



LIST OF FORTHCOMING DECISIONS

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INTRODUCTION

This document sets out the decisions to be taken by the Executive and various Committees of Maidstone Borough Council on a rolling basis. This document will be published as updated with new decisions required to be made.

KEY DECISIONS

A key decision is an executive decision which is likely to:

- Result in the Maidstone Borough Council incurring expenditure or making savings which is equal to the value of £250,000 or more; or
- Have significant effect on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards in Maidstone.

At Maidstone Borough Council, decisions which we regard as “Key Decisions” because they are likely to have a “significant” effect either in financial terms or on the community include:

- (1) Decisions about expenditure or savings which equal or are more than £250,000.
- (2) Budget reports.
- (3) Policy framework reports.
- (4) Adoption of new policies plans, strategies or changes to established policies, plans or strategies.
- (5) Approval of portfolio plans.
- (6) Decisions that involve significant service developments, significant service reductions, or significant changes in the way that services are delivered, whether Borough-wide or in a particular locality.
- (7) Changes in fees and charges.
- (8) Proposals relating to changes in staff structure affecting more than one section.

Each entry identifies, for that “key decision” –

- the decision maker
- the date on which the decision is due to be taken
- the subject matter of the decision and a brief summary
- the reason it is a key decision
- to whom representations (about the decision) can be made

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- whether the decision will be taken in public or private
- what reports/papers are, or will be, available for public inspection

EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

The Cabinet collectively makes its decisions at a meeting and individual portfolio holders make decisions independently. In addition, Officers can make key decisions and an entry for each of these will be included in this list.

DECISIONS WHICH THE CABINET INTENDS TO MAKE IN PRIVATE

The Cabinet hereby gives notice that it intends to meet in private after its public meeting to consider reports and/or appendices which contain exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). The private meeting of the Cabinet is open only to Members of the Cabinet, other Councillors and Council officers.

Reports and/or appendices to decisions which the Cabinet will take at its private meeting are indicated in the list below, with the reasons for the decision being made in private. Any person is able to make representations to the Cabinet if he/she believes the decision should instead be made in the public Cabinet meeting. If you want to make such representations, please email janetbarnes@maidstone.gov.uk. You will then be sent a response in reply to your representations. Both your representations and the Executive's response will be published on the Council's website at least 5 working days before the Cabinet meeting.

ACCESS TO CABINET REPORTS

Reports to be considered at the Cabinet's public meeting will be available on the Council's website (www.maidstone.gov.uk) a minimum of 5 working days before the meeting.

HOW CAN I CONTRIBUTE TO THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS?

The Council actively encourages people to express their views on decisions it plans to make. This can be done by writing directly to the appropriate Officer or Cabinet Member (details of whom are shown in the list below).

Alternatively, the Cabinet are contactable via our website (www.maidstone.gov.uk) where you can submit a question to the Leader of the Council. There is also the opportunity to invite the Leader of the Council to speak at a function you may be organising.

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Licensing Committee Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013	Hackney Carriage Licence - Unmet Demand Survey To consider the outcomes of the Unmet Demand Survey into the numbers of Hackney Carriage Licenses		John Littlemore, Head of Housing & Community Services johnlittlemore@maidstone.gov.uk	Public	Hackney Carriage Licence - Unmet Demand Survey
Licensing Committee Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013	New Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 New Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013		John Littlemore, Head of Housing & Community Services johnlittlemore@maidstone.gov.uk	Public	New Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013
Licensing Committee Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013	Local Code of Good Conduct in relation to Licensing Matters Licensing Code of Conduct		John Littlemore, Head of Housing & Community Services johnlittlemore@maidstone.gov.uk	Public	Local Code of Good Conduct in relation to Licensing Matters
Licensing Committee Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013	Licensing Partnership Licensing Partnership update		John Littlemore, Head of Housing & Community Services johnlittlemore@maidstone.gov.uk	Public	Licensing Partnership

