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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

Every two weeks the list of Forthcoming Executive Decisions is updated. 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.

In accordance with the constitution of Kent County Council, 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) 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 inhouse 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, allows members of the public to see what business is to be conducted and ensures compliance with the 'Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) regulations 2012.

The list outlines any consultation that is proposed, or had been undertaken, in respect of future decisions and who members of the public and the Council should contact to make comments on any particular item.

The list also contains references to supporting documents; these are documents that are likely to be relied upon when a decision is taken. These documents will be published on line and any person is entitled to obtain copies of them unless those documents are 'Exempt' within the meaning of the relevant sections of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

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taken, a copy of the Record of Decision will also be published on the Council's website. Paper copies will be made available by contacting Louise Whitaker (telephone 01622 694433 or email louise.whitaker@kent.gov.uk).

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| Mr John Simmonds | Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Finance and |
| | Procurement |
| Mr David Brazier | Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment |
| 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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None

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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

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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 DECISIONS PULISHED FOR COMMENT

4. **Reference No:** 14/00097

Oakley School, Tunbridge Wells:

Refurbishment and increase of designation pupil number

The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform is asked agree to:

- 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

FURTHER INFORMATION

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.

Human resource implications: If required, the schools will appoint additional teaching and support staff at the appropriate time.

Legal Implications: Any implications will be contained in the report to the Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform

Equality Implications: An Equality Impact assessment was completed as part of the SEN review

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Financial implications exceeded

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision was considered and endorsed by the Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee on 23 July https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s47673/Item%20C1%20-%20Review%20of%20the%20Kent%20Commissioning%20Plan%20for%20Education.pdf

The relevant Local County Councillor, Mr James Scholes, will be consulted before any decision is taken.

To make representations and seek further information

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Supporting documents

- Targeted Basic Need Funding Report to Education Cabinet Committee on 23 September 2013
 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s43250/Item%20D3%20 %20Commissioning%20Plan%20for%20Education%20Provision%202013 18%2027092013%20Education%20Cabinet%20Committee.pdf
- Review Kent Commissioning Plan 2013-18 that was presented to Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee on 23 July 2014 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s47673/ltem%20C1%20- %20Review%20of%20the%20Kent%20Commissioning%20Plan%20for%20Education.pdf

Kent Commissioning Plan for Education 2013-18
 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/g5009/Printed%20minutes%2014th-Oct-2013%2010.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=1

5. **Reference No:** 14/00098

Ridgeview School, Tonbridge - proposed expansion and relocation

Proposed decision: The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform asked to:

- (i) 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 to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts

FURTHER INFORMATION

Governance implications: Should the proposed decision be agreed the Executive Scheme of Delegation to officers contained in the Council's Constitution provides the governance pathway to implementation by officers. In this instance the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support in consultation with the Director of Law and Governance is expected to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council

Financial implications: None submitted Legal implications: None submitted Equalities implications: None submitted

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Financial criteria exceeded

CONSULTATION

The Education Cabinet Committee was consulted at its meeting held on 14 September 2013 as part of the report and proposed decision relating to Basic Needs Funding https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s42589/Item%20B2%20-%20Targeted%20Basic%20Need%20Funded%20Projects.pdf

Local members, Richard Long and Chris Smith will be consulted prior to any decision being taken by the Cabinet Member.

| To make representations and seek further information | | |
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Supporting documents

Targeted Basic Need Funding Report to Education Cabinet Committee on 23 September 2013 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s43250/ltem%20D3%20-

%20Commissioning%20Plan%20for%20Education%20Provision%202013-

18%2027092013%20Education%20Cabinet%20Committee.pdf

Review Kent Commissioning Plan 2013-18 that was presented to Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee on 23 July 2014

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s47673/Item%20C1%20-

%20Review%20of%20the%20Kent%20Commissioning%20Plan%20for%20Education.pdf

Kent Commissioning Plan for Education 2013-18

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s42872/Item%207%20-%20Appendix%20-

%20Kent%20Education%20Commissioning%20Plan%202013%20-2018.pdf as approved by Cabinet October 2014 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/g5009/Printed%20minutes%2014th-Oct-

2013%2010.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=1

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NONE

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| 6. | Reference No: 14/00078 |
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| Responsible Cabinet Member: | |
| Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform | |
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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

ncrease 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

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Supporting documents

7. **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 Maker: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

Date: Not before August 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded

Consultation

The Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee will discuss the proposed decision on 22nd July 2014

To make representations and seek further information

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Supporting documents

None

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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

EXPECTED JUNE 2014 AND NOT BEFORE

| 9. | Reference No: 14/00068 |
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Property Disposals at Dumpton Park Drive, Broadstairs; Freemen'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

10.

