

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Brian Sweetland, Cabinet Member for Enterprise and Environment

DECISION NO.

11/01754

If decision is likely to disclose exempt information please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

Subject: Authority to make a Compulsory Purchase Order in respect of land at Brunswick Road, Ashford

Decision:

To make a compulsory purchase order for land at Brunswick Road, Ashford for the provision of a waste transfer station to serve Ashford area; and to delegate to the Corporate Director of Enterprise and Environment and the Director of Law and Governance the authority to execute the compulsory purchase order or to acquire the land by informal negotiation.

Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken

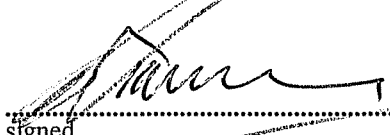
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Reason(s) for decision, including alternatives considered and any additional information

Under the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, KCC, as waste disposal authority, has a duty to arrange the disposal of controlled waste collected in its area by the waste collection authorities. In the Ashford Borough Council area there is currently no waste transfer station where waste for recycling and final disposal can be transferred into bigger lorries ('bulked-up') for onward haulage. The waste from Ashford is currently transported in the waste collection vehicles to the Allington Energy from Waste plant and other destinations. There are financial, logistical and environmental consequences of this as haulage in the smaller collection vehicles is inefficient, time consuming and affects the environment to a greater degree.

Since 2007/8 KCC has been searching for a potential waste transfer station site in Ashford and many sites have been identified but proved unsuitable for a range of reasons. KCC already operates a Household Waste Recycling Centre at Brunswick Road, Ashford, and there is an adjacent piece of land already owned by KCC. The piece of land which is subject to the CPO will enable the provision of the necessary access and weighbridge for the new waste transfer station, and enable better and safer access to the HWRC part of the site for the public. KCC is currently undertaking informal negotiations with the owners to purchase the land in question. It is essential for KCC to obtain the land either by negotiation or by compulsory purchase so that the transfer station can be provided.

Background Documents: NONE


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