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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 or to request further information.

#### 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 which are not provided for within the approved budget or Medium Term Financial Plan
- (b) Adoption of major new policies not included in the Policy Framework (Constitution Appendix 3) or significant 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 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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#### FORTHCOMING EXECUTIVE DECISIONS LIST SUMMARY

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#### **NO LONGER REQUIRED**

Reference No: 14/00149 Key Yes Reason if Key Decision:

#### **Closure of Property Enterprise Funds 1 & 2**

Update: November 2016 -The decision is no longer required as the closure of the PEF's was a natural consequence of the decision to create the Property LATCO (GEN2).

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=32254&Opt=0

Approval by the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services and the Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement for the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support and the Director of Finance and Procurement to:

- 1. Close Property Enterprise Fund 1 and Property Enterprise Fund 2 with immediate effect.
- 2. Release the land and property currently held within the funds to be sold as part of KCC's main disposals programme and for those capital receipts to be used to support the Council's capital programme.
- 3. Instruct the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to consider a business case that supports a decision for a new Property Investment Fund.

The objective of the fund being to implement a KCC investment portfolio to support an income return from property assets and grow the property asset base so that KCC has a future disposal pipeline.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2014

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

The PEF1 and PEF2 are reported in the Medium Term Plan, however, the proposal to clsoe them is based upon them being identified as redundant funding mechanisms snce the introduction of the Corporate Landlord and

improvement in market conditions; closure of the funds will result in reporting and procedural efficiency.

This decision relates to the transfer of assets from one fund vehicle to the main disposals programme and as such there is no need to consult.

An initial assessment has identified that there is no equalites impact

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#### **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 14/00151

**Key** Yes

Reason if Key Decision: Financial

and significance criteria met

#### **Community Learning and Skills - Facing the Challenge Review**

Update: November 2016 – A decision is no longer required as it was not considered desirable on review to proceed to a LATCO. Instead the service is internally commissioned and no decision will be taken.

To seek agreement to creation of a local authority trading company (LATCo) that will enter into a commissioning arrangement with KCC to deliver Community Learning and Skills (CLS) services.

Members on the Transformation Advisory Group and the Transformation Board considered a number of options for the future of CLS. This is in line with Facing the Challenge review (Market Engagement and Service Review), which will see CLS operating as a shadow LATCo rehearsing practices and features of a legal entity, e.g. financial accounting and governance arrangements. An evaluation of this phase will inform the design elements of the final legal framework within which the LATCo will operate.

**Financial Implications**: Funding contracts for learning and skills from central government are anticipated to be subject to reduction for the foreseeable future. This decision seeks to give the service the freedoms and flexibilities it needs to operate in a more commercial approach, in order to maximise income generation, preserve the service and minimise financial risks to KCC. **Legal Implications**: LATCO to be setup with agreed memorandum and articles of association and commissioned to deliver the CLS service. Staff would need to be TUPE'd into the new organisation.

**Equality Implications:** Full EQUIA has been done and will be live throughout the process.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet **Expected Date:** July 2015

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Financial and significance criteria met

#### **CONSULTATION**

Service Heads within CLS have ensured the workforce has been fully informed of the plans and have been involved in the development of the commercial approach.

Formal consultation over TUPE will be managed in the normal way.

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#### Supporting documents

Reference No: 15/00057 Key Yes Reason if Key Decision:

## Drainage and local flood risk policy statement to support new statutory role

Update: November 2016 – This proposed decision was added before legislation was approved and anticipated an element of discretion in the services that KCC may wish to provide. Once introduced, the legislation created statutory duties and therefore no decision was required to adopt them.

A discretionary charge has been introduced for the statutory service and a separate decision was taken to introduce it. The decision can be viewed here: <a href="https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryChronology.aspx?IId=43383&Opt=2">https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryChronology.aspx?IId=43383&Opt=2</a>

Adoption of policy statement

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet **Expected Date:** January 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

A consultation will take place from 10 June to 24 July 2015

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#### Supporting documents

# Reference No: Key Yes Reason if Key Decision: This decision is considered as a key decision owing to the length of the lease, in accordance with the Council's Property Management Protocol

#### Lawn Primary School, Gravesend - New Playing Field

Cabinet Member will be asked to agree that KCC to take a long lease of 99 years at a nominal rent from Lafarge to facilitate expansion of school roll. Lafarge to create new playing field and to maintain subsoil thereafter.

The Playing Field is being delivered as part of a s106 Agreement being a contribution to mitigate the impact of adjacent development of 510 homes upon Lawn Primary School and free up space on the existing Lawn PS site to enable expansion of the existing school buildings from 1FE to 2FE.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

**Expected Date:** Not before March 2015

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

This decision is considered as a key decision owing to the length of the lease, in accordance with the Council's Property Management Protocol

#### CONSULTATION

The proposed Cabinet Member decision will be considered by the Property Sub-Committee at its meeting scheduled 27 March 2015

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#### Supporting documents

Reference No: 13/00095	Key Yes
	Reason if Key Decision: Financial criteria
	is likely to be exceeded

## Disposal - Residential Land adjoining Great Clayne Lane Farm, Gravesend.

To seek approval for 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.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

**Expected Date:** Not before October 2015

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Financial criteria is likely to be exceeded

#### CONSULTATION

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

#### Further information or to make representations

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#### **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 14.00022 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

#### Former Shepway Resource Centre, Folkestone - Disposal

#### LATEST UPDATE:

19/05/2014 - 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.

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

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

**Expected Date:** Not before October 2015

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

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

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

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#### **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 15/00110 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

## Inter Authority agreement between KCC and Gravesham Brough Council

To enter into an inter authority agreement to increase levels of recycling and reduce the disposal costs for KCC

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

Expected Date: Not before January 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee will discuss the proposed decision at its meeting on 13 January 2016.

#### Further information or to make representations

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#### **Supporting documents**

PRoD - Inter Authority agreemnt between KCC and GBC Report - Inter Authority agreement between KCC and GBC Appendix A

Reference No: 15/00010 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

15/00010 - Supported Accommodation in a Family Environment Service (SAiFE) for Older Children in Care and Care Leavers (previously known as Supported Lodgings for Kent Care Leavers)

**Proposed decision**: To agree to award a new contract for the delivery of a Supported Accommodation in a Family Environment Service for older Children in Care and Care Leavers.

How the decision relates to Corporate Objectives: This activity is an element of the wider 0-25 transformation programme, including accommodation and support for 16-25 year old Children in Care, Care Leavers and vulnerable young people relating to Facing the Challenge Phase 2.

**Financial Implications:** The total lifetime (i.e. up to 48 months) value of the Contract is approximately £1,343,904. Costs are broken down into three areas; support, housing and management fees.

#### Support for young person paid to hosts

Support levels	Weekly Cost
Support* - Standard	£140
Support* - Complex	£240
Support* – Intensive	£300

#### Housing costs

Fixed at £50 per week if the young person is aged 16 or 17 (ineligible to claim Housing Benefit). Housing is paid from Housing Benefit if the young person is aged 18 or over and paid directly to the Host by the young person.

Monthly management fees

Based on demand, as follows:

Demand ( number of arrangements)	Monthly Contract Price*
< 150 Arrangements per Month	£20,291
150 – 400 Arrangements per Month	£27,998
> 400 Arrangements per Month	£32,872

**Legal Implications:** Spending the Council's Money expects procurement to be competitive.

KCC has a statutory duty to provide suitable and safe accommodation that has the right level of support for Children in Care in accordance with the Children's Act 1989.

**Equality Implications:** An EQIA assessment for the wider Children in Care, Care Leavers and Vulnerable Young People service 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.

An EQIA has also been completed for the new Supported Accommodation in a Family Environment Service, which highlights the increase in provision to meet the needs of young people.

The matter is referred to in the Children's Commissioning Business Plan 2015-16.

3 October 2016: NOTE - this was previously known as, and listed on the Forward Plan of Forthcoming Executive Decisions, as 'Proposal for the delivery of Supported Lodgings for Kent Care Leavers (decision number 15/00010)' the information above this note relates to the revised proposal.