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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11. 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

| 12. | Reference No: 14/00076 |
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| Responsible Cabinet Member: | |
| Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport | |

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

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Supporting documents

None submitted

13.

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

None submitted

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: | | |

EXPECTED AUGUST AND NOT BEFORE

14. **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

15. 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

LAST 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

EXPECTED SEPTEMBER AND NOT BEFORE

16. **Reference No:** 14/00089

Section 75 Agreement on Integrated Personal Health Budgets

Proposed decision:

- a) To agree that Kent County Council 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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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.

The matter referred is referred to in the Medium Term Capital Programme

DECISION DETAILS

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

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision status: Key

Reason: Financial Criteria Exceeded

Consultation

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

No additional consultation is planned or has been undertaken

To make representations and seek further information

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Supporting documents

17. **Reference No**: 14/00096

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 delegate 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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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.

Equalities Implications: 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.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Commercial & Traded Services

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision status: Key

Reason: Financial criteria exceeded

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 between October and December 2014 to secure their commitment to the new frameworks.

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 submitted

18. **Reference No**: 13/00095

Disposal of Residential Land adjoining Great Clayne Lane Farm, Gravesend

To seek agreement to the disposal of land at Great Clayne Farm, Gravesend

Following marketing and negotiations, the delegations implicit in the decision to dispose of the land and set out in the council's constitution will be utilised to enter into the necessary legal documentation to complete the disposal of residential land adjoining Great Clayne Lane Farm, Gravesend.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Key

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

FURTHER INFORMATION

Corporate objectives: The sale will secure 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 sale will allow the site to be developed and will therefore provide opportunities in the construction sector. This in turn will have a positive impact on the local economy.

Financial Implications: The decision will allow the receipt to 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.

Legal implications: None submitted Equalities implications: None submitted

Consultation

Local Members Colin Caller and Jane Cribbon will be consulted before the decision is taken and all members of the council notified

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Supporting documents

None submitted

19. **Reference No:**14/00093

New Primary School Provision - Various

To seek approval from the Cabinet Member to allocate capital funds from the Targeted Basic Need budget to create new schools in the following areas:

- New 1FE Primary School provision at Kings Hill;
- New 1FE Primary School provision at Leybourne Chase, (West Malling)
- New 1FE Primary School provision at Holborough Lakes, (Snodland)
- New 1FE Primary School provision in East Folkestone.
- New 2FE Primary School provision at Thistle Hill, (Isle of Sheppey)

Implications:

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Kev

Reason if key decision: Financial criteria exceeded

Exemptions: Financial information related to the new school builds will be exempt from publication under paragraph 3 of schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 until such time as there is no potential for detriment to the council's position from publication.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Capital: The accommodation required and associated costs are listed in section 4 of this report. **Human**: If required, the schools will appoint additional teaching and support staff at the appropriate time.

Financial: The costs given (exempt from publication) for individual projects are budget estimates and it is proposed that all projects are managed at a programme level within the overall Basic Need approved budget for 2014/15 and 2015/16

Legal Implications: Any implications will be contained in the report to the Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform (and therefore the report to the relevant Cabinet Committee) in order that he can make a fully informed decision.

Equality Implications: An Equality Impact assessment was completed as part of the consultation

http://consultations.kent.gov.uk

CONSULTATION

On 27 September 2013, Education Cabinet Committee received a report on Targeted Basic Needs Projects and the Committee endorsed the decision to be taken by the Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform to expand and build at the schools and in the areas identified.

The following electoral divisions are particularly affected by the proposals; Kings Hill, Malling, East Folkestone, Isle of Sheppey and local members will be consulted before the decision is taken.

