

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Paul Carter - Leader

DECISION NO:

13/00088

For publication

Subject: New Combined Member Grant Scheme

Decision:

As the Leader of Kent County Council, I agree to introduce a single Member Grant Scheme (MGS), consisting of £25k per Member (£2.1m in total) and to cease the following grant schemes:

Member Grants
Local Schemes Grant
Capital Scheme Grants
Member Highway Fund

The new Member Grant Scheme will take effect from 1st April 2014.

Reason(s) for decision:

Currently Members have access to £3.52m of delegated grant funds and in light of the real financial pressure the authority faces, there is a commitment to deliver a more pragmatic and cost effective grant scheme, while continuing to allow Members to react to local priorities that perhaps do not form part of the Council's core focus.

The new Member Grant Scheme's budget will be £2,100,000, which is an annual saving to KCC of £1.32m.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

To be entered after the meeting and considered by the Cabinet Member when taking the decision.

Any alternatives considered:

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

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signed

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date