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Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Cabinet Member

Councillor Jill Bayford

Relevant Portfolio:

Cabinet Member for Housing

Date of Decision:

15 December 2022

Subject:

Decarbonisation of the Council's Housing Stock

Key Decision

No

In Forward Plan

No

Brief summary of matter:

Cabinet considered a report recommending the following:

- The approach to the decarbonisation of the councils housing stock
- The approach to bidding and delivering works in wave 2.1 of the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund

Decision made:

Cabinet agreed the following:

1. To approve the adoption of the Journey to Net Zero - A Decarbonisation Strategy for the Council's Housing Stock.

Reasons for decision:

The adoption the proposed approach to Net Zero and to the bid and delivery of Wave 2.1 Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund recommended for the following reasons:

- It supports the Council's Net Zero strategy and the government's commitment to meet Net Zero by 2050.
- It will bring massive benefits to the residents of 5 tower blocks by reducing their fuel consumption, improving structural and fire safety and improving their block as a place to live.
- Capital budget is already approved to carry out works to the tower blocks
- The route to market is compliant and achieves the narrow delivery times imposed by the conditions of the grant funding.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

The option to reject or amend the approach to Net Zero and to the bid and delivery of Wave 2.1 Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund was rejected for the following reasons:

- The strategy is aligned to the Council's Net Zero strategy and the government's commitment to meet Net Zero by 2050;
- A bid partner enhances the bid submission as they have the skills and experience to carry out this work;
- To strengthen the bid and ensure the works are delivered within the narrow timescale dictated, a delivery partner must be secured. The resources and supply chain are then in place to start works. We have to return funding not spent by the deadline.

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 report Decarbonisation of the Council's Housing Stock - Google Docs
Annex 1 - Our Journey to Net Zero - strategy - - Google Docs
Annex 2 - Bid and delivery of wave 2.1 - V2 - Google Docs

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

None

Last date for call in: 23 December 2022