

**THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF OFFICER DECISION**

Name of Officer: Bob Porter, Interim Head of Housing Services

Directorate: Community Services

Relevant Portfolio Holder: Councillor Lin Fairbrass, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Community Services

Date of Decision 01 March 2016

Subject of decision: Approval of Local Lettings Plan to support the allocation of properties of Hereson Place development with Moat Housing

Decision made:

To allocate the properties at Hereson Place in line with the Local Lettings Policy.

Reasons for the Decision:

Local lettings policies have been introduced to help maintain and promote a balanced and sustainable community, in line with the Kent Sustainable Communities Protocol. The Council has the power under s167 (2e) of the Housing Act 1996, as amended by the Homelessness Act 2002, to allocate particular accommodation to people of a particular description, whether or not they fall within the reasonable preference categories or not.

The Council's adopted Allocations Policy includes provision for local lettings plans to be agreed in relation to lettings of new housing developments.

Alternative options considered and why they were rejected when the decision was made:

Allocation of properties without a Local Lettings Plan, however this would not be in line with the Kent Sustainable Communities Protocol.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by any executive Member who has been consulted by the officer making the decision and of any dispensation granted to that executive Member by the Head of Paid Service:

None

Please attach any report considered when making the decision (if applicable):

LLP attached