**Proposed decision:** To award a new contract to deliver Supported Accommodation in a Family Environment for Kent's older Children in Care, Care Leavers and vulnerable young people.

[It was previously envisaged that a current contract would be extended by single source tender but this is no longer the case] [Decision updated 1 October 2015]

#### Financial Implications:

The budget for the contract consists of two parts; management costs, and support costs, as detailed below. The tender is requesting bids of no more than £350,000 for the management costs. Support costs to Hosts varies, but is expected to be in the region of £1,500,000, based on figures from 2014-15.

Cost Area	Total
Management costs (fixed cost inclusive of all	£350,000

non-host related costs):	
Host Costs (monies paid to hosts, based on provision against baseline as set 04.09.14):	£1,500,000
Total:	£1,850,000

Therefore, the value of any new contract for the required service is not expected to be £1,850,000

#### **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 equality impact assessment (EQIA) for the wider Children in Care and Care Leavers service 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. An EQIA has also been completed for the new Supported Accommodation in a Family Environment Service, which highlights the increase in provision to meet the needs of young people.

#### How the decision relates to Corporate Objectives:

This activity is an element of the wider 0-25 transformation programme, including accommodation and support for 16-25 year old Children in Care, Care Leavers and vulnerable young people relating to Facing the Challenge Phase 2.

The matter is referred to in the Strategic Commissioning Business Plan 2015-16.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

**Expected Date:** Not before November 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

In April 2015 Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee were informed of the intention to extend arrangements with the current providers through a Single Source Tender. The committee gave its general support to the principle of extending the existing arrangements. However, subsequent consideration resulted in the agreement to follow a formal procurement exercise. This procurement exercise will commence on 9th October when the tender documents will be published on the Kent Business Portal.

**Other consultation planned or undertaken:** A total of 81 providers responded to an anonymous market engagement survey conducted in May 2015. Of the 81 that responded 28 were Supported Lodgings providers. A Procurement Information

Notice (PIN) has been published on the Kent Business Portal to gain market understanding regarding delivery of this service. 17 providers expressed an interest on the Kent Business Portal.

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#### **Supporting documents**

#### NOT BEFORE JULY BY CABINET MEMBER

Reference No: 16/00058 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

#### Re-location of KCC Services from Dover Gateway

Re-location of KCC services and commissioned services currently delivered from Dover Gateway to an alternative location.

The KCC services provided from Dover Gateway are:

- Kent Supported Employment
- Health Trainer Service
- Life Choice Independent Living
- Occupational Therapy Service
- Blue Badge Assessments
- Community Wardens
- Smoking Cessation
- Hi Kent
- KCC General Enquiries

This decision relates to the location from which these services are delivered no other changes are proposed. .

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

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

Transformation

Expected Date: Not before July 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

Between 21st March and 12th June, a public consultation was held on the future location of the KCC services currently accessed from the Dover Gateway. The consultation focussed on identifying how customers and our partners would be impacted if a decision was made to relocate KCC services from this Gateway in July 2017.

KCC welcomed feedback regarding the site identified in Dover for the potential relocation of services.

The public consultation included 5 drop in sessions where KCC staff were in the Gateway to answer questions. These were held on the following dates;

 Friday 1 April 10.30am to 12.30pm

 Monday 18 April 2pm to 4pm

 Tuesday 3 May 10.30am to 12.30pm Wednesday 18 May 10.30am to 12.30pm

• Thursday 2 June 2pm to 4pm

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Item B1 - appx d - Dover Proposed Record of Decision

Item B1 - appx a - Dover Gateway Consultation Document

Item B1 - appx b - Dover PR Item B1 Item B1 - appx c - Dover Gateway EqIA

**Reference No: 16/00054 Key** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

#### **Proposal to enlarge Maidstone Grammar School, Barton** Road, Maidstone, Kent ME15 7BT

Proposal to enlarge Maidstone Grammar School, Barton Road, Maidstone. Kent ME15 7BT from one form of entry thereby increasing the PAN from 180 to 210 secondary school places from September 2018.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker: Expected Date:** 

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

On 15 December 2015 the Education Cabinet Committee endorsed The Commissioning Plan for Education Provision 2016-20, which identified a need for additional secondary places in the Maidstone District. The proposal to expand Maidstone Grammar School to provide 175 additional selective secondary schools places to meet the predicted future demand in the Maidstone District.

At its meeting on 1 July 2016, the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee at its meeting RESOLVED endorsed the proposed decision

Further information or to make representations		
Lead officer:	Lead Director:	
Supporting documents		
Reference No: 16/00052	Key Yes Reason if Key Decision:	
<b>Children and Young People Me Agreement</b>	ntal Health Service Section 76	

To agree that Kent County Council will enter into Section 76 arrangements (under the NHS Act 2006) for the purpose of jointly procuring a mental health service for children and young people including children in care and integrated provision within the heath needs pupil referral units, and to delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Social Care, Health and Wellbeing or other nominated officer to undertake the necessary actions to enter into the S76 arrangements.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

Expected Date: Not before July 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

The Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee have been consulted and regularly updated on the development of the Emotional Wellbeing Strategy, CAMHS procurement and development of the service specification.

The proposed decision will be discussed at the Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee meeting on 5 July 2016

#### Further information or to make representations

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#### **Supporting documents**

#### NOT BEFORE AUGUST BY CABINET MEMBER

Reference No: 16/00060 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

#### 16/00060 - Family Support Service Commissioning

To make the award of contracts for the Family Support Service.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

**Expected Date:** Not before August 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

The matter was discussed at the Cabinet Committee Meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016

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#### **Supporting documents**

Report Procurement Family Support Service July 2016

#### **NOT BEFORE SEPTEMBER BY CABINET MEMBER 2016**

Reference No: 16/00073	Key Yes Reason if Key Decision:	
16/00073 NEET Service Contract Award		
To award a contract to the successful bidder following a tender exercise for the EYPS NEET Service		
DECISION DETAILS		
Decision Maker: Expected Date:		
FURTHER INFORMATION		
CONSULTATION		
To be discussed by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee in the Autumn.		
Further information or to make repre	sentations	
Lead officer:	Lead Director:	
Supporting documents		
Reference No: 16/00085 Key Yes Reason if Key Decision:		
16/00085 - Proposal to expand Portal House School, Sea Street, St Margaret's at Cliffe, Dover, CT15 6SS		
Proposed decision: to redevelop and expand the Portal Hol	use Special School by 20 places on its	

to redevelop and expand the Portal House Special School by 20 places on its current location; to allocate an extra £1.39m from the Education, Learning and Skills budget to the project; to authorise the Director of Infrastructure, in consultation with the Director of Governance and Law, to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council; and to authorise the Director of Infrastructure to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts. Variations to contract value to be no more than 10% above the capital funding agreed by the Cabinet Member without requiring a new Record of Decision.

The proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015-2020)' and is in line

with Kent strategies and in particular the following Supporting Outcomes:

- All children and young people are engaged, thrive and achieve their potential through academic and vocational education
- Kent young people are confident and ambitious with choices and access to work, education and training opportunities

#### Financial Implications:

The increased costs to this project will be outlined in the report that will be considered by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee.

Legal Implications:

Any legal implications will be explained in the report to the Cabinet Member prior to him taking his decision.

**Equality Implications:** 

The Equality Impact Assessment will be reviewed.

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The matter is referred to in the Business Plan/Medium Term Capital Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

Decision Maker: Expected Date:

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

The redevelopment and expansion proposal was discussed by the Education Cabinet Committee on 14 March 2014.

The redevelopment and expansion is highlighted in the Commissioning Plan for Education Provision In Kent 2016-2020. This document was discussed at Education & Young People's Services Cabinet Committee on 15 December 2015 and was endorsed by the Cabinet Committee on 21 March 2016.

#### Further information or to make representations

Lead officer:	Lead Director:
Supporting documents	

#### NOT BEFORE OCTOBER 2016 BY CABINET MEMBER

Reference No: 16/00090 Key No Reason if Key Decision:

### 16/00090 - Local Account Annual Report for Adult Social Care 2015/16

Proposed decision: To approve the Local Account for Adult Social Care (April 2015 to March 2016)

How the decision relates to Corporate Objectives

Need to ensure the continued delivery of cost effective Adult Social Care Services in line with the Strategic Statement – Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes.

