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Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Cabinet Member

Councillor Heather Keen

Relevant Portfolio:

Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods

Date of Decision:

29 February 2024

Subject:

Changes to the statutory Instrument governing the level of fines for fly tipping & Breach of Duty of care

Key Decision

Yes

In Forward Plan

Yes

Brief summary of matter:

Local authorities have the option to increase the fines issued under fixed penalty notices for fly tipping and waste and duty of care.

Decision made:

To agree Increasing the penalty limit for fly tipping offences from £400 to £1000
To Increase the early payment option for fly tipping from £300 to £400
To agree Increasing the penalty limit for breaches of care notices in relation to waste from £400 to £600
To Increase the early payment option for breaches of care notices to £400

Reasons for decision:

Adoption of this new limit for fines will deter people from harming our public spaces in the first place, and ensure that those who continue to offend face tougher consequences.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

To retain the current levels of fines. Pre-statutory instrument levels of fines do not reflect the severity of the offence or often cover the council costs for removal.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by any executive Member who has been consulted and of any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee:

Author of Officer report:

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Background papers

Cabinet Report FlyTipping and duty of care FPNs - Google Docs
Annex 1 - Sept 2023 Fly Tipping Customer Impact Assessment.docx .docx - Google

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

Last date for call in:

12 March 2024