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Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Cabinet Member

Councillor Rob Yates

Relevant Portfolio:

Cabinet Member for Corporate Services

Date of Decision:

25 January 2024

Subject:

EKS transition programme business case for approval

Key Decision

No

In Forward Plan

Yes

Brief summary of matter:

Cabinet will note from the report that Civica has provided Revenue, Benefits and Customer Services functions to Canterbury, Dover and Thanet Council as a shared service since 2018. Civica have now indicated the intention to cease providing such services after the expiry of the current contract in January 2025. Cabinet is being asked to agree in principle that in future these services be provided by way of a LATCo.

Decision made:

Cabinet agreed:

1. To note that the contract between East Kent Shared Services and Civica UK limited for the delivery of Revenue, Benefits and Customer Services will terminate in March 2025.
2. In principle to the formation of a joint local authority trading company together with Canterbury and Dover for the delivery of the services referred to in 1 above.
3. That a further report will be presented to Cabinet for approval within 4 months together with a detailed business plan for the proposed company, a draft shareholders agreement and proposed articles of association.

Reasons for decision:

To ensure continuity of service for Revenues and Benefits and customer services.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

None considered.

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

LATCo.F - Google Docs
EKS Committee report .docx
Annex 1 Business case

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

None

Last date for call in: 5 February 2024