

## **Maidstone Borough Council**

### **Economic & Commercial Development Overview & Scrutiny Committee**

**Tuesday 27 August 2013**

#### **Lockmeadow Market Scrutiny Review Update**

**Report of:** Clare Wood

#### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 In May 2007 the Regeneration & Sustainable Communities agreed to review Lockmeadow Market following the raising of specific concerns about the markets location and quality.

#### **2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 That the Committee interview Steve Goulette, Head of Environment and the Public Realm and Robert Holmes, Market Manager to assess the progress made on the review recommendations.

#### **2.2 Lockmeadow Market Review**

- 2.3 The Regeneration and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee carried out a review of Lockmeadow Market over the Municipal Year 2007-08. The final report included evidence from a range of local and national sources and makes recommendations for the improvement of the Market based on this research.

- 2.4 There were 14 recommendations made as part of the Market Review including many around promotion of and publishing the current service. The completed SCRAIP is included for reference at Appendix A.

#### **3. Impact on Corporate Objectives**

- 3.1 The Committee will consider reports that deliver against the following Council priority:
- 'For Maidstone to have a growing economy.'
- 3.2 The Strategic Plan sets the Council's key objectives for the medium term and has a range of objectives which support the delivery of the Council's priorities. Actions to deliver these key objectives may therefore include work that the Committee will consider over the next year.

