

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Decision Made: 5 November 2015

PLANNING SUPPORT SHARED SERVICE

Issue for Decision

To consider the proposals put forward on the future provision of planning support services.

Decision Made

- 1) That the Business Case prepared and presented by the Mid Kent Services Director, subject to any amendments following necessary consultation with affected staff, be agreed;
- 2) That the disaggregation of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council from the Mid Kent Planning Support Service be agreed;
- 3) That Maidstone Borough Council's partnership in the Mid Kent Planning Support Service with Swale Borough Council continue, subject to:
 - moving to a 'volume based' contribution mechanism; and
 - undertaking a joint review of the service with Swale Borough Council by June 2017.
- 4) That the continuation of the shared Land Charges Service between Maidstone, Swale and Tunbridge Wells Borough Councils be noted; and
- 5) That delegated authority be given to the Director of Environment and Shared Services to finalise the detail of any collaboration agreement(s) that are required as a result of the decisions taken by the Committee.

Background Papers

Papers and Decision by Tunbridge Wells BC Cabinet on 6 August 2015
<http://democracy.tunbridgewells.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cid=118&Mid=3358&Ver=4>

Decision by Maidstone Borough Council to establish the shared service on 12 June 2013

<http://services.maidstone.gov.uk/meetings/ieListDocuments.aspx?CIId=146&MIId=1924>

Special Meeting, Strategic Leadership and Corporate Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the Project Implementation Review on 23 February 2015

<http://services.maidstone.gov.uk/meetings/ieListDocuments.aspx?CIId=553&MIId=2361>

<p>Should you wish to refer this decision to Council, please submit a Decision Referral Form, signed by five Councillors, to the Head of Finance and Resources by: 16 November 2015</p>