Financial Implications: There will be a cost implication to the production and distribution of the Local Account, but this will be managed with the budget planning forecast.

Legal Implications: None

**Equality Implications: None** 

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health

**Expected Date:** Not before October 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be discussed by the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 11 October 2016.

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Supporting documents	
Reference No: 16/00098	Key Yes
110101010011011011000000	Reason if Key Decision:

## 16/00098 - 'Your Life, Your Well-being' - a vision and strategy for Adult Social Care, 2016 - 2021

Proposed decision: To approve the 'Your Life, Your Well-being' as the Vision and Strategy for Adult Social Care 2016-2021, with the supporting Accommodation Strategy for Adult Social Care and the Community Support Market Position Statement.

How the decision relates to Corporate Objectives:

Two out of the three KCC Strategic Outcomes are key driving outcomes for the strategy. These are:

- 1. Older and vulnerable residents are safe and supported with choices to live independently', together with the following supporting outcomes:
  - Those with long-term conditions are supported to manage their conditions through access to good quality care and support
  - People with mental health issues and dementia are assessed and treated earlier and are supported to live well
  - More people receive quality care at home avoiding unnecessary admissions to hospital and care homes
  - The health and social care system works together to deliver high quality community services
  - Residents have greater choice and control over the health and social care services they receive
- 2. Also, the strategic outcome 'Kent communities feel the benefits of economic growth by being in-work, healthy and enjoying a good quality of life', together with the following supporting outcome:
  - Physical and mental health is improved by supporting people to take responsibility for their own health and wellbeing.

#### Financial Implications:

The financial implications associated with the implementation of the strategy are broadly contained in the Medium Term and Financial Plan 2016-19 and the specific allocation for the adult social care portion out of the Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Directorate budget.

#### Legal Implications:

None, other than the main responsibilities for Adult Social Care which are defined in the Care Act.

#### Equality Implications:

An equality impact assessment has been completed, which has been updated using the findings of the consultation. It should be noted that, due to the relatively low number of responses, it has not been feasible to break down the information by respondent type in detail. The Equality Impact Assessment

has been kept under review throughout the development of the Strategy and will be fully considered when the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health makes the decision to approve the Strategy.

The matter is referred to in the Business Plan/Medium Term Capital Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

The proposed decision was discussed at the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee Meeting on 11 October 2016 and will be again on 6 December 2016, prior to the Cabinet Member taking the decision. The outcome of that meeting will be included in the paperwork which the Cabinet Member will be asked to sign.

The issue will also be discussed by the County Council on 8 December 2016.

Other consultation planned or undertaken:

There will be formal consultation with KCC Members and staff, partner organisations and other stakeholders. There will also be an online consultation open to everyone, and tailored messages to staff, service users and partners to encourage them to participate. The purpose of this engagement is to seek views from all interested parties.

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#### Supporting documents

1600098 PRoD Your life, your well-being

1600098 report - Your life, your well-being

report Appendix B - Your life, your well-being

report Appendix 1 - Your life, your well-being

report Appendix 2 v2

report Appendix 3 - Your life, your well-being table of consultation activities

report Appendix 4 - Your life, your well-being orgs written response

report Appendix 5 - Your life, your well-being Executive Summary

report Appendix 6 - Your life, your well-being You Said We Did

report Appendix 7 - Your life, your well-being EQIA - Final Draft

#### NOT BEFORE NOVEMBER 2016 BY CABINET MEMBER

**Reference No:** 16/00107 **Key** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

## 16/00107 Recycled Regional Growth Fund - The Kent and Medway Business Fund

To delegate to the Director of Economic Development the authority to launch a new scheme on behalf of KCC to invest recycled RGF loan repayments to eligible organisations in the Kent & Medway area;

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Economic Development

**Expected Date:** Not before November 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

#### Further information or to make representations

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#### **Supporting documents**

PROD (3)

Report- RGF schemes v.2 27.09.16 FINAL

**Reference No:** 16/00070 **Key** Yes

Reason if Key Decision:

## **COMMISSIONING PLAN FOR EDUCATION PROVISION 2017-**21

To agree the proposed plan for education provision 2017-21

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

**Expected Date:** Not before November 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### 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.

This will be discussed by Education and Young People's Service's Cabinet Committee on 23 November 2016

Individual consultations will be taken out on each proposal if required

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#### Supporting documents

Reference No: 16/00099 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

## 16/00099 Proposal to increase the designated number at Oakley School and extend the lower age range to allow the admission of pupils from the age of 2

The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform is asked to consider and endorse the recommendations to:

- Increase the designated number of places offered at the School (from 218 to 242) and extend the lower age range of Oakley in order to allow the admission of pupils from age 2 for the 1st September 2017.
- ii. Allocate the budget from the Education and Young People's Services capital budget (full details to be provided within the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee Report)
- iii. Enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council
- iv. Authorise the Director of Infrastructure to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts.

How the decision relates to Facing the Challenge and Corporate Objectives

This proposal will help to secure the ambition "to ensure that Kent's young people have access to the education, work and skills opportunities necessary to support Kent business to grow and be increasingly competitive in the national and international economy" as set out in 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015 2020)'.

The Commissioning Plan for Education Provision in Kent 2016-2020 sets out how the County Council will carry out its responsibility for ensuring there are sufficient places of high quality, in the right places, for all learners, and this proposal supports that aim to provide sufficient places where they are needed.

Financial Implications: The costs tof this project will be outlined in the report that will be considered by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee.

Legal Implications: Any legal implications will be identified in the report to the Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform before the decision to agree the capital expenditure required to provide the school with additional accommodation.

Equality Implications: An Equality Impact Assessment will be produced and will be accessible on line via the following link: www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations .

The matter is referred to in the Business Plan/Medium Term Capital Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

**Expected Date:** Not before November 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

15 December 2015 - The Commissioning Plan for Education Provision 2016-20 was endorsed by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee prior to the final version being considered and approved by Cabinet on 21 March 2016.

Other consultation planned or undertaken:

An Education consultation commenced on 12 September 2016 and will close on 10 October 2016. Further information is available on the School Consultation webpage: http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/OakleySchool

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#### **Supporting documents**

1600099 - PROD

1600099 - Oakley Report

**Reference No:** 16/00100 **Key** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

#### 16/00100 Proposal to expand Harrietsham CEP School

The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform is asked to consider and endorse the recommendations to:

- Expand Harrietsham Church of England Primary School, West Street, Harrietsham, Kent ME17 1JZ, from 210 places to 420 places, increasing the published admission number (PAN) from 30 to 60 for Year R entry in September 2018.
- ii. Allocate the budget from the Basic Needs budget (full details to be provided within the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee Report)
- iii. Enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council
- iv. Authorise the Director of Infrastructure to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts.

How the decision relates to Facing the Challenge and Corporate Objectives

This proposal will help to secure the ambition "to ensure that Kent's young people have access to the education, work and skills opportunities necessary to support Kent business to grow and be increasingly competitive in the national and international economy" as set out in 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015 2020)'.

The Commissioning Plan for Education Provision in Kent 2016-2020 sets out how the County Council will carry out our responsibility for ensuring there are sufficient places of high quality, in the right places, for all learners, and this proposal supports that aim to provide sufficient places where they are needed.

Financial Implications: The costs of this project will be outlined in the report that will be considered by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee.

Legal Implications: Any legal implications will be identified in the report to the Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform before the decision to agree the capital expenditure required to provide the school with additional accommodation.

Equality Implications: An Equality Impact Assessment will be produced and will be accessible on line via the following link: www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations.

The matter is referred to in the Business Plan/Medium Term Capital Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

**Expected Date:** Not before November 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

the proposed decision will be discussed on 23 Nov

#### Further information or to make representations

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#### **Supporting documents**

**Reference No:** 16/00101 **Kev** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

#### 16/00101 - Proposal to expand Marden Primary School

The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform is asked to consider and endorse the recommendations to:

- Expand Marden Primary School, Goudhurst Road, Marden, Tonbridge, Kent, TN12 9JX, from 280 places to 420 places, increasing the published admission number (PAN) from 40 to 60 for Year R entry in September 2018
- ii. Allocate the budget from the Basic Needs budget (full details to be provided within the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee Report)
- iii. Enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council
- iv. Authorise the Director of Infrastructure to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts.

