## MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Thursday, 6th December, 2018
7.00 pm

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You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Thanet District Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent on Thursday, 6 December 2018 at 7.00 pm for the purpose of transacting the business mentioned below.


Director of Corporate Governance
To: The Members of Thanet District Council
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## AGENDA

## Item

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 11 OCTOBER 2018 (Pages 5-10)

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 11 October 2018, copy attached.
3. MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING 6 NOVEMBER 2018 (Pages 11 12)

To approve the Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of Council held on 6 November 2018, copy attached.

## 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive any announcements from the Chairman, Leader, Members of the Cabinet or Chief Executive in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2 (iv).

## 5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest from Members in accordance with Council Procedure rule 2.2 (v)
6. PETITIONS

To receive petitions from the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.

6a PETITION REGARDING THE MARGATE MUSEUM AND THE MAYOR'S PARLOUR (Pages 13-16)

6b PETITION REGARDING THE PORT OF RAMSGATE (Pages 17-20)

## 7. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To receive questions received from the press or public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13.

7a QUESTION NO. 1 - REGARDING RIVEROAK STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP'S DCO APPLICATION (Pages 21-24)
8. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

To receive questions from Members of the Council in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14.
9. NOTICE OF MOTION

To receive any Notices of Motion from Members of Council in accordance with the Council Procedure Rule 3.
10. LEADERS REPORT (Pages 25-26)

To receive a report from the Leader of the Council in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.4.
11. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE, POLICY AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL (Pages 27-32)
12. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE, BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY PANEL (Pages 33-38)
13. 2019-20 FEES AND CHARGES (Pages 39-94)
14. FOOD LAW SERVICE PLAN AND ENFORCEMENT POLICY 2018-2020 (Pages 95-142)

Declaration of Interests Form

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## COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2018 at 7.00 pm in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor David Saunders (Chairman); Councillors Ashbee, Bayford, Buckley, Campbell, G Coleman-Cooke, K Coleman-Cooke, Connor, Constantine, Crow-Brown, Curran, Dawson, Dellar, Dennis, Dexter, Dixon, Edwards, Evans, J Fairbrass, Fenner, Game, I Gregory, Grove, Hayton, Jaye-Jones, Johnston, Martin, Messenger, Parsons, L Piper, S Piper, L Potts, Rogers, Rusiecki, M Saunders, Savage, Shonk, Taylor, Taylor-Smith, Tomlinson, Townend and Wright

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Bambridge, Braidwood, Brimm, L Fairbrass, Falcon, Hillman, Matterface, R Potts, Pugh and Stummer-Schmertzing.
2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed, that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 6 September 2018 be approved and signed by the Chairman.
3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman announced that former Councillor Trevor Emes had recently passed away. Members stood for a minute's silence as a mark of respect, and offered sympathy to Mr Emes family.

## 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

## 5. PETITIONS

No petitions were received in accordance with council procedure rule 12.

## 6. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

(a) Question No. 1 from a Member of the Public - Street Cleaning Around St Johns Road and Addington Street

Ms White asked Councillor Savage, the Cabinet Member for Operational Services, the following question:
"What steps are being taken to clean the streets around Hawley Square? The only time the Square and Addington Street are free of litter is when I carry out a litter-pick. The area outside St John's Road is of particular concern with dumped mattresses and other rubbish"

Councillor Savage responded with the following points:

- A mechanical sweeper attended the area 5 days a week after 9 am at the request of the residents to avoid noise disruption. However this reduced the effectiveness of the sweep due to the number of parked cars on the street after 9am.


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- A manual sweep of Hawley Square took place daily. The Council intended to trial some pedestrian sweeping machines that were able to clean pavements and smaller spaces.
- Bulky waste should be taken to Margate Refuse and Recycling Centre, or pick up could be arranged with the Council for a charge. In cases where items were dumped, enforcement investigation would be carried out then arrangements made to remove the items.
- The Council greatly appreciated the efforts of proactive residents who took care of their local environment, and hoped that seeing this would encourage others to not drop litter or dump waste themselves.