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Licensing Committee Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013	Hackney Carriage Unmet Demand Survet - Letter A2Z Licensing Response to matters raised by A2Z Licensing in respect of the Unmet Demand Survey		Lorraine Neale lorraineneale@maids.tone.gov.uk	Public	Hackney Carriage Unmet Demand Survet - Letter A2Z Licensing
Licensing Committee Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013	DBS Check changes Changes to the DBS checks in relation to Hackney/Carriage/Private Hire Drivers		Lorraine Neale lorraineneale@maids.tone.gov.uk	Public	DBS Check changes
Licensing Act 2003 Committee Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013	Delegation of Functions To recommend to Council a minor amendment to the delegations to the Committee		John Littlemore, Head of Housing & Community Services johnlittlemore@maidstone.gov.uk	public	Delegation of Functions
Licensing Act 2003 Committee Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013	Licensing Partnership Licensing Partnership update		John Littlemore, Head of Housing & Community Services johnlittlemore@maidstone.gov.uk	Public	Licensing Partnership

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<p>Licensing Act 2003 Committee</p> <p>Due Date: Monday 7 Oct 2013</p>	<p>Local code of good conduct for councillors and officers dealing with licensing matters</p> <p>Local code of good conduct for councillors and officers dealing with licensing matters</p>		<p>Lorraine Neale lorraineneale@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>public</p>	<p>Local code of good conduct for councillors and officers dealing with licensing matters</p>
<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: Wednesday 9 Oct 2013</p>	<p>Budget Strategy 2014 15 Onwards Capital</p> <p>To determine the strategy for developing the future Capital Programme, for 2014/15 onwards, as part of the consideration of the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Budget Reports</p>	<p>Paul Riley, Head of Finance & Customer Services paulriley@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Budget Strategy 2014 15 Onwards Capital</p>

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<p>Cabinet Member for Corporate Services</p> <p>Due Date: Before Friday 11 Oct 2013</p>	<p>MKIP - Joint Environmental Health and Planning System Contract</p> <p>To seek approval for Maidstone to enter into a 5 year contract with the successful tenderer of the Joint Environmental Health and Planning System procurement on behalf of Maidstone, Swale and Tunbridge Wells Borough Councils</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Expenditure > £250,000</p>	<p>Ryan O'Connell ryanoconnell@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>MKIP - Joint Environmental Health and Planning System Contract</p>
<p>Cabinet Member for Corporate Services</p> <p>Due Date: Friday 25 Oct 2013</p>	<p>Discretionary Housing Payment</p> <p>Future policy for the award of discretionary housing payments.</p>		<p>Stephen McGinnes stephenmcginnes@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Discretionary Housing Payment</p>

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<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: Tuesday 22 Oct 2013</p>	<p>Maidstone Borough Local Plan Public Consultation Draft</p> <p>Cabinet approval to undertake public consultation on the draft Maidstone Borough Local Plan (under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012)</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Affects more than 1 ward</p>	<p>Rob Jarman, Head of Development Management Robjarman@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Maidstone Borough Local Plan Public Consultation Draft</p>
<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: Tuesday 22 Oct 2013</p>	<p>Integrated Transport Strategy 2011-31</p> <p>To consider the Integrated Transport Strategy 2011-31 for public consultation</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Affects more than 1 ward</p>	<p>Rob Jarman, Head of Development Management Robjarman@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Integrated Transport Strategy 2011-31</p>

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<p>Cabinet Member for Planning, Transport and Development</p> <p>Due Date: Friday 25 Oct 2013</p>	<p>Harrietsham Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>To consider Harrietsham Parish Council's draft neighbourhood plan and determine its suitability to go forward for public consultation</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Policies, Plans, Strategies</p>	<p>Rob Jarman, Head of Development Management Robjarman@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	
<p>Cabinet Member for Economic and Commercial Development</p> <p>Due Date: Before Friday 25 Oct 2013</p>	<p>Maidstone Enterprise Hub</p> <p>To allocate up to £700,000 from Capital Programme to establish an Enterprise Hub in Maidstone Town Centre.</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Expenditure > £250,000</p>	<p>John Foster, Economic Development Manager johnfoster@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Maidstone Enterprise Hub</p>

