

## **CABINET**

**WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER 2013**

### **APPENDIX 2**

Several visits were made to Maidstone between February and October by various companies and organisations exploring their involvement in the Enterprise Hub. These included:

- **CISCO** – to explore possible involvement in Maidstone project particularly regarding ICT and innovation agenda
- **BT Global Services** – as above and to push for in kind sponsorship of the project
- **Steelcase Strafor** – global office layout and furniture experts for advice on creating the perfect workspace and possible design sponsorship of Maidstone facility. This was instigated after visiting KCC's new workspaces demonstration suite at County Hall and West Malling
- **University of Kent Business School** – exploring and agreeing their involvement in delivery
- **Canterbury Christ Church Business School** – exploring and agreeing their involvement in delivery of support
- **Greenwich University and Enterprise Europe Network** – exploring and agreeing their delivery involvement going forward
- **ICOM** – Maidstone ICT Company looking into locating broadband on top of Colman House (from Maidstone Studios). This followed talks with Geoff Miles.
- **Ferndean Plc** – (company responsible for Apple store in London): offering free mechanical & electrical design schemes and development programme timings and costings. Director lives and Maidstone and wants to help regenerate the town.
- **TSB Bank**: Interested in basing their business manager on site either permanently or on a diarised basis.
- **Gullands Solicitors** – offering initial free onsite legal advice
- **Morlings/Hatten-Wyatt** – free legal clinics and advice sessions and links with women in business groups