KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: Mr David Brazier – Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport

DECISION NO:

14/00104

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Subject: Highways Winter Service Policy for 2014/15

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport, I approve the Highways Winter Service Policy for 2014/15.

Reason(s) for decision:

Each year Highway Operations reviews the Council's Winter Service Policy and the operational plan that supports it in light of changes in national guidance and lessons learnt from the previous winter.

The Winter Service Policy is supported by an operational Plan which has been updated in line with the Policy and discussions have been had with our contractor Amey to ensure that plans are aligned.

The following revisions to KCC's Winter Service Policy have been made this year:

- (a) Primary routes have been optimised leading to greater efficiency and effectiveness of the service
- (b) The ice prediction service has been put out to tender for a three year contract
- (c) A trial with some farmers salting key routes through villages in addition to ploughing

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

On 17th September 2014 the Environment & Transport Cabinet Committee endorsed the proposed changes to the Winter Service Policy for 2014/15.

The report to the Environment & Transport Cabinet Committee and Winter Policy can be found at the following link:

https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=831&Mld=5644&Ver=4

Any alternatives considered:

None – the Winter Service Policy is reviewed and refreshed on an annual basis.

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

None