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Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Cabinet Member

Councillor Steve Albon

Relevant Portfolio:

Cabinet Member for Cleansing and Coastal Services

Date of Decision:

25 January 2024

Subject:

Decision for Coastal & Beach Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) renewal to 2027

Key Decision

Yes

In Forward Plan

Yes

Brief summary of matter:

The current PSPO has helped protect our coastline and beaches through one code of conduct which replaced all previous beach byelaws. The PSPO was adopted and came into force on 1 April 2021. The introduction of the new PSPO has created a safer beach environment for all to enjoy, through deterring crime, anti-social behaviour and other undesirable activities. The decision to renew for a further three years proposes TDC continue the current PSPO until 1st April 2027.

Decision made:

Cabinet approved the renewal of the current PSPO until 30 March 2027 as adopted in accordance with the Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), Crime and Policing Act 2014.

Reasons for decision:

Renewal agreed as without a new three year extension it would leave the district without any legislation or powers to enforce against anti-social behaviour on our beaches and coastline

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

Not to continue the PSPO. This is not recommended as it would leave the district without any legislation or powers to enforce against anti-social behaviour on our beaches and coastline code of conduct

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

Extend Beach & Coast PSPO Report - Google Docs
Annex 1 - Schedule 1 Beach & Coast Map - Google Docs

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

None

Last date for call in: 5 February 2024