director – Social Care, Health and Wellbeing to arrange sealing of the Section 75 agreement.

How the decision relates to Corporate Objectives:

- Supports Health and Social Integration
- Personal Health Budgets in combination with Personal Budgets in social care have the potential to drive greater integration of health and social care for individuals and better partnership working between the NHS and Local Authority.

Financial Implications: On request from the CCG KCC releases the direct payment to health recipients and invoices the CCG on a monthly basis. The Section 75 agreement provides a framework for this process and financial protection for KCC. As part of the agreement KCC has requested funding from the CCGs to manage the additional workload.

Legal Implications: The Section 75 agreement has been drafted and agreed by KCC legal.

Equality Implications: The agreement will allow for a more seamless transition for people moving between health and social care funding, therefore ensuring people have continuity of care and support.

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

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health

Date: Not before September 2014

Consultation

The issue will be discussed by the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 26 September 2014

Has the matter already been discussed by a Cabinet Committee – if so what comments were received. **No**

If not when will be it discussed by the Cabinet Committee and the date of the meeting: **26 September 2014**

Other consultation planned or undertaken: **No**

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision? **Cabinet Member for Specialist Children’s Services**

To make representations and seek further information

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Supporting documents

There will be a formal report to the Cabinet Committee on 26 September.

22. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Commercial & Traded Services	Reference No: 14/00096
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Renewal of flexible energy procurement frameworks (LASER)

To seek approval for LASER to conclude the procurement of flexible energy frameworks for the supply of gas and electricity following an open OJEU compliant tender process and to delegated authority to the Corporate Director of Growth, Environment & Transport to enter and sign the associated contracts on behalf of Kent County Council as detailed below:

- a) Flexible framework contract for the sale of gas, with a value of £600m over four years
- b) Flexible contract for the sale of electricity, with a value of £900m over four years

The existing energy framework contracts will expire 30 September 2016.

KCC's energy spend under these frameworks will be approximately £65m over four years. The remaining value is energy purchases made by LASER on behalf of other public sector customers who utilise the framework.

To maintain a sufficient window for purchasing energy requirements from 1 October 2016 onwards, the new frameworks will be established by 30 September 2014. This allows LASER to spread the purchases of future energy requirements, and mitigates the risk of purchasing at times of peak market pricing.

Decision Details

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Commercial & Traded Services
Date: Not before September 2014

Consultation

LASER customers will be consulted. To this end, LASER met with customers between January and March 2014 to advise on the procurement process and to obtain feedback on customer requirements for the new framework. LASER will meet again with all customers again between October and December 2014 to secure their commitment to the new frameworks.

An Equalities Impact Assessment is included in the consultation documentation. The tender specified that all energy suppliers must:

- Comply with all relevant legislation and keep up-to-date with all developments and changes in legislation.
- Take steps to maintain this standard throughout the length of any awarded Agreement / Contract.

Suppliers were required to provide a copy of their Equality and Diversity Policy with their tender submission.

Informing Only: OJEU Award Notices will be issued once the contracts are executed. LASER will also notify all customers directly.

The proposed decision will be considered by the Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee on 19 September 2014

The procurement process does not have a specific mention in the LASER business plan as it is a business-as-usual replacement of existing frameworks. A Business Case for the procurement process was approved by the Commercial Services Executive Chairman prior to the tender being released.