To make representations and seek further information

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Supporting documents

None

20. Reference No: 13/00038

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 JTB's.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport & Environment

Date: Not before June 2013

Non-Key

FURTHER INFORMATION

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

Financial implications: None submitted

Legal implications: None submitted

Equalities implications: An Equalities Impact Assessment will not be conducted

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 during the February/March 2013 round of JTB meetings

The matter has been considered and endorsed by the Environment, Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee meeting on 10 January 2013

Report: https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s37515/ltem%20D3%20-%20JTBs.pdf
Minutes: https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s37515/ltem%20D3%20-%20JTBs.pdf
2013%2010.00%20Environment%20Highways%20and%20Waste%20Cabinet%20Committee.pdf?T=1

The matter and revised proposed decision will be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 September 2014.

All County Council Members will be informed before the decision is taken

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

None specified

21. Issue reference: 14/00020

This decision is relevant to SE LEP and KMEP

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 MAY 2014

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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Financial Implications: None submitted Legal Implications: None submitted Equalities Implications: None submitted

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 Environment, Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee with only minor comments received

Report: https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s37526/ltem%20D9%20-%20GwG2%20doc.pdf
Minutes: https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s4090/B2%20GwG%20FINAL%20V.pdf
The final draft was considered by the Environment Highways and Waste Cabinet Committee on 21 January 2014 https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s44690/B2%20GwG%20FINAL%20V.pdf

To make representations or request further information

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Supporting documents

22. **Reference No:** 14/00092

M20 Junction 4 - Eastern Overbridge Widening

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

FURTHER INFORMATION

Financial Implications: Covered under existing budget allocations

Legal Implications: None

Equality Implications: Detailed scheme design will consider equalities implications

The proposed decision helps to support existing businesses and encourages economic activity and job creation by improving accessibility as a result of reduced traffic congestion and improved safety.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Expenditure or savings of > £1m

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 September 2014

Stakeholder engagement exhibition planned after the development of the scheme outline design. Representations from local member, Sarah Hohler– Malling North, will be sought before any decision is taken.

To make representations and seek further information

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23. **NEW!** Reference No: 14/00091

A28 Chart Road Widening, Ashford

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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Financial Implications: Covered under existing budget allocations

Legal Implications: None

Equality Implications: Detailed scheme design will consider equalities aspect

Supports the objectives of supporting existing businesses, encouraging economic activity and job creation by improving accessibility by reducing traffic congestion and improving safety.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Expenditure or savings of > £1m

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 September 2014 Further consultation planned after the development of the scheme outline design.

Local members will be consulted:

Charlie Simkins – Ashford Rural West

Derek Smyth – Ashford South Jim Wedgbury – Ashford Central

To make representations and seek further information

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Supporting documents

24. NEW! Reference No:

SITTINGBOURNE HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND RECYCLING CENTRE & WASTE TRANSFER STATION REDEVELOPMENT

To seek approval for the redevelopment of Sittingbourne HWRC TS including the commitment of necessary resources

FURTHER INFORMATION

Kent County Council as the Waste Disposal Authority (WDA) owns the Waste Transfer Station (WTS) and co-located Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) in Gas Road, Sittingbourne. This is a strategic waste management facility providing the primary disposal point for a Waste Collection Authority's (WCA) kerbside collected residual waste, dry recyclate and food waste. In this instance the primary WCA is Swale Borough Council. The facility also provides a HWRC service for the residents of Sittingbourne and the surrounding areas. Trade and business wastes are also accepted on a commercial basis. The throughput for the facility in 2013/14 was 65,583 tonnes.

The facility is approaching the end of its designed life expectancy and is consequentially considered no longer "fit for purpose", in particular in relation to safety considerations concerning the deposit of multiple waste streams.

Financial Implications: This is a capital project identified in Waste Management's operating plans as a priority for 2014 -2016 (subject to obtaining Planning Approval and a variation to the Environmental Permit). This project is to maintain service continuity rather than reduce budget, however, the proposed investment in the site will provide additional capacity and future-proofing, and reduce short – medium term maintenance costs compared to the existing facility. By renewing the site, annual maintenance (revenue) costs can be avoided, estimated at £50k per annum.

