NOTICE OF AN URGENT KEY DECISION (EXEMPT)

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DATE: 16 DECEMBER 2016

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO TAKE AN URGENT KEY DECISION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS) (MEETINGS AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012 AND THE FOLLOWING RULE(S) IN THE SHEPWAY DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSTITUTION:-

Part 6.4, 'Cabinet Access to Information Procedure Rules' – Rule 13 'Special Urgency'.

Land at Biggins Wood, Caesars Way, Cheriton, Folkestone

This report provides background to a proposal to acquire land for development purposes.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT:

- 1. The decision on the matter outlined above cannot practically be deferred until the publicity requirements for key and exempt decisions can be met. Neither can the decision be deferred in order for the publicity requirements to be met under the 'General Exception' Rule (Shepway District Council Constitution, Part 6.4, Rule 12) because:
 - Provided that contracts are exchanged by the 23rd December 2016 the seller will not entertain offers from other parties.
- 2. The decision will therefore be taken by the Corporate Director on the date shown above.
- 3. The Corporate Director has obtained the agreement of the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee that the taking of the decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

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J A Stewart Chief Executive Shepway District Council Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue Folkestone, Kent, CT20 2QY

A Key Decision is any decision:

- (a) Relating to the approval of or variation to the Council's Budget or Policy Framework which is reserved in the Council's Constitution for determination by full Council on a recommendation from Cabinet; or
- (b) Which involves the incurring of expenditure, or the making of savings, by the Council, which are anticipated to be in excess of £300,000 with the exception of items previously included in the relevant approved budget; or
- (c) Where the Council is entering into a contractual obligation with a value in excess of £500,000; or
- (d) For the acquisition or disposal of land or property with a value of over £500,000; or
- (e) Which is likely to be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the Council's area.

A decision will not be a key decision if it relates to expenditure, income or savings that:

- a) Has been approved previously by full Council; or
- b) Has been approved previously, following compliance with the key decision procedure; or
- c) Is in accordance with the current treasury management and investment policy of the Council.