How the decision relates to Facing the Challenge and Corporate Objectives

This proposal will help to secure the ambition "to ensure that Kent's young people have access to the education, work and skills opportunities necessary to support Kent business to grow and be increasingly competitive in the national and international economy" as set out in 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015 - 2020)'.

The Commissioning Plan for Education Provision in Kent 2016-2020 sets out how we will carry out the County Council's responsibility for ensuring there are sufficient places of high quality, in the right places, for all learners and this proposal supports that aim to provide sufficient places where they are needed.

Financial Implications: The costs of this project will be outlined in the report that will be considered by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee.

Legal Implications: Any legal implications will be identified in the report to the Cabinet

Member for Education and Health Reform before the decision to agree the capital expenditure required to provide the school with additional accommodation.

Equality Implications: An Equality Impact Assessment will be produced and will be accessible on line via the following link: <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations">www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations</a>.

The matter is referred to in the Business Plan/Medium Term Capital Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

**Expected Date:** Not before November 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

15 December 2015 - The Commissioning Plan for Education Provision 2016-20 was endorsed by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee prior to the final version being considered and approved by Cabinet on 21 March 2016.

Other consultation planned or undertaken:

An Education consultation commenced on 23 September 2016 and will close on 21 October 2016. Further information is available on the School Consultation webpage: <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations">www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations</a>

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#### Supporting documents

Reference No: 16/00125 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

## 16/00123 Endorsement of the Kent Minerals and Waste Safeguarding Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for public consultation

Agreement of approach to adhoc funding for Pothole repair and maintenance

KCC as a local Highways Authority, was awarded a once off capital sum of £1.47m by central government for the permanent repair or prevention of potholes. This sum will be supplemented by an additional £1.7m through 2016-17, to enable a comprehensive approach to the fixing of potholes and other ad hoc highways works which would otherwise not meet our intervention

criteria. In 2016-17 a network of local suppliers has been compliantly procured through CSKL to deliver this campaign, in order to ensure cost effective, high quality and accountable delivery across the County.

In order to allow for a nimble and cost effective response to the availability of short-term additional funding, a decision is sought to agree the approach for future funding and provide delegated authority to the Director of Highways, Transportation and Waste to identify and accept future funding of the same nature and award such contracts to CSKL and/or other suppliers for relevant highway works.

The proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015-2020)' by supporting the strategic outcome: Kent communities feel the benefits of economic growth by being in-work, healthy and enjoying a good quality of life, and the supporting outcome: Kent business growth is supported by having access to a well skilled local workforce with improved transport, broadband and necessary infrastructure

- Financial Implications
   All contract expenditure will be dependent upon available funding being confirmed by the Corporate Director Finance & Procurement, or their authorised agent.
- Legal Implications: All relevant procurements will be carried out in full compliance with the mandatory rules and processes that must be complied with when spending money on behalf of the council.
- Equalities implications: An initial screening has not highlighted any equalities issues around this decision.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Environment & Transport Cabinet Committee

Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport **Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

The Environment & Transport cabinet Committee will consider the matter at its meeting on 17 November 2016

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#### **Supporting documents**

**Reference No:** 16/00115 **Key** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

## 16/00115 - HT&W Soft Landscape Service -Re-procurement and award of Rural Swathe and Visibility Contract(s)

HT&W Soft Landscape Service - Re-procurement and award contract(s) for rural swathe and visibility.

The current contract expires on 31 March 2017. Extension options have been considered by all parties but not considered viable in this instance. Accordingly, in order to ensure a seamless service remains in place a new procurement is required. Ongoing procurement enables market testing and ensures that the rates KCC pays of the work are competitive and reflective of the current market.

The commissioning of all work streams within the soft landscape services was considered, debated and agreed by the Strategic Commissioning Board on 4 July 2016. A broad range of commissioning solutions was considered by the board. The re-procurement of the Swathe and Visibility contract is in accordance with the board's decision.

Rural Swathe and visibility cutting is a safety critical service that keeps Kent's roads moving and assists economic growth.

The annual spend is estimated at £300k per annum and will continue to be funded from the soft landscape budget. The proposed contract length will be three years with an option to extend the contract for up to two years, one year at a time. Should KCC decide to run the contract for the full term, including extensions, total expenditure would be in the region of £1.5m

There are no significant legal constraints. Standard procurement risks would apply

Equality implications were considered during the analyse phase of the commissioning cycle. No significant impacts were identified through the reprocurement of the services.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Environment & Transport Cabinet Committee

Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport **Expected Date:** Not before November 2016

### **FURTHER INFORMATION** CONSULTATION Further information or to make representations Lead officer: **Lead Director:** Richard Diplock, Soft Landscape Roger Wilkin, Director of Highways, Asset Manager Transformation and Waste roger.wilkin@kent.gov.uk Tel: +443000413479 Supporting documents **Reference No:** 16/00068 Key No Reason if Key Decision: **Highway Asset Management** To approve the document "Our Approach to Asset Management in Highways" for publication on the County Council website. **DECISION DETAILS Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport **Expected Date:** Not before August 2016 **FURTHER INFORMATION CONSULTATION** Further information or to make representations Lead officer: **Lead Director:** Alan Casson, Operations Manager Roger Wilkin, Director of Highways, alan.casson@kent.gov.uk Transformation and Waste Tel: 01622 221896 roger.wilkin@kent.gov.uk Tel: +443000413479 **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 16/00120	Key Yes
	Reason if Key Decision:

#### 16/00120 Sub National Transport Board for the South-East

KCC Membership of a shadow Sub- National Transport Body for the South East known as Transport for the South East (TfSE)

The Cities and Local Government Devolution Act makes provision for the establishment and constitution of Sub-National Transport Bodies (SNTBs) for any area in England (outside of Greater London. An SNTB can prepare a Transport Strategy for an area which would set out proposals for the promotion and encouragement of safe, sustainable, integrated, efficient and economic strategic transport facilities and services to and from the area of the SNTB.

The South East Seven (SE7) Councils (Kent, East Sussex, West Sussex, Hampshire and Surrey County Councils, and Brighton & Hove City Council and Medway Council) and the Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) that represent the area have discussed the establishment of an SNTB for the South East, to be called Transport for the South East (TfSE). A TfSE on this geographic scale would fulfil the DfT's minimum geographic size requirements. Discussions will shortly commence with Portsmouth, Southampton and the Isle of Wight and the Solent LEP about joining TfSE.

The proposed TfSE would enables authorities to influence national and regional infrastructure providers, helping to secure the infrastructure required to support continuing economic growth. A TfSE would see Government, South East Transport Authorities and/or Combined Authorities and LEPs working together with Highways England, Network Rail and port, airport and bus operators. TfSE would require strategic transport providers to take account of its priorities.

TfSE would provide a mechanism for the area to speak with a strong, common voice on transport infrastructure and provide a single platform for strategic transport and infrastructure issues, giving partners greater, and potentially direct, influence over decisions that are currently made elsewhere. Its key outcome will be the development of a single, strategic transport infrastructure framework which would align the investment programmes from key agencies, such as Highways England, Network Rail and the LEPs.

#### **Options**

- Do nothing and not engage in the development of the SNTB for the Southeast.
- Set up the SNTB for Kent and Medway, but this would not be supported by DfT
- Engage in the development of the Shadow SNTB Board and Transport Strategy for the Southeast

How the proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015-2020)'

The cornerstone of TfSE is the Transport Strategy. It will build upon existing Local Transport Plans, including Kent's Local Transport Plan 4: Delivering Growth without Gridlock, currently out to consultation, and evidence already in place amongst the constituent Authorities, including the LEP's Strategic Economic Plans and growth and infrastructure frameworks/studies being undertaken by a number of upper-tier Authorities, including the Kent and Medway Growth and Infrastructure Framework. In this way, the decision would support the Council's second strategic outcome, "Communities benefit from economic growth by being in work, healthy and enjoying a good quality of life."