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<p>Cabinet Member for Corporate Services</p> <p>Due Date: Friday 25 Oct 2013</p>	<p>Lease of Giddyhorn Lane Tennis Courts</p> <p>Lease renewal to Maidstone Lawn Tennis Club of the tennis courts at Giddyhorn Lane Playing Fields</p>		<p>Lucy Stroud lucystroud@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Private because of commercially sensitive information.</p>	<p>Lease of Giddyhorn Lane Tennis Courts</p>
<p>Cabinet Member for Planning, Transport and Development</p> <p>Due Date: Friday 1 Nov 2013</p>	<p>Community Infrastructure Levy</p> <p>Progress report on the Community Infrastructure Levy, including principles for populating the regulation 123 list.</p>		<p>Rob Jarman, Head of Development Management Robjarman@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Community Infrastructure Levy</p>
<p>Cabinet Member for Community and Leisure Services</p> <p>Due Date: Thursday 7 Nov 2013</p>	<p>Health Inequalities Action Plan</p> <p>Action plan detailing work on reducing health inequalities in Maidstone</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Affects more than 1 ward</p>	<p>John Littlemore, Head of Housing & Community Services johnlittlemore@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Health Inequalities Action Plan</p>

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<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: Wednesday 13 Nov 2013</p>	<p>Regeneration and Economic Development Plan Consultation</p> <p>To consider the draft Regeneration and Economic Development Plan for the Borough and agree its release for public consultation.</p>	<p>KEY</p> <p>Reason: Affects more than 1 ward</p>	<p>John Foster, Economic Development Manager</p> <p>johnfoster@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Regeneration and Economic Development Plan Consultation</p>
<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: Wednesday 13 Nov 2013</p>	<p>MAIDSTONE BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN PUBLIC CONSULTATION DRAFT – GROUP 2 POLICIES</p> <p>Group 2 of the Development Management Policies</p>	<p>KEY</p> <p>Reason: Policies, Plans, Strategies</p>	<p>Rob Jarman, Head of Development Management</p> <p>Robjarman@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>MAIDSTONE BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN PUBLIC CONSULTATION DRAFT – GROUP 2 POLICIES</p>

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<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: Wednesday 13 Nov 2013</p>	<p>Bringing empty homes back into use as affordable housing</p> <p>To consider purchasing property to help deliver the Empty Homes Programme with the Homes and Communities Agency.</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Expenditure > £250,000</p>	<p>Andrew Connors, Housing Enabling Officer andrewconnors@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is in the public interest that this report be taken in private because it discloses information regarding negotiations that have taken place and are continuing with the property owner, including the value of the property. Keeping this information private at this time will enable the council to conclude negotiations and secure the best purchase price possible</p>	<p>Empty Homes back into use report</p>
<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: Wednesday 18 Dec 2013</p>	<p>Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP)</p> <p>The purpose of the IDP is to identify the infrastructure required to meet the spatial objectives and growth anticipated in the Local Plan and thus demonstrate that the Plan is both realistic and deliverable.</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Affects more than 1 ward</p>	<p>Rob Jarman, Head of Development Management Robjarman@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP)</p>

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<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: Wednesday 18 Dec 2013</p>	<p>Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy</p> <p>Approval of Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy for public consultation (to be undertaken at the same time as the Maidstone Borough Local Plan).</p>	<p>KEY Reason: Policies, Plans, Strategies</p>	<p>Rob Jarman, Head of Development Management Robjarman@maidstone.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public</p>	<p>Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy</p>