THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Name of Cabinet Member:	Councillor Rick Everitt
Relevant Portfolio:	Financial Services and Estates
Date of Decision:	Thursday, 16 October 2014
Subject:	Meltree Properties Limited Grant Update
Key Decision Yes	In Forward Plan Yes

Brief summary of matter:

A European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) grant of £68,750 was paid by the Council to Melltree Properties Limited. A subsequent breach of the grant conditions occurred and DCLG have requested repayment of the full grant.

Decision made:

Cabinet approved the repayment of £68,750 grant to DCLG and that this is funded using the £5,000 grant reclaimed, with the balance from the un-ring-fenced grants reserve.

Reasons for decision:

To repay the grant as requested by DCLG.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

Not to repay the grant, which given the nature of the breach could lead to further action by DCLG and damage the Council's reputation.

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

Meltree Properties Limited Grant Update

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

None

Last date for call in:

24 October 2014