THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Name of Cabinet Member:	Councillor John Townend
Relevant Portfolio:	Financial Services and Estates
Date of Decision:	19 January 2016
Subject:	Council Tax Base Calculation for 2016/17
Key Decision No	In Forward Plan Yes

Brief summary of matter:

The Council is required to pass a formal resolution determining the Council Tax Base for 2016/17.

To formally determine not to revise the Council Tax Reduction Scheme or replace it with another scheme for 2016/17.

To formally determine not to revise the reduction of Council Tax Discounts.

Decision made:

Cabinet agreed the following:

- 1. The District's Council Tax Base for 2016/17 as 40,690.57 and the tax base for the towns and parishes in the Council's administrative area, as set out in the table at Annex 2 to the Cabinet report;
- 2. Not to revise the Council Tax Reduction Scheme or replace it with another scheme for 2016/17;
- 3. Not to revise the Council Tax Discounts for 2016/17.

Reasons for decision:

The calculation of the Tax base has been undertaken in accordance with the current regulations, "Local Authority (calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 2012 (SI: 2012:2914) which came into force in November 2012. The Council is required to set its tax base by 31 January every year.

The Council is also required on an annual basis, to determine whether to remove or reduce council tax discounts and consider whether to revise the council tax reduction scheme. This is determined in regulation.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

Not making such a decision would make it difficult for Council to create a framework for setting out its budget; there is no alternative to the tax base and local scheme. There are no alternative decisions that can be made.

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

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Background papers

CouncilTaxBaseCalculationReport201617Thanet Annex1 Annex2

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

None

Last date for call in:

27 January 2016