

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

**RECORD OF DECISION OF THE COBTREE MANOR ESTATE CHARITY
COMMITTEE**

Decision Made: 14 April 2014

APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS

Issue for Decision

To consider the appointment of external auditors for the Charity for the financial years 2013/14 and 2014/15.

Decision Made

That King & Taylor be reappointed as external auditors for the financial years 2013/14 and 2014/15.

Reasons for Decision

King & Taylor have been the Charity's external auditors for a number of years, and there is a good working relationship between their staff and Council staff. In addition, King & Taylor are experienced auditors of charity accounts and have a good working knowledge of the Charity from their previous audit work.

Alternatives Considered and Why Rejected

The Committee could seek to appoint a different auditor. However, for the reasons outlined above, it is proposed that King & Taylor continue in their current role. In addition the Charity Commission guidance on the Independent Examination of Charity Accounts does not appear to place any requirement upon Trustees to change auditors after any specified time period.

Background Papers

None

<p>Should you be concerned about this decision and wish to call it in, please submit a call in form signed by any two Non-Executive Members to the Head of Policy and Communications by: 24 April 2014.</p>