To make representations and seek further information

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Supporting documents

None

<p>23. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services Date: Not before September 2014 Decision class: Key decision Reason if key decision: To ensure that land and property surplus to operational requirements is either reallocated to meet alternative needs or sold in line with statutory requirements</p>	<p>Reference No: 13/00095</p>
Disposal of Residential Land adjoining Great Clayne Lane Farm, Gravesend	
<p>The Decision needed: To give Approval to the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services to progress with and enter into the necessary legal documentation to complete the disposal of residential land adjoining Great Clayne Lane Farm, Gravesend following the marketing of the site. The site has been marketed and offers received, shortlisted and a preferred purchaser has been identified. The Decision will seek for legal agreements to be actioned to complete the sale of the property.</p> <p>This Decision relates to the Bold Steps for Kent in securing a capital receipt to fund the capital programme and to streamline the Council's property portfolio in order to achieve financial and efficiency benefits. The site will be developed and will provide opportunities in the construction sector. The future use of the development will have a positive impact on the local economy.</p> <p>Impact/costs and risks of proposed Decision The impact of the Decision will be that the receipt can be achieved quickly ensuring that the capital programme is delivered and holding costs minimised. Without the Decision, KCC will be unable to respond to the offer in a timely fashion and risk losing the prospective purchaser.</p>	
Decision Details	
<p>Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services Date: Not before September 2014</p>	
Consultation	
<p>Local Members Colin Caller and Jane Cribbon will be consulted before the decision is taken and all members of the council notified</p>	
To make representations and seek further information	
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Supporting documents	
<p>None</p>	

25. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform Date: Not before September 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if key decision: Expenditure or savings of > £1m	Reference No: 14/00093 14/00097
Oakley School, Tunbridge Wells: Refurbishment and increase of designation pupil number	
<p>The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform is asked agree to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Increase the designated pupil number from 188 to 206 ii. Allocate £1.5 million from Special School Review Capital Programme Budget in order that the school may be expanded iii. Authorise the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support in consultation with the Director of Law and Governance to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council iv. Authorise the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts <p>Financial Implications: The capital costs, of rebuilding, refurbishing, relocating and expanding the schools in the Special School Review, are currently in the Capital Programme. £63m identified for the Special school programme has been set aside for these projects. Further information will be provided in the report to the Cabinet Member when he takes his decision.</p> <p>Human resource implications: If required, the schools will appoint additional teaching and support staff at the appropriate time.</p> <p>Legal Implications: Any implications will be contained in the report to the Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform</p> <p>Equality Implications: An Equality Impact assessment was completed as part of the SEN review</p>	
Decision Details	
Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform Date: Not before September 2014	
Consultation	
<p>The proposed decision was considered by the Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee - 23 July.</p> <p>The relevant Local County Councillor will also be consulted.</p>	
To make representations and seek further information	
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Supporting documents	
01622 694174 • Kent Commissioning Plan for Education 2013-8 and the review of the Education Kevin.Shovelton@kent.gov.uk	01622 221151 Rebecca.spore@kent.gov.uk
Supporting documents None • Targeted Basic Need Funding Report to Education Cabinet Committee on 23 September 2013	

26. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform Date: Not before September 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if key decision: Expenditure or savings of > £1m	Reference No: 14/00098
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Ridgeview School, Tonbridge - proposed expansion and relocation

Decision: The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform asked to take the decision to

- (i) To increase the designated pupil number from 164 to 174
- (ii) Allocate £14.6 million from Special School Review Capital Budget in order that the school may be expanded and relocated
- (iii) Authorise the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support in consultation with the Director of Law and Governance to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council
- (iv) Authorise the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts

Decision Details

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform
Date: Not before September 2014

Consultation

- The Education Cabinet Committee was consulted at its meeting held on 14 September 2013
- The relevant Local County Councillor

To make representations and seek further information

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Supporting documents

- Kent Commissioning Plan for Education 2013-8 and the review of the Education
- Review Kent Commissioning Plan 2013-18 that was presented to Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee on 23 July 2014.
- Targeted Basic Need Funding Report to Education Cabinet Committee on 23 September 2013

27.	Reference No: 13/00038
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Joint Transportation Boards - Agreement and Governance

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.