The Capital allocation remaining on the scheme is £3.38m, for which this proposed decision seeks permission to expend. Whilst this sum is the maximum cost of the redevelopment of this site, the Waste Management team shall be actively exploring innovative alternative options which seek to reduce overall capital expenditure through working in partnership with stakeholders in the public and commercial sectors.

Legal Implications: The County Council is the Statutory "Waste Disposal Authority" (WDA) and is responsible for providing places for the "Waste Collection Authorities" (WCAs, i.e. districts / borough councils) to deposit their collected waste. The WDA is also obliged to provide places for householders to deposit their waste. The former is typically a "Waste Transfer Station", and the latter a "Household Waste Recycling Centre". This project is to deliver both of these facilities either in a single, or very proximate, location(s), and to offer sufficient flexibility and operability for the next 15 years. New statutory waste regulations, which take effect from January 2015, require that municipal waste is separated into a variety of fractions, and thus any municipal waste transfer station must be capable of enabling such separation in a safe and effective manner.

The Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1972 requires that the operation of such a site is conducted using safe working practices.

Equality Implications: An EqIA has been undertaken and will be provided with the September Cabinet Committee report.

The project seeks to put the customer at the heart of KCC's statutory Waste Disposal Authority (WDA) activities, and to maintain / improve the County Council's image and reputation

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Expenditure or savings of > £1m

CONSULTATION

This matter will be presented to 17th September 2014 Cabinet Committee

25.. **Reference No:** 13/00094

Gravesend Transport Quarter Phase 3 - Rathmore Road Link, Gravesend

To seek approval to take the highway improvement scheme at Rathmore Road through the next stages of development (Phase 3) including progression to Statutory Orders and entry into land and funding agreements.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Financial Criteria Exceeded

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be considered by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 September 2014

Representations will be sought from Local Members before any decision is taken: Local Members are:

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

26. **Reference No**: 14/00088

Proposal for the delivery of supported lodgings for Kent Care leavers

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.

Decision Details

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Financial criteria exceeded

FURTHER INFORMATION

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.

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

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.

Consultation

The proposed decision was considered and endorsed by Children's Social Care & Health Cabinet Committee on 9 July 2014. Report: https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s47285/C3%20-%20Supported%20Lodging%20Arrangements.pdf

Comments were supportive of the proposed recommendation to secure Supported Lodging provision through a short-term interim arrangement. Draft minutes:

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/g5636/Printed%20minutes%2009th-Jul-

2014%2010.00%20Childrens%20Social%20Care%20and%20Health%20Cabinet%20Committee.pdf?T=1

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Supporting documents

- Single Tender Action Memorandum agreed with Legal and Procurement [Link to be added]
- Paper to Cabinet Committee 9th July https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s47285/C3%20-%20Supported%20Lodging%20Arrangements.pdf
- Draft minutes of the 9th July Cabinet Committee meeting https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/g5636/Printed%20minutes%2009th-Jul-2014%2010.00%20Childrens%20Social%20Care%20and%20Health%20Cabinet%20Committee.pdf? T=1

27. Issue reference: 14/00079

Post Sexual Abuse Support Service

To agree the outcome of the Post Sexual Abuse Support Services Contract tender

DECISION DETAILS

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

Date: Not before August 2013

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision was considered and endorsed by the Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 9 July 2014

The providers of the relevant 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.

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Supporting documents

28. **Reference No:** 14/00090

Updating Policy for Financial Allowances for Children's Arrangements

To agree changes to the policy concerning financial allowances for children's arrangements.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The proposed decision will support the council's objective to improve services for the most vulnerable people in Kent.

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.

Legal Implications: The updated policy reflects current guidance and case law

Equality Implications: An appropriate equality impact assessment will be undertaken prior to the decisions being taken.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

Date: Not before September 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Significantly affects communities in 2 or more electoral divisions

CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be considered by the Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee 23 September 2014

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Supporting documents

None submitted

EXPECTED OCTOBER 2014 AND NOT BEFORE

29. Reference No:

Kent Commissioning Plan for Education 2015 - 2019

To seek the agreement of Cabinet to the proposed plan for education provision 2014-19.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Financial Implications: Following the outcomes of the consultations there may be changes to school provision in identified areas. The costs of this provision will be identified in the subsequent reports that will be considered by Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee.

