

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – 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, I agree to:

- award a contract for a new Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) to serve the needs of Tonbridge and Malling Borough and West Maidstone and
- to take action as required to endeavour to retain access to Medway HWRC for Kent residents until the new facility is ready.

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 was discussed and endorsed, 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;

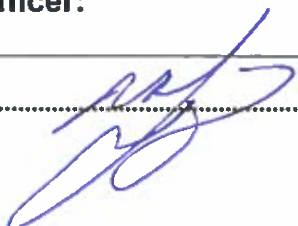
1. New HWRC to be a "Turn Key" delivery, with KCC to pay a management (gate) fee.
2. A new site to be identified, HWRC services to be procured, designed and constructed by KCC (under Contract) and subsequently operated by a third-party provider.
3. Redevelopment of suitable existing industrial premise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

None

signed



date

16-10-19

Name:

MIKE WHITING