LATEST UPDATE

Decision due date changed from 01/06/2013 to 22/07/2014.
REASON: Negotiations continue between the relevant stakeholders to amend the agreement relating to JTBS.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment
Date: Not before June 2013
Non-Key

FURTHER INFORMATION

JTBS are an important local mechanism for discussing highway/transport matters. In this context, JTBS meet Kent County Council's Localism Agenda.
There are no impacts, costs or risks relating to the proposed decision

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 JTBS 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 its 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

None specified

28.	Issue reference: 14/00020
Growth Without Gridlock	
To seek approval of 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.

LATEST UPDATE

19/05/2014 - Decision due date changed from 10/02/2014 to 17/09/2014.

REASON: The strategic position relating to Highways and Transportation projects was set out as part of the LEP Strategic Economic Plan submitted via KMEP and the LEP to the Secretary of State at the end of March 2014, you can view the decision to submit and the document submitted here, <https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=577>

Central Government is expected to announce a funding allocation in July 2014. Based on these allocations the final selection and prioritisation of projects for inclusion in Growth without Gridlock will take place and the strategy as completed can be adopted by decision of the Cabinet Member.

The decision date has been updated to 'not before' 17 September 2014 in order that the draft strategy can be considered by the relevant Cabinet Committee before any decision is taken.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport

Date: Not before 17/09/2014

Key: Yes

Reason: Significant effect on communities living or working in two or more electoral divisions

CONSULTATION

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.

All Members and Electoral Divisions are affected by the proposed decision

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None

<p>29. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport Date: Not before September 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if key decision: Expenditure or savings of > £1m</p>	<p>Reference No: 14/00092</p>
<p>M20 Junction 4 – Eastern Overbridge Widening</p>	
<p>Proposed decision: Approval to take the highway improvement scheme through the next stages of development including authority to progress Statutory Orders and to enter into land and funding agreements.</p> <p>Financial Implications: Covered under existing budget allocations Legal Implications: None Equality Implications: Detailed scheme design will consider equalities aspects</p>	
<p>Decision Details</p>	
<p>Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport Date: Not before September 2014</p>	
<p>Consultation</p>	
<p>Consideration by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee – 17/9/14 Stakeholder engagement exhibition planned after the development of the scheme outline design. Local Member, Sarah Hohler– Malling North</p>	
<p>To make representations and seek further information</p>	
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<p>Supporting documents</p>	
<p>None</p>	

30. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport Date: Not before September 2014 Decision class: Key	Reference No: 13/00094
Gravesend Transport Quarter Phase 3 - Rathmore Road Link, Gravesend	
To seek approval to take the highway improvement scheme through the next stages of development including authority to progress Statutory Orders and to enter into land and funding agreements. Financial Implications: - Covered under existing budget allocations Legal Implications: - None Equality Implications: - Planning application outline design has considered equalities aspects.	
Decision Details	
Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport Date: Not before September 2014	
Consultation	
Consideration by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 September 2014 Local Member consultation: Sue Howes - Northfleet and Gravesham West Narinderjit Singh Thandi - Northfleet and Gravesham West Colin Caller -Gravesham East Jane Cribbon - Gravesham East	
To make representations and seek further information	
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Supporting documents	
None	

