

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Decision Made: 18 January 2017

Report of the Head of Policy and Communications - Strategic Plan 2015-20, Update 2017-18

Issue for Decision

To review the action areas for consideration by the Committee.

Decision Made

1. That the following amendments to the draft Strategic Plan 2015-20, 2017-18 Update be made:-

<u>Page</u>	<u>As presented</u>	<u>Committee's amendments</u> (additions in bold)
Regenerating the Town Centre Enhancing the appeal of the town centre for everyone		
6	First Paragraph	Maidstone has had an historically thriving town centre, however we need to ensure that we keep pace with the changing economic environment and continue to meet the demands of businesses, residents and consumers. Investment in Maidstone town centre is needed if it is to continue to be a popular place for leisure, to live, shop and work. A diverse and thriving town centre requires a full range of business, retail and cultural investment to support them.
6	We will	Delete: Deliver the Town Centre Development Plan Insert: Deliver the Housing and Regeneration Strategy
Promoting a range of employment skills and opportunities across the borough		
7	We mean	Aiming to meet the skills and employment need of our residents and employers Insert: Supporting existing

		business and attracting new business to the borough
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2. That the Key Performance Indicators for the action areas be considered by each Service Committee following the finalisation and adoption of the Strategic Plan 2015-20, 2017-18 update.

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**Report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement
- Medium Term Financial Strategy 2017/18 Onwards -
Capital Programme**

Issue for Decision

To determine the strategy for developing the future capital programme, for 2017/18 onwards, as part of the consideration of the medium term financial strategy.

Decision Made

That:

1. The strategy's principles as set out in paragraphs 2.5 to 2.10 of the report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement be agreed;
2. The capital funding projection as set out in Appendix B to the report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement be agreed;
3. The capital programme 2017/18 onwards, as set out in Appendix C to the report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement, be agreed;
4. In agreeing to recommendations 2 and 3 above, prudential borrowing limit of £29,002,870 over the period of the programme be noted, which will be recommended to Council as part of the Treasury Management Strategy 2017/18 by the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee;
5. The Section 106 contributions be reported as part of the Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report.

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**Report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement
- Medium Term Financial Strategy - Fees and Charges**

Issue for Decision

To propose fees and charges for 2017/18 for the services which fall under the responsibility of the Committee.

Decision Made

That:

1. That the proposed fees and charges for 2017/18 as set out in detail in Appendix A to the report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement be approved;
2. That the fees and charges set by the government for 2017/18 as detailed in Appendix A to the report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement be noted.

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**Report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement
- Council Tax Tax Base 2017/18**

Issue for Decision

To advise members of the information currently available on the Tax Base for 2017/18 for Council Tax purposes.

Decision Made

That:

1. Pursuant to the report and in accordance with the Local Authority (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012, that the amount calculated by this Authority as its Council Tax Base for the year 2017/18 be agreed as 59,439.3;
2. In accordance with the Local Authority (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012, that the amount calculated by this Authority as the Council Tax Base for each parish area for the year 2017/18 be agreed as detailed in Appendix II to the report;
3. The revised council tax adjustment figures as detailed in the revised Appendix III to the report of the Director of Finance and Business Improvement be agreed.

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**Report of the Director of Mid Kent Services - Council Tax
Empty Property Discounts**

Issue for Decision

To consider the proposals to further amend the Council's policy for the award of empty property discounts.

Decision Made

That the Committee recommends to Council that the Council Tax Empty Property Discount Policy as set out in Appendix 1 to the report of the Director of Mid Kent Services be approved as amended.

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