### **Financial Implications**

It is estimated that appropriate support for developing the shadow SNTB and the overarching Transport Strategy would total £200,000 of which KCC's contribution is £20,000.

# **Legal Implications**

There are no direct legal implications of the recommendations in this report, although should an TfSE SNTB be established by the Secretary of the State following the work set out in this report, then there would be legal implications arising from the establishment of the SNTB which itself would be a body corporate.

#### **Equalities implications**

There are no equality implications to establish the Shadow TfSE

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

Before progressing a proposal for an SNTB, he constituent authorities must consult on the boundary proposals and it is proposed that the shadow SNTB undertakes this consultation.

The proposal is being discussed at the meeting of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 November 2016

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# **Supporting documents**

1600120 PROD

1600120 Subnational Transport Board

**Reference No:** 16/00079 **Key** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00079 - The Shared Accommodation Service for Children in Care and Care Leavers

To seek approval to re-award an interim contract to deliver the Shared Accommodation Service for Children in care and Care Leavers Aged 16-21 from 1 March 2017 to 28 February 2018 (16/00079).

The County Council has a statutory duty to provide suitable and safe accommodation that has the right level of support for Children in Care (including UASC) and must also accommodate16 and 17 year old children in need (in accordance with Section 20 of the Children's Act 1989), a child / young person to whom Bail has been denied and children remanded to local authority accommodation (RLAA) and 16 and 17 year old Care Leavers (Relevant).

The County Council must provide Care Leavers (including former UASC) with support and financial support to assist in promoting their welfare, especially in relation to maintaining suitable accommodation and promoting education and training.

This activity is an element of the Facing the Challenge 0-25 transformation programme (16-25 Accommodation Programme).

Financial Implications: The value of these contracts is £1.8 million; however, spend for 2015/16 was approximately £3.3m. This service is largely funded from the Home Office grant.

Legal Implications: The 'Spending the Council's Money' policy expects procurement to be competitive, and the Council's default position regarding competition is that competition is required for all purchases. However, a number of special circumstances exist where this may not be applicable or possible, e.g. the purchasing of adult and children's services is 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 16-25 Accommodation Programme has been undertaken with supplementary focus on this specific action. The EQIA supports the intention to diversify provision according to individual needs of service users.

The matter is referred to in the Directorate's Business Plan/Medium Term Capital Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

**Expected Date:** Not before November 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

The proposed decision was considered and endorsed by the Children's Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 10 November 2016.

## Further information or to make representations

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## **Supporting documents**

#### **NOT BEFORE DECEMBER 2016 BY CABINET MEMBER**

Reference No: 16/00095 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00095 - extension of current Community Sexual Health service contracts

Proposed decision: To seek authority to extend the current contracts for community sexual health services for up to two years, as provided for in the contracts, up to March 2019.

The decision will ensure services are commissioned in line with identified need to deliver corporate priorities on prevention, improved public health and better value for money.

Financial Implications:

The maximum combined value of the additional two year contract extensions is £18,633.200.

Legal Implications: None

Equality Implications: None.

The matter referred to in the Business Plan/Medium Term Capital

Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

The proposed decision will be discussed by the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 11 October 2016.

#### Further information or to make representations

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## **Supporting documents**

**Reference No:** 16/00136 **Key** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00136 - Corporate Equality Objectives 2016-2020

The Equality Act 2010 created the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) which requires all public authorities to have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination
- Advance equality of opportunity and;
- Foster good relations

In addition to this, public authorities must set specific equality objectives every four years and report against them annually. KCC's current equality objectives were approved in September 2012.

Setting equality objectives is a statutory duty of The Equality Act 2010 Sec.149. There are no financial implications beyond business as usual activity that services must take into consideration as part of the PSED.

## **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Expected Date: Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

## **CONSULTATION**

Early engagement activity: December 2015 – March 2016

Formal consultation: July 2016 - September 2016

The Policy & Resources Cabinet Committee approved the approach to refreshing the equality objectives on the 11 December 2015. Further

consultation with Policy & Resources Cabinet Committee will take place at the meeting scheduled for 2 December 2016.

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# Supporting documents

1600136 report 1600136 ROD 1600136 App1 1600136 App 2 1600136 Appendix 3

Reference No: 16/00121 **Kev** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00121 Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan - Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS)

To agree changes to the current MWDS

# **Background**

Under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, (as amended), the County Council must prepare a Mineral and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS). This is a project plan that includes a timetable for preparing local plan documents for minerals and waste management development over the next three years. The MWDS assists the programming of Public Examinations undertaken by an independent Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State and allows the public to know when and at what stage they can be involved. The last revision to the MWDS was published in July 2014.

A revision is now required to show an updated timetable for preparing the Kent Minerals and Waste Sites Plans which will allocate land for the future development of waste management and minerals supply facilities.

The update reflects the Council's adoption of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2013-2030 in July 2016. The previous MWDS has anticipated adoption by April/May 2015 but the independent examination of the Plan took longer than expected, largely due to the need for two rounds of consultation on modifications recommended by the examination inspector.

In addition, during the examination of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2013-2030, the Inspector recommended that the Council publish separate guidance on its approach to the safeguarding of minerals resources and supply facilities as well as to waste management facilities. It is therefore necessary for the Council to prepare a separate guidance document, known formally as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), to cover these matters.

The revised MWDS sets out the timetable for the preparation of the SPD and notes the preparation of the updated Statement of Community Involvement.

# How the proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015-2020)

The MWDS sets out the timescale for the Mineral and Waste Sites Plans and the Safeguarding SPD. These will reflect the policies in the Kent MWLP, which itself supports and aids delivery of a number of corporate and partnership strategies. In particular, they will underpin corporate policies contained within the Strategic Statement 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes – Kent County Council's Strategic Statement 2012-2020' by supporting and facilitating new growth in the Kent economy, and the creation of a high quality built environment.

In addition, the Sites Plans have a role to play in the delivery of the Kent Environment Strategy, the Joint Municipal Waste Strategy and the Kent and Medway Growth and Infrastructure Framework.

#### **Financial Implications**

The costs of preparing the Kent MWDS are included in the Environment, Planning and Enforcement Division's budget. There is an expectation by Government (DCLG) that all planning authorities have an up to date local plan in place. Without an adopted plan, there is a risk that DCLG will step in as the plan making authority, reducing local accountability.

#### **Legal Implications**

The County Council has a legal obligation under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) to prepare a Minerals and Waste Development Scheme setting out how planning documents concerning minerals and waste developments will be prepared. The revised Kent MWDS has been prepared to ensure compliance with this legislation

#### **Equalities implications**

Equalities Impact Screening of each of the documents set out in the Minerals and Waste Development Scheme will be undertaken and Equalities Impact Assessments of the documents screened as requiring assessment will be carried out.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

The draft revised Minerals and Waste Development Scheme has been discussed informally by an informal Members Group for the Kent MWLP appointed by the Cabinet Member. It is due to be considered at the 17 November 2016 Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee.

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## **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 16/00122 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00122 - Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan - Minerals and Waste Site Identification and Selection Methodology including Call for Sites

Endorsement of the Site Identification and Site Selection Methodology to assess the suitability of sites for allocation in the Kent Minerals and Waste Sites Plans and to support the 'call for sites' exercise that forms the initial part of the preparation of the Sites Plans work.

The County Council has a statutory responsibility to plan for future minerals supply and waste management within Kent as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework 2012 (NPPF) and the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014 (NPPW). The Council discharges this responsibility via the preparation and adoption of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan and the supporting Minerals and Waste Site Plans.

The Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2013 – 2030 (Kent MWLP) was adopted in July 2016 and outlines the spatial vision and strategic objectives as well as the mineral supply and waste capacity requirement for the Plan period. It also provides the framework and policy context for the Site Identification and Selection Methodology (the Methodology). With the exception of 2 strategic sites, the Kent MWLP does not allocate sites for development. This is the

purpose of the Minerals and Waste Sites Plans. The adopted Kent MWLP expects suitable sites to be allocated in the separate Kent Minerals and Waste Sites Plans.

