

## KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

### DECISION TAKEN BY

**Mike Whiting, Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways,  
Transport and Waste**

### DECISION NO:

19/00069

#### For publication

#### Key decision\*

Yes –

**Subject:** Provision of a new Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) to serve the needs of Tonbridge and Malling Borough and West Maidstone Residents

#### Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport & Waste, to award a contract for a new Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) to serve the needs of Tonbridge and Malling Borough and West Maidstone.

#### Reason(s) for decision:

The HWRC serving Maidstone at Tovil has reached its practical capacity. The capacity issues are associated with the large catchment of the Tovil site and are compounded by the fact that the residents of Tonbridge and Malling Borough do not have a HWRC within its administrative area.

Additional pressures will also be placed upon the Tovil site when the current agreement for Kent residents to use the Medway Council facility at Cuxton ceases in November 2020. It is for these reasons that a new HWRC facility to serve these areas residents is required.

#### Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The proposal will be discussed by Members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 10 October.

#### Any alternatives considered:

Options - It is considered that there are three delivery model options available for this project;

1. New HWRC to be a "Turn Key" delivery, with KCC to pay a management (gate) fee.
2. A new site to be identified, HWRC services to be procured, designed and constructed by KCC (under Contract) and subsequently operated by a third-party provider.
3. Redevelopment of suitable existing industrial premise / site, planning and permitting to be agreed to provide a new HWRC that would be operated by a Contractor.

Following an options appraisal assessment, option 1 was considered to be the preferred delivery model for this project.

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

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