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Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Name of Cabinet Member:

Councillor Poole

Relevant Portfolio:

Operational Services

Date of Decision:

22 January 2013

Subject:

Notice on Motion Referred by Council - Ramsgate Royal Sands

Key Decision

No

In Forward Plan

No

Brief summary of matter:

On 6 December full Council referred the motion set out in the report to Cabinet without debate. The motion calls on the Cabinet to refuse to make any further amendments to the development agreement unless the developer produces satisfactory evidence by 31 January that it has the finance necessary to complete the development, and that it has entered into an agreement with a hotel management company. These were key pre-conditions laid down by the Cabinet in July that must be met before the agreement can be changed.

Decision made:

It is agreed that Cabinet set a review period of 4 months from 22nd January 2013 and request officers at the end of this period to prepare an options report to Cabinet if either the finance is not in place for the completion of the development or no agreement is in place for the construction and operation of a hotel.

Reasons for decision:

To provide an opportunity to review the progress in achieving the conditions set out by Cabinet in July 2012 and options to move forward if these are not achieved within 4 months.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

Cabinet could have agreed the proposal to take action under the development agreement if the developer had not met Cabinet's conditions by 31st January. It was considered that this was an arbitrary date that if adopted may have caused problems in relation to achieving the laid down conditions. The agreed recommendation allows the council to review its position with one of the options being the approach set out in the notice of motion.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by any executive Member who has been consulted and of any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee:

None

Author of Officer Report:

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Background papers

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Statement if decision is an urgent one and therefore not subject to call-in:

None

Last date for call in:

31 Jan 2013