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To: Kent Utilities Engagement Sub-Committee 27 January 2017
Subject: Southern Water
Classification: Open

Summary: Southern Water is a major water company operating in Kent and will be attending the Committee to provide information and respond to questions.

Introduction

1. Paul Kent is attending to provide information on the company's operations in Kent and to answer questions from the committee
2. Paul Kent, as the Environment and Wastewater Strategy Manager for Southern Water, is accountable for the following:
 - Identifying expenditure requirements of above and below ground wastewater assets.
 - Maintaining and improving performance.
 - Agreeing environmental improvements required to meet legislative drivers.
 - Developing an integrated catchment approach to delivering environmental improvements.
 - Identifying future investment requirements arising from development and growth in the southeast.

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3. Southern Water is owned by Greensands Investments Limited, a consortium made up of pension and infrastructure funds.
4. Southern Water take nearly 70% of its water from underground sources, called aquifers, 23% from rivers and 7% from storage reservoirs. Each day, it treats and recycles 718 million litres of wastewater at 365 treatment works after it is pumped through a network of 2,375 pumping stations and 39,600km of sewers.
5. Further information relating development and planning for growth may be found in the attached documents.

Recommendations:

Members are asked to note the presentation and information provided by Southern Water.

The Committee may require further information be provided by relevant KCC departments and it may request further information from Southern Water.

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Appendices:

Southern Water – Map of Operations

Southern Water – Planning for Future Growth

Background Information:

Southern Water – Strategic Statement 2015-40
<https://www.southernwater.co.uk/strategic-direction-statement>