KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Bryan Sweetland, Cabinet Member Environment, Highways and Waste

DECISION NO. 12/01906

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Subject: Fees & Charges for Highways & Transportation

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways & Waste I agree the following as set out in the report and supporting appendix to EHW Cabinet Committee on 4 July 2012:

- (a) The adjustment of existing Highways & Transportation charges
- (b) Fees and charges for statutory or contractual services
- (c) The introduction of proposed new chargeable services

Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken

None received

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

- (1) The EHW Cabinet Committee report (4 July 2012) detailed a number of proposed adjustments to the Fees & Charges for the services provided by Highways & Transportation. KCC recovered its reasonable costs of supplying certain services; which prevented the Authority subsidising services where external organisations re-charge clients. Most of the existing service fees & charges had been held at the same level for the last 3 years whilst inflation had exceeded 4% per annum. Despite some efficiency savings and relatively small staff salary increases, the cost of providing the services had increased. If fees did not cover KCC's costs then services would need to be reduced or stopped all together. A copy of the full schedule of Fees & Charges was attached as Appendix 1 to the report. It detailed existing charges, statutory or contractual services and proposed new chargeable services.
- (2) Subject to approval for all highway charges, a revised schedule of the Fees & Charges will be published on the KCC website. The new rates will apply from 1 September 2012 and will be further reviewed each financial year.
- (3) Environment, Highways & Waste Cabinet Committee on 4 July 2012 RESOLVED that:
 - (a) the adjustment of existing charges as set out in Appendix 1 of the report, be endorsed;
 - (b) the fees and charges for statutory or contractual services be noted; and
 - (c) the Cabinet Member be recommended to introduce the proposed new chargeable services.

signed FOR LEGAL AT

date: 18 JU19 2012

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YES		NO		

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Decision to Refer				
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Reconsideration				
YES		NO		

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YES		NO	

Reconsideration of Decision Published