

NOTICE OF AN URGENT KEY DECISION



CABINET MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, 24 June 2020

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 FOLKESTONE AND HYTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSTITUTION:-

Part 6.4, 'Cabinet Access to Information Procedure Rules' – Rule 12 'General Exception'

COVID-19 Response to Date and Recovery Plan Framework

This report provides an overview of the Council's response to date in relation to COVID-19 and seeks approval of a framework which will guide the development and delivery of the Council's COVID-19 Recovery Plan.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT:

1. The decision on the matter outlined above cannot practically be deferred until the publicity requirements for key decisions can be met because:

This decision is urgent as it is required in order to set a framework for the Council's Recovery Plan as part of the overall response to COVID-19. In view of the council wanting to make swift progress, and as the strategic county-wide (KRF) approach to recovery has been considered by Kent Leaders (2nd June), it is appropriate that the matter comes before cabinet for consideration asap as an approach and the framework to allow for the more detailed work to progress.

2. The decision will therefore be taken after five clear working days have elapsed from the date of this notice and its publication; that is, at a meeting of the Cabinet on the date shown above.
3. The Head of Paid Service has notified the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, in writing, of the matter on which the decision is to be made.

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Date: 8 June 2020

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