

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4 DECEMBER 2013

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

105. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

106. URGENT ITEMS

The Chairman indicated that he intended to take the following as urgent items:-

- a) Update to the report of the Head of Planning and Development – Maidstone Borough Local Plan public Consultation Draft – Group 2 Policies;
- b) SCRAIP from the Planning, Transport and Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee regarding the Maidstone Borough Local Plan public Consultation Draft – Group 2 Policies; and
- c) SCRAIP from the Planning, Transport and Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee regarding the Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy

107. NOTIFICATION OF VISITING MEMBERS

There were no Visiting Members.

108. DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

There were no disclosures by Members or Officers.

109. DISCLOSURES OF LOBBYING

There were no disclosures of lobbying.

110. EXEMPT ITEMS

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

111. MAIDSTONE BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN PUBLIC CONSULTATION DRAFT - GROUP 2 POLICIES

DECISION MADE:

- a) That the proposed policies and associated plans of the Maidstone Borough Local Plan (as attached at Appendices A, C, D and E to the

report of the Head of Planning and Development), be agreed for public consultation, subject to the amendments set out at Appendix A to this decision.

- b) That the proposed site allocation policy for Maidstone East and the Royal Mail Sorting Office site, as attached at Appendix B to the report of the Head of Planning and Development, be agreed for public consultation, subject to the amendment included in Appendix A to this decision.
- c) That the proposed site allocation policy for Newnham Park, as attached at Appendix B to the report of the Head of Planning and Development, be agreed or public consultation and the policy for development management purposes be adopted, subject to the amendment included in Appendix A to this decision.
- d) That the word "overriding" be removed from paragraph 12.52, Policy DM10 – Open space and recreation.
- e) That the recommendations from the Planning, Transport and Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee be noted and the proposed responses, as set out in the SCRAIP attached at Appendix B to this decision, be agreed.

112. GREEN AND BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY

DECISION MADE:

- a) That the draft Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy, as attached at Appendix 1 to the report of Head of Planning and Development, be agreed for targeted stakeholder engagement.
- b) That the recommendations of the Planning, Transport and Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee be noted and the proposed responses, as set out in Appendix A to this decision, be agreed.
- c) That officers investigate the methodology for estimating the economic value of green and blue infrastructure.

113. DURATION OF MEETING

6.30 p.m. to 7.50 p.m.