The Sites Plan work is a key part of the plan-making process and results in sites being allocated for mineral supply or waste management purposes. As planning application decisions are determined in accordance with the development plan (which includes the Sites Plans), the Plans have an important role to play in the management of future development. The Sites Plan process includes a 'call for sites' from landowners and operators who have sites potentially capable of meeting the Kent MWLP Strategy requirements, along with proactive work to identify further suitable sites. Submitted and identified sites are then considered against an assessment process in order to identify potential site allocations for public consultation and, subsequently, formal examination by an independent planning inspector appointed by the Secretary of State.

A detailed methodology for site identification and assessment and the information to be sought from landowners and operators has been prepared based upon the Kent MWLP strategy, Government guidance and good practice. This is supported by a pro-forma setting out the information required from landowners and operators to enable assessments to be made.

# How the proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015-2020)

The Site Identification and Selection Methodology reflects the policies in the Kent MWLP which itself supports the County Council's corporate policies contained within the Council's Strategic Statement 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes – Kent County Council's Strategic Statement 2015-2020'. The Methodology will support and facilitate new growth in the Kent economy and support the creation of a high quality built environment, with accessible local services that reflect the community's needs and support its health, social and cultural well-being. In addition, the Sites Plans have a role to play in the delivery of the Kent Environment Strategy, the Joint Municipal Waste Strategy and the Kent and Medway Growth and Infrastructure Framework

#### **Financial Implications**

The costs of preparing the Methodology and 'call for sites' assessment are included in the Environment, Planning and Enforcement Division's budget. There is an expectation by Government (DCLG) that all planning authorities have an up to date local plan in place. Without an adopted plan, there is a risk that DCLG will step in as the plan making authority, reducing local accountability.

#### **Legal Implications**

The County Council is required by national planning policy to ensure that local plans safeguard mineral resources and minerals and waste development. The delivery of a SPD will play an important role in ensuring that development in Kent has proper regard to safeguarding matters and that local planning authorities can deliver their obligation pursuant to the National Planning Policy

Framework (para. 143).

# **Equalities implications**

The County Council has a legal obligation under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) to prepare and adopt a development plan for mineral and waste planning matters. The Minerals and Waste Sites Plans and the supporting Methodology form a key part of this obligation.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

# CONSULTATION

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#### **Supporting documents**

**Reference No:** 16/00123 **Key** Yes

Reason if Key Decision:

# 16/00123 Endorsement of the Kent Minerals and Waste Safeguarding Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for public consultation

To endorse the Kent Minerals and Waste Safeguarding Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for public consultation.

National planning policy requires local plans, including those prepared by the Borough and District Councils, to safeguard mineral resources, minerals production and transportation infrastructure, and waste management facilities. This safeguarding plays an important role in sustainable development, supports economic growth and our quality of life, and ensures that there is sufficient waste capacity to manage Kent's waste arising. It ensures that mineral and waste management resources are considered when determining planning applications and allocating sites for development within local plans.

The Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2013-30 (MWLP) was adopted by Full Council in July 2016. Within the Plan are a number of policies concerning minerals and waste safeguarding to ensure that development does not sterilise natural mineral resources, or compromise the capacity and operation of minerals and waste management and transportation infrastructure. Whilst minerals and waste planning falls within the remit of the County Council, safeguarding is the responsibility of all planning authorities within Kent. When considering a planning application or proposing a local plan allocation, borough and district authorities must have due regard to whether it will compromise natural mineral resources or any other existing or planned minerals or waste development. Applicants also need to be aware of safeguarding when compiling a planning application or promoting sites for potential allocation.

As a result of this responsibility, the Local Plan Examination for the Kent MWLP recognised the need for the County Council to produce a safeguarding supplementary planning document (SPD) following the adoption of the Kent MWLP. The Planning Inspector supported this approach in his report on the MWLP Plan (April 2016). The SPD sets out in detail the process that should be followed by the County Council, the borough and district councils and applicants when dealing with applications and local plan allocations that have implications for minerals and waste safeguarding. Importantly, the SPD does not create new policy; it simply provides guidance on the implementation of the adopted policies that have already been adopted within the MWLP.

Safeguarding issues were a key matter at the Kent MWLP Examination with representations from some borough councils, developers, landowners and the mineral industry. In February 2016, a workshop was held to discuss implementation matters regarding the safeguarding policies and how best to address these in a SPD. Those parties who had responded at the Examination Hearing, along with additional borough and district councils, were invited to the workshop and had the opportunity to shape a working draft of the SPD. This version was subject to further informal discussion with an Informal Members Group for the Kent MWLP appointed by the Cabinet Member.

In order that the SPD can be adopted and be used in the decision-making for planning applications and plan making, public consultation is required

How the proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015-2020)

The SPD supports the objectives within the adopted Kent MWLP which support a number of the County Council's Strategic Statement Objectives including ensuring that Kent's physical and natural environment is protected, enhanced and enjoyed by residents and visitors; the provision of a steady and adequate supply of minerals to support well planned housing growth and supporting the essential role that mineral and waste planning play in providing Kent residents with a good quality of life, and enabling economic growth.

# **Financial Implications**

The costs of preparing the SPD included in the Environment, Planning and Enforcement Division's budget. There is an expectation by Government (DCLG) that all planning authorities have an up to date local plan in place. Without an adopted plan, there is a risk that DCLG will step in as the plan making authority, reducing local accountability.

# **Legal Implications**

The County Council is required by national planning policy to ensure that local plans safeguard mineral resources and minerals and waste development. The delivery of a SPD will play an important role in ensuring that development in Kent has proper regard to safeguarding matters and that local planning authorities can deliver their obligation pursuant to the National Planning Policy Framework (para. 143).

# **Equalities implications**

The MWLP was subject to a detailed EqIA. The safeguarding SPD does not create new policy. It provides further guidance on the implementation of the adopted policy and as such is adequately covered by the Kent MWLP EqIA. It therefore presents no equalities implications

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

# CONSULTATION

An informal workshop was held in February 2016 with those parties who had responded to the Examination Hearing on safeguarding matters including representatives from the development industry, borough councils and the mineral industry. The working draft of the SPD was subject to further informal discussion with an Informal Members Group for the Kent MWLP appointed by the Cabinet Member.

The SPD will be discussed by Members of Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 November 2016.

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# Supporting documents

1600123 PROD Appendix A 1600123 Report Final 1600123 Appendix -Draft SPD

**Reference No:** 16/00130 **Kev** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00130 Introduction of a pre-application charging scheme for sustainable urban drainage advice

# **Background**

In 2015, the County Council became a statutory consultee to the planning authorities in Kent responsible for providing technical advice on surface water management including sustainable drainage matters. This includes consultation for full and outline applications as well as secondary consultation in relation to reserved matters, discharge of conditions and variations. This advice is considered as part of the determination of planning applications

As a result of the new consultee role, a number of 'potential developers' are seeking pre- application advice from the County Council on SuDs matters prior to the submission of a planning application to the borough and district councils.

This discretionary engagement provides an opportunity to shape development at an early part of the development process and can lead to quicker decision making and higher quality development.

Providing this service will obviously cost the authority in staff time and other resource. Unlike other parts of the GET Directorate and other local authorities, the cost of this pre-application advice is currently not met by the developer. However, with current financial pressures on the public purse, it is proposed that the service seeks to recover its costs.

# How the proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes

The decision will underpin policies within the Strategic Statement 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes by supporting and facilitating new growth in the Kent economy and the creation of a high quality built environment. In addition, the work has a role to play in the delivery of the Kent Environment Strategy and the Kent and Medway Growth and Infrastructure Framework.

# Financial implications:

The proposal would recover the costs of providing pre-application advice to developers on sustainable drainage matters.

# **Legal Implication**

The Local Government Act 2003, section 93 enables local authorities to

charge for discretionary planning services.

#### **Equalities Implications**

An Equalities Impact Assessment (EQIA) has been undertaken to support the work. It concluded that the introduction of the charging scheme is unlikely to have any specific adverse or positive impacts upon the identified ten characteristics

## **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

Expected Date: Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

The proposed scheme is to be discussed at the Kent Developers' Group in December 2016.