## 7. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

No questions had been received from Members in accordance with council procedure rule 14.

## 8. NOTICE OF MOTION

No motions on notice had been received in accordance with council procedure rule 3

## 9. LEADERS REPORT

During his report the Leader covered the following areas:

- The Council had been allocated an additional $£ 483,000$ to tackle rough sleeping in 2019-20.
- Currently there were no families with children living in temporary accommodation.
- Feedback from the House of Lords Select Committee visit to Margate had been good.
- New rules had come into force regarding Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMO's), these rules would mean that more rented properties would fall into this category and required a license from the Council.
- The Council was looking at the possibility of transferring the Cliftonville shelter to a community group.
- 80 assets had been transferred to community groups, Parish or Town councils and sold on the open market. This had bought revenue into the Council.
- The recent beach clean event had been a success and had seen more volunteers than ever before.
- There had been a large number of visitors to the District over the summer; the Visitor Information Centre at Droit House had recorded a 19\% increase in footfall compared to the previous year.
- Public toilets would remain open until the end of October.

In the absence of Councillor Wells, Councillor Crow-Brown as Opposition spokesperson for the Independent and UKIP Group, made the following points:

- It was good to hear of extra funding to tackle rough sleeping.
- The new rules around HMO's were welcome, the selective licensing scheme in Margate and Cliftonville had also been effective in dealing with bad landlords and antisocial behaviour.
- It was good that visitor numbers to the District had increased.

Councillor Reverend Piper as Leader of the Thanet Independent Councillors Group made the following points:

- Homelessness was an increasing problem, congratulations were offered to all those connected with the success of Winter Shelter project who helped the most vulnerable.
- The HMO changes were welcome as they would help to protect vulnerable tenants.


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- It was a shame that the House of Lords Select Committee did not see Ramsgate when they visited the District.
- If the Western Undercliff site had to be disposed of, the Council should consider a partnership with the new owners, because the site was an important part of community.
- The Visitor Information Centre in Ramsgate should also be recognised for its important work.

The Leader replied to Councillor Reverend Piper's comments with the following points:

- Rough sleeping was an increasing problem nationally, however the Council had responded well to the challenge. The Winter Shelter project had received a number of awards and the volunteers that were involved deserved recognition for their hard work.
- Once the Western Undercliff site had been registered as a community asset the Council was obliged to follow the legal process that was currently in progress.

Councillor Constantine as representative of the Labour Party Group made the following points:

- There was double the national average number of rough sleepers in Thanet.
- While there were no families in temporary accommodation, children were still being moved away from their support networks.
- Volunteers who worked in the Visitor Information Centres should also be thanked for their effort.
- It was good to hear that visitor numbers had increased and that the public toilets would remain open until the end of October, however the toilets needed to be cleaned more regularly.
- The East Kent University Hospitals Trust had recently been cited as one of the worst four health care providers in country, what had been done to support stroke services in the District?
- Unlike the Council, other councils had been acquiring assets while borrowing rates were so low.

The Leader replied to Councillor Constantine's comments with the following points:

- Whenever families were put into accommodation outside of the area, these families were bought back into the district as soon as possible.
- At the last count, taken on 3 October, there were 40 people sleeping rough in Thanet.
- The Council always looked to undertake suitable investment opportunities when they arose.

10. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE, POLICY AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL

Councillor G Coleman-Cooke, the Chairman of the Executive, Policy and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel, presented his report and the following points were noted:

- The Panel met on 27 September 2018, where it considered a report on Museums (Asset Management), and a report on the Food Law Service Plan and Enforcement Policy. The Panel made a number of recommendations to Cabinet on both topics.
- Under the new scrutiny arrangements, the Executive Scrutiny Panel was responsible for call-in of executive decisions; however since the last meeting of Council, no call-ins had been made.

Members noted the report
11. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE, BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY PANEL

Councillor L Piper, the Chairman of the Finance, Budget and Performance Scrutiny Panel, presented her report and the following points were noted:

- The Panel had not met since the last meeting of Council, however Members were advised that the Ramsgate Port accounts would be considered at the October meeting, and the use of temporary accommodation would be considered when the Panel met in November.
- Members were invited to email the Panel Chairman if they had any topics that they wished to be considered at a future meeting of the Panel.