<p>31. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services Date: Not before September 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if key decision: Expenditure or savings of > £1m</p>	<p>Reference No: 14/00088</p>
<p>Proposal for the delivery of supported lodgings for Kent Care leavers</p>	
<p>To award a short-term interim contract to deliver Supported Lodging provision to Kent's older Children in Care and Care Leavers from 1st October 2014 to 30th June 2015.</p> <p>Financial Implications: The 2013/14 spend on Supported Lodging accommodation was £1,532,000. The proposal is to increase the number of Supported Lodging hosts within the arrangements of the interim contract by 89, increasing the predicted cost profile by £300,000 (subject to negotiation with the provider). However, the increase in placement availability will support cost savings in other budget, particularly foster care by £300,000 per annum.</p> <p>Legal Implications: Spending the Council's Money expects procurement to be competitive. However there are exemptions that may apply to this action (e.g. the purchasing of adult and children's services are required by law under the National Assistance Act 1948 and the Children Act 1989). Alternative processes are set out in Directorate Operational Procedures</p> <p>Equality Implications: An EQIA assessment for the wider Children in Care and Care Leavers transformation has been undertaken with supplementary focus on this specific action. The EQIA supports the intention to diversify provision according to need and ethnicity of young people</p>	
<p>Decision Details</p>	
<p>Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services Date: Not before September 2014</p>	
<p>Consultation</p>	
<p>Considered by Children's Social Care & Health Cabinet Committee on 9 July 2014. Comments were supportive of the proposed recommendation to secure Supported Lodging provision through a short-term interim arrangement and agreement was secured for the Cabinet Member to move to Key Decision.</p>	
<p>To make representations and seek further information</p>	
<p>Sue Mullin Commissioning Manager, Strategic Commissioning 01622 696799</p>	<p>Lead Director: Andrew Ireland, Corporate Director of Social Care, Health and Well Being. Andrew.ireland@kent.gov.uk</p>
<p>Supporting documents</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single Tender Action Memorandum agreed with Legal and Procurement • Paper to Cabinet Committee 9th July • Draft minutes of the 9th July Cabinet Committee meeting 	

32. Responsible Cabinet Member: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services Date: Not before September 2014 Decision class: Key Reason if key decision: Affects more than 1 Electoral Division	Reference No: 14/00090
Updating Policy for Financial Allowances for Children's Arrangements	
<p>To agree changes to the policy concerning financial allowances for children's arrangements.</p> <p>How the decision relates to Corporate Objectives</p> <p>These decisions will support the council's objective to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent. <p>Financial Implications: These changes will affect the Specialist Children's Services' budget by determining the approach to fees paid for certain types of arrangements for children.</p> <p>Legal Implications: The updated policy reflects current guidance and case law</p> <p>Equality Implications: An appropriate equality impact assessment will be undertaken prior to the decisions being taken.</p> <p>??</p>	
Decision Details	
Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services Date: Not before September 2014	
Consultation	
The decision will be discussed at the 23 Sept 2014 Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee	
To make representations and seek further information	
Lead officer: Director for Specialist Children's Services, Social Care, Health and Wellbeing.	Lead Director: Andrew Ireland, Corporate Director for Social Care, Health & Wellbeing
Supporting documents	
A recommendation report will accompany the proposed decisions	

EXPECTED NOVEMBER 2014

33.	Issue reference: 12/02033
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 and 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 via the Executive Scheme of Delegation to finalise terms for both the disposal and acquisition of a new site.

LATEST UPDATE

19/05/2014: Decision due date changed from 23/12/2013 to 'Not before' 01/11/2014.
REASON: The disposals team at KCC are currently working on new plans for the site in order to ensure that the maximum value for the site is secured. Options appraisal work is underway and this work is expected to take approx. 6 months, therefore an expected decision date is set for November.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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 November 2014

Key: No

CONSULTATION

None specified

To make representations or request further information

Rebecca Spore

Director of Property and Infrastructure

Supporting documents

None specified

EXPECTED JANUARY 2015 AND NOT BEFORE

34.

Issue reference: 12/020231

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.

LATEST UPDATE

19/05/2014 - Decision due date changed from 01/03/2014 to 01/01/2015.
REASON: The decision remains at the earliest stages of investigation and options appraisal. A further review will take place in January 2015 when a decision pathway will be identified and the proposed decision updated further.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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
Key: No

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

DATES TO BE CONFIRMED IN LINE WITH DISTRICT TIMETABLES

35.	
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	
<p>To agree various local transport strategies.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Adoption of the Tonbridge Town Centre Revised Transport Strategy by Kent County Council (KCC).</p>	
Decision Details	
<p>Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment Date: Between December 2012 and December 2014 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</p>	
Consultation	
<p>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.</p>	
To make representations or request further information	
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