The proposal will also be discussed at the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee on 17 November.

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# **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 16/00124 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00124 Statement of Community Involvement for Kent Minerals and Waste Plan and Planning Applications determined by the County Council

To endorse the revised Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) for public consultation and to authorise the Corporate Director for Growth, Environment and Transport to publish the Statement of Community Involvement for public consultation

#### **Background**

Kent County Council is required to have in pace a Statement of Community

Involvement (SCI) setting out how the community can influence planning application decisions for mineral and waste management development and community projects determined by the County Council and its work in preparing a Mineral and Waste Sites Plan including any future Plan reviews. These Sites Plans are part of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan (Kent MWLP) which was adopted by the County Council in July 2016.

The work associated with the Minerals and Waste Sites Plans and planning applications has potential implications for both residents and businesses within Kent. It is therefore important that the SCI is up to date and tailored to suit the needs of Kent's communities.

A SCI for the plan making and planning application functions of the County Council was first produced in 2006 and was replaced in 2011. Addendum documents partially refreshed the document in 2013 and 2014 to reflect legislation and Kent MWLP timescale changes. With the adoption of the Kent MWLP and the new focus on the Mineral and Waste Sites Plans work, revisions to planning applications processes and a shift towards greater electronic engagement, a further refresh of the SCI is required. The revised SCI will continue to provide opportunities for community involvement in planning matters and enable public consultation to be carried out in an efficient and effective manner.

# How the proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015-2020)

The revised SCI will ensure that the County Council engages, involves and consults with its communities to support the evidence base for delivering sound planning decisions and the Kent MWLP Site Plan work. These activities support the County Council's Strategic Statement across all objectives, but particularly Strategic Outcome 2 – Kent Communities feel the benefits of economic growth by being in work, healthy and enjoying a good quality of life.

#### **Financial Implications**

The costs of preparing the SCI are included in the Environment, Planning and Enforcement Division's budget. There is an expectation by Government (DCLG) that all planning authorities have an up to date local plan in place. Without an adopted plan, there is a risk that DCLG will step in as the plan making authority, reducing local accountability.

#### **Legal Implications**

The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (s18) requires the County Council to produce an SCI.

#### **Equalities implications**

The SCI seeks to ensure that all sectors of the community are able to engage with the planning application and plan making processes on mineral and waste management mattes undertaken by the County Council. An EqIA will be

undertaken to support the SCI work

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

# **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

The draft document has been discussed informally by an informal Members Group for the Kent MWLP appointed by the Cabinet Member. The SCI is to be discussed at the 17 November 2016 Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee, and subject to its views and that of the Cabinet Member, public consultation is to be undertaken in the Autumn.

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# **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 16/00116 Key Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00116 - Working Together to Improve Outcomes: Kent Children and Young People's Framework 2016 - 2019

Proposed decision: The approve the adoption of "Working Together to Improve Outcomes", the new Kent Children and Young People's Framework 2016 – 2019, as Kent's partnership strategy for children and young people.

How the decision relates to Corporate Objectives

The Children and Young People's Framework will work to tackle disadvantage whilst encouraging Kent's young people to make the most of opportunities to learn and prepare for their future. It will also enable work at district level, engaging between local and county wide partnership groups to ensure that local service development matches local need.

Financial Implications: None

Legal Implications: Under the Children's Act 2004, Kent County Council has a duty to ensure that partner organisations in Kent co-operate to improve outcomes for children and places responsibility upon the Council to put in

place arrangements to support collaboration

The Children and Young People's Framework supports Kent County Council in the collaboration and the delivery of partnership working within the districts to enable a local response to issues impacting the lives of the children and young people of Kent.

Equality Implications: There are no equality implications associated with this decision as there is no change to any policy or eligibility criteria.

The matter referred to the Directorate's Business Plan/Medium Term Capital Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Specialist Children's Services

**Expected Date:** Not before December 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

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#### **Supporting documents**

B4 - App 1 - PROD Children and Young People's Framework 2016-2019

B4 - Working Together to Improve Outcomes

B4 - App 2 - Kent Children and Young People's Framework 2016-2019

#### **NOT BEFORE JANUARY 2017 BY CABINET MEMBER**

**Reference No:** 16/00093 **Key** Yes

**Reason if Key Decision:** 

# 16/00093 - East Kent Drug and Alcohol Services

Proposed decision: To award the contract for East Kent drug and alcohol services to a provider decided by competitive tender, with the contract to commence on 3rd April 2017.

The decision will support corporate objectives by completing a planned and

well-managed competitive tendering of the East Kent Drug and Alcohol service. This will ensure services are commissioned in line with identified need, to deliver corporate priorities on prevention, improved public health and better value for money.

Financial Implications: In excess of £20m over the life of the contract

Legal Implications: None

Equality Implications: None.

The matter is referred to in the Directorate Business Plan/Medium Term Capital Programme.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health

**Expected Date:** Not before January 2017

# **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

The matter will be discussed by the Adult Social Care and Health Cabinet Committee on 11 October 2016 and 6 December 2016. At the latter, the Cabinet Committee will have the opportunity to comment on the proposed decision.

The outcomes of these meetings will be included in the paperwork which the Cabinet Member will be asked to sign when taking the decision.

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# **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 16/00114	Key Yes
	Reason if Key Decision:

16/00114 Proposal to expand Palmarsh Primary School, St Georges Place, Hythe CT21 6NE

#### Proposed decision:

- 1. To expand Palmarsh Primary School to 1FE;
- 2. To authorise the Director Infrastructure in consultation with the Interim General Council to enter into any necessary contracts/agreements on behalf of the County Council;
- 3. To authorise the Director Infrastructure to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts. Variations to contract value to be no more than 10% above the capital funding agreed by the Cabinet Member without requiring a new Record Of Decision: and
- 4. To authorise the Corporate Director Education and Young People's Services to issue Public Notice to expand the school.

The project is in line with Kent strategies and in particular the following Supporting Outcomes:

- All children and young people are engaged, thrive and achieve their potential through academic and vocational education
- Kent young people are confident and ambitious with choices and access to work, education and training opportunities

# Financial Implications:

The costs to this project will be outlined in the report that will be considered by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee.

#### Legal Implications:

Any legal implications will be explained in the report to the Cabinet Member prior to him taking his decision.

#### **Equality Implications:**

Equality Implications: An Equality Impact Assessment will be produced before the start of the consultation process and will be accessible on line via the following link:

www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations

# **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

**Expected Date:** Not before January 2017

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

The expansion is highlighted in the Commissioning Plan for Education Provision In Kent 2016-2020. This document was discussed at Education & Young People's Services Cabinet Committee on 15 December 2015 and was endorsed by the Cabinet Committee on the 21 March 2016.

The school held an Education Consultation on the proposed enlargement in September 2016. A pre-planning consultation was also held in the Autumn of 2016.

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Supporting documents

#### NOT BEFORE MARCH 2017 BY COUNTY COUNCIL

Reference No: 14/00020 Key Yes
Reason if Key Decision:

# Local Transport Plan 4 (now incorporating Growth Without Gridlock refresh)

#### 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.

To approve the content of Growth without Gridlock in Kent and Medway report. This summarises the achievements of the past three years since the launch of Growth without Gridlock and outlines priorities for delivery to 2021 for Kent and

Medway, thus reflecting the federated geography of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** County Council **Expected Date:** January 2017

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **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 this proposed decision.

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**Supporting documents** 

#### **DECISION DATES - VARIOUS**

Reference No: 14/00068 Key Yes

Reason if Key Decision: Financial

Criteria Exceeded

Property Disposals at Dumpton Park Drive, Broadstairs and Freemen's Way, Deal

Update 25/01/2016 – The decision to dispose of land at Dumpton Park Drive is ready to be taken separately from the others advertised in this package. It has been published separately at 14/00068(b) and can be viewed by clicking on the link below.

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?lld=36174&Opt=0

Update – October 2015

Negotiations continue regarding both disposals.

It is not expected that decisions will be taken before December 2015

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Update – 09/03/2015 - Date changed to 'not before' June 2015.