Members noted the report.

## 12. CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES - CHANGES TO CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES

It was proposed by Councillor Gregory, seconded by Councillor Game and Members agreed that Council approve for adoption the revisions to Contract Standing Orders as shown in annex 1 of the report, including the recommendations provided by the Constitutional Review Working Party and the Standards Committee shown in paragraph 3.1 to 3.3 of the report, namely:
'3.1 That consideration was given to the inclusion of a provision to require contractors to pay the national living wage.
3.2 That a reference to the purchasing guide, that contains examples of added social value, should be included in paragraph 7.
3.3. That the reference to $£ 10,000.00$ should be removed from paragraph 16.1 , the sentence should read 'Each contract shall include standard clauses (excluding spend transacted on Government Procurement Card), including those indicated "where applicable" dependant on the nature of the contract as follows:'

## 13. DECLARATION OF VACANCY MARGATE CENTRAL WARD

Ms Nartey, Interim Head of Legal Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer, advised Members of the Council's legal obligation to declare the vacancy for the Margate Central Ward.

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by the vice Chairman that Members agree the recommendations within the report, namely that:
'1. Council notes that lan Venables has become disqualified for being a member of this authority;
2. Council declares as vacant the office held by lan Venables as a Councillor for the Margate Central ward.'

Members agreed to hold a recorded vote on the proposal.
Before a vote could be taken the meeting was adjourned due to disruption from the public gallery. The Chairman advised that the meeting would reconvene on Monday 15 October 2018.

## Meeting adjourned at 20:20.

Meeting reconvened at 19:00 Monday 15 October 2018
Members present:

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Councillors Ashbee, Bayford, Braidwood, Brimm, Buckley, Campbell, K Coleman-Cooke, Connor, Constantine, Crow-Brown, Dellar, Dennis, Dexter, Dixon, Evans, J Fairbrass, L Fairbrass, Falcon, Fenner, Gregory, Grove, Hillman, Jaye-Jones, Johnston, Martin, Parsons, L Piper, S Piper, L Potts, R Potts, Rogers, Rusiecki, D Saunders, M Saunders, Savage, Shonk, Taylor, Tomlinson, Townend, Wells, Wright.

Mr Howes, Director of Corporate Governance and Monitoring Officer, reminded Members of the Council's legal obligation to declare the vacancy for the Margate Central Ward.

In response to a question, Mr Howes advised Members that if an unlawful decision was made, he would have to consider his duty to prepare a report under Section 5 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

Mr Howes conducted the recorded vote.
13 Members voted in favour the motion: Councillors Ashbee, Bayford, K Coleman-Cooke, Dexter, Gregory, Martin, Parsons, Rogers, D Saunders, M Saunders, Savage, Tomlinson, Wright.

27 Members voted against the motion: Councillors Braidwood, Brimm, Buckley, Campbell, Connor, Constantine, Crow-Brown, Dellar, Dennis, Dixon, Evans, J Fairbrass, L Fairbrass, Falcon, Fenner, Grove, Hillman, Jaye-Jones, Johnston, L Piper, S Piper, L Potts, R Potts, Rusiecki, Shonk, Townend, Wells.

1 Member abstained from voting on the motion: Councillor Taylor.
The motion was lost.

## 14. CHANGES TO COMMITTEES, PANELS AND BOARDS - 2018/19

The Leader proposed, Councillor Johnston seconded and Members agreed to postpone consideration of the item until a future meeting of the Council.

Meeting concluded: 8.22pm

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# Agenda Item 3 

## COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2018 at 7.00 pm in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor David Saunders (Chairman); Councillors Ashbee, Bayford, Braidwood, Brimm, Buckley, Campbell, Connor, Constantine, CrowBrown, Dawson, Day, Dennis, Dexter, Dixon, J Fairbrass, L Fairbrass, Falcon, Fenner, Game, I Gregory, Jaye-Jones, Johnston, Larkins, Martin, Matterface, Messenger, Parsons, L Piper, S Piper, L Potts, Pugh, Rogers, Rusiecki, M Saunders, Savage, Stummer-Schmertzing, Taylor, Taylor-Smith, Tomlinson, Wells and Wright.

