



Agenda

Meeting: **Cabinet**
Date: **15 November 2017**
Time: **5.00 pm**
Place: **Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone**

To: **All members of the Cabinet**

All Councillors for information

The cabinet will consider the matters listed below on the date and at the time and place shown above. The meeting will be open to the press and public.

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**

Members of the Council should declare any interests which fall under the following categories. Please see the end of the agenda for definitions*:

- a) disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI);
- b) other significant interests (OSI);
- c) voluntary announcements of other interests.

3. **Minutes (Pages 5 - 14)**

To consider and approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 11 and 18 October 2017.

4. **Waste and Street Cleansing Project 2021 (Pages 15 - 34)**

The waste partnership agreement and Veolia contract ends in January 2021. It is proposed that the East Kent Districts and KCC work together to develop options for new joint service arrangements to start in 2021, before if practicable. This report summarises the current issues and risks, the likely options to be considered and presents a project plan to develop and

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deliver the new service arrangements.

5. **Oportunitas Quarterly Progress Report 17/18 (Q1 & Q2) (Pages 35 - 44)**

Report C/17/53 provides an update from the Board of Oportunitas Ltd (“the company”) covering activities undertaken in Q1 & Q2 of the current 2017/18 financial year, including a financial statement in-line with the requirement contained in the Shareholder’s Agreement between the company and the Council.

6. **General Fund Revenue Budget Monitoring - 2nd Quarter 2017/18 (Pages 45 - 52)**

This monitoring report provides a projection of the end of year financial position of the General Fund revenue budget, based on expenditure to the 31 August 2017.

7. **Update to the General Fund Medium Term Capital Programme and Quarter 2 Capital Budget Monitoring 2017/18 - 2nd Quarter 2017/18 (Pages 53 - 64)**

The report provides a projected outturn for the General Fund capital programme in 2017/18, based on expenditure to 30 September 2017, and identifies variances compared to the latest approved budget. The report also seeks full Council’s approval to include three new schemes in the General Fund Medium Term Capital Programme previously considered by Cabinet during 2017/18.

8. **Housing Revenue Account and Capital Budget Monitoring - 2nd Quarter 2017/18 (Pages 65 - 76)**

This monitoring report provides a projection of the end of year financial position for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) revenue expenditure and HRA capital programme based on net expenditure to 30 September 2017.

9. **Budget Strategy 2018/19 (Pages 77 - 100)**

This Budget Strategy sets out the guidelines for preparing the 2018/19 Budget. It supports the Corporate Plan and aligns with the direction and objectives of the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).

The Budget Strategy takes account of current and future financial issues, sets out the underlying assumptions and initial budget-setting proposals and provides a timetable for delivering a balanced budget in 2018/19.

10. **Fees and Charges 2018/19 (Pages 101 - 132)**

This report focuses on the proposed fees and charges for 2018/19. These will contribute towards meeting the council’s budget objectives and Medium Term Financial Strategy.

11. Property purchase initiative to increase the supply of affordable and good quality temporary accommodation (Pages 133 - 154)

This report sets out a proposal to purchase a property to be used as temporary accommodation as an alternative to expensive and less suitable Bed and Breakfast accommodation. The proposed temporary accommodation is the most appropriate and cost effective method for meeting the statutory requirements of the Homelessness Reduction Act.

12. Exclusion of the Public

To exclude the public for the following item of business on the grounds that it is likely to disclose exempt information, as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 –

‘Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). “Financial or business affairs” includes contemplated as well as current activities.’

Part 2 – Exempt Information Item

13. Biggins Wood - Site for Business Expansion (Pages 155 - 160)

The report sets out options to create more jobs locally through facilitating the growth of a local business by constructing suitable premises on the Council’s employment land at Biggins Wood, Folkestone.

*Explanations as to different levels of interest

(a) A member with a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) must declare the nature as well as the existence of any such interest and the agenda item(s) to which it relates must be stated. A member who declares a DPI in relation to any item must leave the meeting for that item (unless a relevant dispensation has been granted).

(b) A member with an other significant interest (OSI) under the local code of conduct relating to items on this agenda must declare the nature as well as the existence of any such interest and the agenda item(s) to which it relates must be stated. A member who declares an OSI in relation to any item will need to remove him/herself to the public gallery before the debate and not vote on that item (unless a relevant dispensation has been granted). However, prior to leaving, the member may address the meeting in the same way that a member of the public may do so.

(c) Members may make voluntary announcements of other interests which are not required to be disclosed under (a) and (b). These are announcements made for transparency reasons alone, such as:

- membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items, or
- where a member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person, or
- where an item would affect the well-being of a member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position.

Voluntary announcements do not prevent the member from participating or voting on the relevant item