#### THE CHARITY KNOWN AS THE COBTREE MANOR ESTATE

## MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL ACTING AS CORPORATE TRUSTEE

#### **16 SEPTEMBER 2015**

### REPORT OF THE HEAD OF FINANCE AND RESOURCES

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# 1. REVIEW OF ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON THE COBTREE MANOR ESTATE CHARITY COMMITTEE (IF NECESSARY)

1.1 The Cobtree Manor Estate Charity Committee comprises five Members, politically balanced as follows:

Conservative 3 Liberal Democrat 2 Independent 0 Labour 0 UKIP 0

- 1.2 Depending upon the outcome of the Fant Ward by-election on 10 September 2015, it may be necessary to carry out a review of the allocation of seats on the Committee. An update will be provided at the meeting.
- 1.3 Section 17 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 provides for exceptions to the political balance requirements. The Council can amend the political balance of a Committee provided that notice of the intention to give such consideration has been given to all Members of the Council and that when the alternative arrangements are put to the vote at the Council meeting, no Member of the Council votes against them.
- 1.4 <u>RECOMMENDED</u>: That, if necessary, the allocation of seats on the Cobtree Manor Estate Charity Committee be reviewed and determined.

**Background Documents** 

None.