

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL –RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Susan Carey
Cabinet Member for Environment

DECISION NO:

19/00088

For publication

Key decision*

Yes – County Wide impact

Subject Drainage and Planning Policy update 2019
Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment, I agree to adopt the Drainage and Planning Policy.

Reason(s) for decision:

As a Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA), Kent County Council has been acting as a statutory consultee for surface water within the planning process since April 2015. KCC is required to provide technical advice and guidance on planning applications in relation to surface water drainage strategies, designs and maintenance arrangements put forward by developers via the Local Planning Authority for major developments. The Drainage and Planning Policy Statement sets out the drainage requirements that KCC will require when reviewing surface water management provisions, which will seek to deliver the requirements of the Non-Statutory Technical Standards and National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). With recent changes in the NPPF and publication of DEFRA's 25-Year Environment Plan, the Drainage and Planning Policy Statement has been revised to be consistent with them.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

A public consultation on the revised Drainage and Planning Policy Statement started on 19th August and ran until 30th September 2019. All consultation documents were available online at www.kent.gov.uk/drainageandplanningpolicy and alternative formats including hard copies were available upon request.

The revised Drainage and Planning Policy Statement was discussed and endorsed by members of the Environment and Transportation Cabinet Committee on 29 November.

Any alternatives considered:

If the policy was not updated it would not reflect changes in planning policy or lessons learned from performing this function and will be inconsistent with NPPF and DEFRA's 25-Year Enforcement Plan

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

None

Susan Carey
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signed

16-12-19
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date

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