

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

**RECORD OF DECISION OF THE STRATEGIC PLANNING,
SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Decision Made: Tuesday 08 March
2016

**Report of the Head of Housing and Community Services -
Draft Low Emission Strategy Consultation Response**

Issue for Decision

To consider the report and note the decision of the Communities, Housing and Environment Committee

Decision Made

That the Communities, Housing and Environment Committee be recommended to fix a date for the Low Emission Workshop, as early as possible before the elections in May 2016, inviting all Borough Councillors to attend, to establish the parameters of the Low Emissions Action Plan.

Should you wish to refer this decision to Policy and Resources Committee, please submit a Decision Referral Form, signed by three Councillors, to the Head of Finance and Resources by: 16 March 2016

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**Report of the Head of Planning and Development - Response
to consultation on 'A new approach to rail passenger
services in London and the South East' and Kent County
Council's Draft Consultation on the New South Eastern
Franchise**

Issue for Decision

To consider the revised Maidstone Borough Council responses to the consultation on 'A new approach to rail passenger services in London and the South East' and Kent County Council's Draft Consultation on the New South Eastern Franchise.

Decision Made

1. That the suggested responses to the prospectus document 'A New Approach to Rail Passenger Services in London and the South East', as set out in the report of 8 March 2016, be agreed subject to the inclusion of the points raised by the Committee and noted in the Minutes, and the report be forwarded to Transport for London prior to 18 March 2016.
2. That the suggested responses to the consultation by Kent County Council on the new Southeastern Franchise be agreed, subject to the inclusion of the points raised by the Committee and noted in the Minutes, and the document be forwarded to the Principal Transport Planner – Rail at Kent County Council.

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**Report of the Head of Planning and Development - Response
to Consultation by Highways England on proposed Lower
Thames Crossing**

Issue for Decision

To consider the proposed response set out in section 4 of the report and forward it to Highways England as the Council's formal response to the Lower Thames Crossing Consultation.

Decision Made

That the proposed response, set out in section 4 of the report dated 8 March 2016, be agreed subject to the amendment of the response to Question 5 (paragraph 4.8 of the report) to read 'tends to agree' in relation to the Western Southern Link. The responses then be forwarded to Highways England as the Council's formal response to the Lower Thames Crossing Consultation by the deadline of 24 March 2016.

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**Report of the Head of Planning and Development - Re-
establishment of Maidstone Borough Transport User Group**

Issue for Decision

To consider the re-establishment of the Maidstone Transport Users Group.

Decision Made

1. That a Maidstone Transport Operators Group be established.
2. That at the first meeting of the Maidstone Transport Operators Group the Terms of Reference be established to include the appointment of a Maidstone Borough Councillor as Chairman of the Group.
3. That in the initial year of the Maidstone Transport Operators Group quarterly meetings be held with a review of the Group's effectiveness carried out at the end of the first year and reported back to the Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation Committee.
4. That invitations to establish the membership of the Maidstone Transport Operators Group be extended to the following:
 - Maidstone Borough Council Officers
 - Kent County Council Officers
 - Arriva
 - NuVenture
 - Rail Services Providers for the Borough
 - Highways England
 - 1 representative from the Kent Association of Local Councils (KALC)
5. That quarterly reports to the Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation Committee from the Maidstone Transport Operators Group be provided.

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Report of the Head of Planning and Development - Scope and costs required to implement 20 mph speed limits within the Borough of Maidstone

Issue for Decision

To consider the report and whether to request officers undertake or commission further work on the 20 mile per hour scheme, and to consider the Maidstone Urban Area, the five Rural Service Centres and five Larger Villages as suitable scheme areas.

Decision Made

That in the Local Plan period pilot studies be undertaken of certain sections of highway in Maidstone where there is acknowledged pedestrian and vehicular conflict and where there is resident support in order to deliver 20 mph speed limit areas.

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