

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 OCTOBER 2013

Present: Councillor Garland (Chairman), and
Councillors Greer, Moss, Paine, Mrs Ring and
J.A. Wilson

Also Present: Councillors Burton, Mrs Gooch, McKay and
Mrs Stockell

76. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no Apologies for Absence.

77. **URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent items.

78. **NOTIFICATION OF VISITING MEMBERS**

Councillor Gooch indicated her wish to speak on Agenda Items 8 (Business Rate Pooling) & 9 (Maidstone Borough Local Plan Public Consultation Draft – Group 1 Development Management Policies) and Councillors Burton and McKay indicated their wish to speak on Agenda Item 9 (Maidstone Borough Local Plan Public Consultation Draft – Group 1 Development Management Policies).

Councillor Mrs Stockell was in attendance.

79. **DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

There were no disclosures by Members or Officers.

80. **DISCLOSURES OF LOBBYING**

There were no disclosures of lobbying.

81. **EXEMPT ITEMS**

RESOLVED: That the Items on the Agenda be taken in public as proposed.

82. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 SEPTEMBER 2013**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 September 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed.

83. BUSINESS RATE POOLING

DECISION MADE:

- a) That, in principle, the inclusion of this Council in the Kent application to the Department of Communities and Local Government for a Business Rates Pool for 2014/15, subject to satisfactory governance arrangements and membership providing a financial advantage to the area covered by the pool, be agreed;
- b) That delegated authority be given to the Director of Regeneration & Communities, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to make a final decision, following assessment of the final membership and governance arrangements.

To view the full details of this decision, please click here -

<http://meetings.maidstone.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=744>

84. MAIDSTONE BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN PUBLIC CONSULTATION DRAFT - GROUP 1 DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICIES

DECISION MADE:

That consideration of Policy DM20 (Mooring Facilities and Boat Yards) be deferred and the remaining 14 Policies in the first group of development management policies for the Maidstone Borough Local Plan (as attached at Appendix A to the report of the Head of Planning and Development) for public consultation at the Preparation stage of the local plan process (Regulation 18) be agreed, subject to the following amendments:-

- i) Clarification be provided in the guidance for Policy DM2 (Renewable and low carbon energy schemes) concerning the principles of conditions for temporary and permanent planning consents;
- ii) Policy DM17 (Town centre uses) Paragraph 1 ii. be amended to make reference to cumulative impact assessments; and
- iii) The words "an important regeneration site, as its priority" in Policy DM17, Paragraph 12.102, be amended to read "an important regeneration site, as a priority".

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85. DURATION OF MEETING

10.30 a.m. to 11.13 a.m.