Dumpton Drive: Extensive consultation has been carried out with the School and Education Department regarding the Dumpton Park Drive and a planning pre application has been successfully submitted. Outline Planning will be submitted within next 3 months with a view to marketing site 'subject to planning' once the application has been submitted.

Freeman's Way: Extensive consultation has taken place between KCC and Dover District Council's Estates team and a planning pre application will be submitted in March 2015, if successful, KCC will submit outline planning application prior to marketing the site 'subject to planning'.

Update - 01/12/2014 – The decision to dispose of land at London Road, Westerham is ready to be taken separately from the others advertised in this package. It has been published separately at 14/00068(a) and can be viewed by clicking on this link.

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=32262&Opt=0

Reference to the land has been removed from this issue but the 28 day statutory publication for the intention is deemed to have been fulfilled as part of this original entry.

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 Dumpton Park Drive, Broadstairs and Freemen's Way, Deal in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services.

Stock Lane, Wilmington, previously listed as part of this decision has been withdrawn.

London Road, Westerham, previously listed as part of this decision has been deleted and is now at 14/00068(a)

This decision 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 in line with the Property Policy.

The impact of the decision will be that the receipt will be achieved as quickly as possible should planning permission be granted, to ensure that the capital programme is delivered and to minimise holding costs. Without the decision, KCC will be unable to respond to offers in a timely fashion without losing the prospective purchaser. This would affect the delivery of the capital programme and increase holding costs.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Corporate & Democratic Services

Expected Date: Not before December 2015

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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.

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# **Supporting documents**

Reference No: 15/00093 Key Yes
Reason if Key Decision:

# North Kent School Expansion Programme 2016-2017

The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform is asked to consider and endorse the recommendations to:

- (i) Allocate funds from the Education and Young People's Services Basic Need Budget in order that the proposals may go ahead:
- a. Enlarge Hextable Primary School in Sevenoaks, from 2FE to 3FE for September 2016
- b. Enlarge Seal Church of England (VC) Primary School in Sevenoaks, from 1FE to 2FE for September 2016
- c. Enlarge Weald Primary School in Sevenoaks, from a PAN of 20 to a PAN of 30 for September 2016
- d. Enlarge Wentworth Primary School ()Academy) in Dartford, from a PAN of 70 to a PAN of 90 for September 2016
- e. Enlarge Singlewell Primary School in Gravesham, from 1FE to 2FE for September 2016
- f. Enlarge Brent Primary School (Academy) in Dartford, from 2FE to 3FE for September 2016
- g. Enlarge Craylands Primary School in Dartford, from 1FE to 2FE for September 2016
- h. Enlarge Dartford Bridge Primary School , Dartford, from 2FE to 3FE for September 2016
- i. Enlarge Fleetdown Primary School in Dartford, from 3FE to 4FE for

#### September 2016

- j. Enlarge Tymberwood Academy in Gravesham from 2FE to 3FE for September 2016
- k. Enlarge Copperfield Academy in Gravesham, from 2FE to 3FE for September 2016
- I. Enlarge Westcourt Primary School in Gravesham, from 1FE to 2FE for September 2016
- m. Extend the year groups to include 2FE of primary provision, making St George's CE School an all-through provision from 2017
- n. Enlarge Churchill Primary School in Sevenoaks, from a PAN of 50 to a PAN of 60 for September 2017
- (ii) 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
- (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.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform **Expected Date:** Between November 2015 and September 2016

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### CONSULTATION

The proposals will be presented at three separate Cabinet Committees over the next 6-8 months as the results of the public consultations are received.

School consultations can be found at: www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations

The following Members and electoral divisions will be affected by these decisions:

Hextable Primary School, Cllr Robert Brookbank, Swanley Seal Church of England (VC) Primary School, Cllr Nick Chard, Sevenoaks East

Weald Primary School, Cllr Nick Chard, Sevenoaks East Wentworth Primary School (Academy), Cllr Jan Ozog, Dartford West Singlewell Primary School, Cllr Colin Caller & Cllr Jane Cribbon, Gravesham East

Brent Primary School (Academy), Cllr Penny Cole, Dartford East Craylands Primary School, Cllr Peter Harmon, Swanscombe & Greenhithe Dartford Bridge Primary School, Cllr Tom Maddison, Dartford North Fleetdown Primary School, Cllr Penny Cole, Dartford East Tymberwood Academy, Cllr Colin Caller & Cllr Jane Cribbon, Gravesham

East

Copperfield Academy, Cllr Narinderjit Thandi and Cllr Sue Howes, Northfleet

#### & Gravesend West

Westcourt Primary School, Cllr Colin Caller & Cllr Jane Cribbon, Gravesham East

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# **Supporting documents**

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#### **Reference No: 12/01923**

Individual plans will be numbered 12/01923 (a) (b) (c) etc.

Canterbury Local Transport Plan

#### **Key** Yes

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.

# **Local Transport Strategies - Approval - Various.**

# Update July 2015 Decision taken

#### **Update June 2015**

Proposed decision published for comment 24 June 2015

#### **Update April 2015**

Decision considered and endorsed by the April 2015 Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee

Decision deferred as issues brought to the attention of the Cabinet Member during the proposed decision publication period are resolved.

## Update 17 February 2015:

Proposed decision to endorse the principles set out in the Canterbury Local Transport Plan published.

#### Update 4 February 2015:

The Canterbury Local Transport Strategy was considered and the principle endorsed by the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee in December 2014. A formal

decision will now be taken by the Cabinet Member which will set out the terms of the support for the strategy.

To agree various local transport strategies.

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 2015. 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.

#### **DECISION DETAILS**

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport **Expected Date:** Between February 2015 and February 2017

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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

#### **Canterbury LTS:**

The Canterbury LTS was considered by the Canterbury JTB in October 2014 and the KCC Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee in December 2014.

The agenda, papers and minutes can be viewed on the Canterbury City Council website by clicking the link below:

http://democracy.canterbury.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=126&Mld=9769&Ver=4

Alongside the Local Plan regulation 18 and 19 consultations conducted by the District Councils, the each Local Transport Strategy will be considered by the relevant JTB and the KCC Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee before being formally agreed by the Cabinet Member.

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# **Supporting documents**

#### **DEFERRED**

Reference No:	Key Yes
	Reason if Key Decision:

# **Sandwich Highways Depot**

#### **Update 09/03/2015:**

DEFERRED: The disposals team at KCC are currently working on new plans for the site in order to ensure that the maximum value is secured; surveys are being carried out with a view to marketing the site in the future dependent on the outcome of those surveys.

### 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.

To seek approval to proceed with the disposal of the above site to raise a capital receipt which will be allocated to support the capital programme.

To seek approval to identify and progress with the acquisition of a new site for the service.

The Director of Property and Infrastructure Support will be authorised to finalise terms for both the disposal and acquisition of a new site.

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.

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 **Expected Date:** 

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

#### **CONSULTATION**

The matter was considered by the Property Sub Committee of the Policy and resources Cabinet Committee at its meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2013. The proposed decision was endorsed by the Committee.

The report to committee was exempt from publication and consideration of it took place in private.

Public minutes can be viewed by clicking on the link below:

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/g5176/Printed%20minutes%2027th-Feb-2013%2014.00%20Property%20Sub-Committee.pdf?T=1

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# Supporting documents

Reference No: 12/020231 Key No

**Reason if Key Decision:** Not a key

decision

#### **Eden Centre Lease**

#### 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.

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To seek agreement to the principle of granting a long lease to a charitable community interest company or similar vehicle, of The Eden Centre, Four Elms Road, Edenbridge.

The proposal directly links to Bold Steps for Kent, 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.

The impact of the decision will be that KCC will have less control of the management and operation of the centre as they would become the responsibility of a third party.

#### Risks identified are:

- Reliance on the professionalism of the trustees to deliver a successful facility, agreeing with all partners a financial model for the charitable vehicle
- Reputational damage to KCC if the charitable vehicle were to fail
- Obtaining 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 a new facility
- Continued KCC ownership of a non-core asset
- Officers may be unable to get agreement from stakeholders, charitable vehicle
  does not prove 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 **Expected Date:** 

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Not a key decision

#### **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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