# NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 3 - SMEAR TESTING FOR WOMEN AGED SIXTEEN YEARS AND OVER

To: **Council – 10 July 2014** 

By: Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager

Classification: Unrestricted

Ward: N/A

Summary: To consider a Notice of Motion submitted in relation to smear

testing for women aged sixteen years and over

### **For Decision**

### 1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1 The following motion on notice, proposed by Councillor King, has been received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16.

"That Thanet District Council calls on the Department of Health to review its policy to enable all women from the age of sixteen to have a right to a smear test upon request".

#### 2.0 Options

- 2.1 Council can agree to debate the motion; or
- 2.2 Council can agree not to debate the motion, in which case the motion will fall
- 3.0 Corporate Implications
- 3.1 Financial
- 3.1.1 None arising
- 3.2 Legal
- 3.2.1 Council Procedure Rule 16.3 states that the Member whose name appears first on the notice will move the motion during his or her speech and call for a seconder. If seconded, a Member from the controlling political group will be entitled to a reply, after which the motion shall stand referred without further discussion to the Cabinet or appropriate committee for determination or report unless the Council decides to debate the motion in accordance with Rule 19 (rules of debate).
- 3.2.2 However, only Council can adopt the motion on notice as it is calling upon Council to agree a course of action. This means that the motion will fall if the Council does not agree to debate it.

## 3.3 Corporate

3.3.1 Council Procedure Rule 16 provides the opportunity for Councillors to give advance notice of motions to be put to Council.

## 3.4 Equity and Equalities

3.4.1 None arising at this stage.

### 4.0 Recommendation

4.1 Council is invited to consider whether to debate the motion.

## 5.0 Decision Making Process

5.1 It is for Council to decide whether or not to debate the motion, and if it does so, whether or not to agree the motion.

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#### Annex List

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## **Background Papers**

Title	Details of where to access copy
None	

### **Corporate Consultation Undertaken**

Finance	n/a
Legal	n/a