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councilors Bambridge, G Coleman-Cooke, K ColemanCooke, Curran, Dellar, Edwards, Evans, Hillman, R Potts, Shonk and Townend.
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.
3. REVISION TO THE SCHEME OF DELEGATIONS

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by the Vice Chairman that:
'Council amends its scheme of delegations by delegating to the Chief Executive (and in her absence the Director of Corporate Governance) the authority to declare vacancies in office under section 86 of the Local Government Act 1972.'

The Leader proposed and Councilor Savage seconded an amendment that replaced the words 'Director of Corporate Governance' with 'Deputy Chief Executive', the amended proposal read as follows:
'Council amends its scheme of delegations by delegating to the Chief Executive (and in her absence the Deputy Chief Executive) the authority to declare vacancies in office under section 86 of the Local Government Act 1972.'

Upon being put to the vote, the amended motion was declared lost.
Members voted on the substantive motion and it was declared lost.

Meeting concluded: 7.30pm

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## PETITION REGARDING THE MARGATE MUSEUM AND THE MAYOR'S PARLOUR

| Council | 6 December 2018 |
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| Report Author | Nick Hughes, Committee Services Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer |
| Portfolio Holder | Councillor Ashbee, Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance and Coastal Development |
| Status | For recommendation |
| Classification: | Unrestricted |
| Key Decision | No |
| Executive Summary: |  |
| A petition containing 94 valid signatures was received by the Council requesting that the council reaffirm that there will be no sale or disposal of the buildings known as Margate Museum and the Mayor's Parlour. |  |
| This report sets petition organise how the Counci | Council deals with petitions of this size; it explains that the the petition to the meeting and sets out the next steps as to the petition. |

## Recommendation(s):

Under the Council's petitions scheme, Council is required to refer the petition to Cabinet without debate for report back to Council.

| CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS |  |
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| Financial and <br> Value for <br> Money | There are no identified financial implications from this report. |
| Legal | This matter is dealt with under the Council's scheme for dealing with <br> petitions from the public which is contained within the constitution. |
| Corporate | In accordance with the Council's petition scheme if a petition has over 25, <br> but less than 650, signatories, it will be referred to Cabinet or an <br> appropriate committee without debate for report to Council within three <br> ordinary meetings. |
| Equalities Act |  |
| 2010 \& Public <br> Sector Equality <br> Duty | Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector <br> Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to <br> the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty <br> are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and <br> other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity <br> between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do |

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|  | not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a <br> protected characteristic and people who do not share it. |
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|  | Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, <br> gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy \& maternity. Only <br> aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage \& civil partnership. |
|  | Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report. <br> Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and <br> other conduct prohibited by the Act, |
| Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a <br> protected characteristic and people who do not share it |  |
| Foster good relations between people who share a protected <br> characteristic and people who do not share it. | There are no specific equity and equalities issues arising from this report. |
| However it is important to be aware of the Council's responsibility under <br> the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) and show evidence that due <br> consideration had been given to the equalities impact that may be brought <br> upon communities by the decisions made by Council. |  |


| CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{J}$ |  |
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| A clean and welcoming <br> Environment |  |
| Promoting inward investment and <br> job creation |  |
| Supporting neighbourhoods | $\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$ |


| CORPORATE VALUES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$ |  |
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| Delivering value for money |  |
| Supporting the Workforce |  |
| Promoting open communications | $\checkmark$ |

### 1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1 Under the terms of the Council's petitions scheme, members of the public may present petitions at ordinary meetings of Council; and if a petition has over 25, but less than 650, signatories, it will be referred to Cabinet or an appropriate committee without debate for report to Council within three ordinary meetings.

### 2.0 The Current Situation

2.1 A petition organised by Mr Smith-Stewart has been validly signed by 94 persons. The petition prayer and justification reads:
"We the undersigned petition the council to reaffirm that there will be no sale or disposal of the buildings known as Margate Museum and the Mayor's Parlour.