Legal Implications: Following the outcomes of the consultation there may be changes to school provision in identified areas. The statutory framework within which such changes may be proposed will be identified in the subsequent reports that will be considered by Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee.

Equality Implications: These will be identified in the report that accompanies the proposed plan to be considered by Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee on 24 September 2014 and subsequent report to the Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform

Date: Not before October 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Significantly affects communities in 2 or more electoral divisions

CONSULTATION

The first annual Commissioning Plan For Education Provision 2012-17 was discussed by ECC in September 2012 and subsequently agreed by Cabinet on 17 September 2012. Each year the Plan is reviewed and discussed by the relevant Education Cabinet Committee before being brought to Cabinet for a final decision.

The updated commissioning plan for education provision will be discussed at Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee on 24 September 2014 and agreed by Cabinet on 13 October 2014

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Supporting documents

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EXPECTED NOVEMBER 2014 AND NOT BEFORE

30. 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.

Following the decision being taken, 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.

LAST 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

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Supporting documents

None specified

EXPECTED DECEMBER AND NOT BEFORE

31. NEW! Reference No:

Kent and Medway Broadband Delivery UK Project - Phase 2

To agree that delegated authority be granted to the Corporate Director, Strategic and Corporate Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economic Development and the Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform to:

- 1) Enter into a contract to deliver the Kent and Medway BDUK extension project
- 2) Enter into a grant agreement with BDUK to draw down the £5.6 million Government funding.

FURTHER INFORMATION

This project will build upon the work of the existing Kent and Medway BDUK project – by further extending the reach of superfast broadband service.

The current Kent and Medway BDUK project is working to bring superfast broadband of at least 24mbps to at least 91% of premises and ensure that every property in the project area will be able to access a standard broadband service of at least 2mbps by the end of 2015.

The government has recently awarded additional funding of £5.6 million as part of a new programme, which Kent County Council is matching, to extend the reach of superfast broadband services even further across Kent. We are currently working with BDUK, the government's agency for delivering broadband, to take this 'phase 2' project forward – which is aiming to ensure that at least 95% of properties across the UK can access superfast broadband services by 2017.

Financial Implications: The project will receive £5.6 million of Government funding which will be matched by KCC. **Legal Implications**: This decision will involve KCC entering into a grant agreement with Broadband Delivery UK (part of the Department of Culture, Media and Sport) and a contract with an infrastructure provider. **Equality Implications**: This project is about extending the reach of superfast broadband services and reducing

Equality Implications: This project is about extending the reach of superfast broadband services and reducing geographical inequalities in the access to superfast broadband infrastructure.

Transforming Kent and Medway's broadband infrastructure will be critical for delivering Kent's strategic ambitions as this project seeks to:

- Deliver economic growth by removing a significant barrier to development
- Support KCC's ambition to put the citizen in control by providing the infrastructure to support
 the transformation of public services especially channel-shift agendas and next generation
 assisted living technologies.
- Tackle disadvantage by increasing access to services and improving educational outcomes.

Furthermore through helping to reduce the need to travel by enabling greater home-working, this project will also contribute towards the delivery of a number of environmental outcomes around carbon reduction.

DECISION DETAILS

Decision Makers: Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform

Date: Not before December 2014

Decision class: Key

Reason if key decision: Exceeds financial criteria and significantly affects communities in 2 or more

electoral divisions

CONSULTATION

The first annual Commissioning Plan For Education Provision 2012-17 was discussed by ECC in September 2012 and subsequently agreed by Cabinet on 17 September 2012. Each year the Plan is reviewed and discussed by the relevant Education Cabinet Committee before being brought to Cabinet for a final decision.

The updated commissioning plan for education provision will be discussed at Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee on 24 September 2014 and agreed by Cabinet on 13 October 2014

EXPECTED JANUARY 2015 AND NOT BEFORE

32.. 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.

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Supporting documents

None specified

DATES TO BE CONFIRMED IN LINE WITH DISTRICT TIMETABLES

33.

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 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

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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