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Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Cabinet Member

Cllr Ashbee

Relevant Portfolio:

Leaders Portfolio

Date of Decision:

22 February 2022

Subject:

Birchington Neighbourhood Plan - Regulation 16 consultation - Formal Response from Thanet District Council

Key Decision

No

In Forward Plan

No

Brief summary of matter:

The Council is currently running a public consultation (Regulation 16) on the Birchington Neighbourhood Plan. This is the last chance for comments to be made on the plan before it is examined by an Independent Examiner.

Cabinet are asked to agree the Council's formal response on the Birchington Neighbourhood Plan.

Decision made:

That the comments in Annex 1 to the cabinet report are approved as the Council's formal response to the Birchington Neighbourhood Plan.

Reasons for decision:

Cabinet considered the comments that were recommended as the Council's formal response to the consultation. Members were advised that if the Council decided not to respond to this consultation, additional modifications may be needed after the Examination, other than those recommended by the Examiner, in order for the Neighbourhood Plan to be able to proceed to referendum. Those changes would require further public consultation and possibly a second Examination.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

That the comments were amended before being submitted as the Council's formal response to the Regulation 16 Consultation. No amendments were suggested.

That the Council does not respond to the Regulation 16 Consultation. If the Council chooses not to respond to the Regulation 16 Consultation, there is a risk that additional modifications will be considered necessary after the Examination and the receipt of the Examiners Report. This alternative was therefore not recommended.

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

Cabinet - Formal comments on Birchington Neighbourhood Plan Report - Google Docs
Annex 1 - Google Docs

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

None

Last date for call in:

2 March 2022