The Museum is ideally placed on its existing site, and only requires an extension into the Mayor's Parlour where a lift was to be installed to comply with the Disability Discrimination Act.

The Mayor's Parlour also known originally as a municipal building was funded by the widow of Mayor Kendall and must continue for mayoral use.

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The Tudor House and Maltings are not suitable to take all the museum artefacts, a heritage lottery bid needs to be revisited for all for these buildings as a matter of urgency."
2.2 The petition organiser is entitled to present their petition to Council, and in accordance with the Council's petition scheme has three minutes to present the petition.
2.3 Mr Smith-Stewart has informed the Council that he will be in attendance to present the petition.

### 3.0 Next Steps

3.1 Under the Council's petitions scheme, Council is required to refer the petition to Cabinet for report back to Council within three ordinary meetings.

| Contact Officer: | Nick Hughes, Committee Services Manager (7208) |
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| Reporting to: | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance |

## Annex List

None $\quad$ N/A

Background Papers

| Title | Details of where to access copy |
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| None | N/A |

## Corporate Consultation

| Finance | Gary Whittaker, Interim Head of Financial Services |
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| Legal | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance \& Monitoring Officer |

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## PETITION REGARDING THE PORT OF RAMSGATE

Council
Report Author

Portfolio Holder

Status

Classification:
Key Decision

6 December 2018
Nick Hughes, Committee Services Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer

Councillor Ashbee, Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance and Coastal Development

For recommendation
Unrestricted
No

## Executive Summary:

A petition containing 1119 valid signatures and an e-petition containing 154 valid signatures was received by the Council requesting that the council accept that the signatories have no confidence in the Council's operation of the Royal Harbour and Port; so demand that Thanet District Council create an independent working party to investigate the losses and bring forward a comprehensive regeneration plan within six months.

This report sets out how the Council deals with petitions of this size; it explains that the petition will be presented to the to the meeting and sets out the next steps as to how the Council will deal with the petition.

## Recommendation(s):

In accordance with 1.6(b) of the Council's petitions scheme, following presentation of the petition, Council refer the petition to Cabinet without debate as the petition is in reference to an executive function.

| CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS |  |
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| Financial and <br> Value for <br> Money | There are no identified financial implications from this report. |
| Legal | This matter is dealt with under the Council's scheme for dealing with <br> petitions from the public which is contained within the constitution. |
| Corporate | In accordance with the Council's petition scheme if a petition has over 25, <br> but less than 650, signatories, it will be referred to Cabinet or an <br> appropriate committee without debate for report to Council within three <br> ordinary meetings. |
| Equalities Act <br> 2010 \& Public <br> Sector Equality <br> Duty | Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector <br> Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to <br> the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty <br> are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and |

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|  | other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity <br> between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do <br> not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a <br> protected characteristic and people who do not share it. |
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|  | Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, <br> gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy \& maternity. Only <br> aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage \& civil partnership. |
|  | Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report. |
| Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and <br> other conduct prohibited by the Act, |  |
| Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a <br> protected characteristic and people who do not share it |  |
| Foster good relations between people who share a protected <br> characteristic and people who do not share it. |  |

There are no specific equity and equalities issues arising from this report.
However it is important to be aware of the Council's responsibility under the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) and show evidence that due consideration had been given to the equalities impact that may be brought upon communities by the decisions made by Council.

| CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$ |  |
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| A clean and welcoming <br> Environment |  |
| Promoting inward investment and <br> job creation |  |
| Supporting neighbourhoods | $\checkmark$ |


| CORPORATE VALUES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$ |  |
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| Delivering value for money |  |
| Supporting the Workforce |  |
| Promoting open communications | $\checkmark$ |

### 1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1 The Council's petition scheme allows an e-petition and a paper petition to be run side by side as long as the petition prayers are identical and the paper petition is submitted at the end date of the e-petition. The number of signatories for both the paper and e-petition are reported separately, within the same report and the Council will take action based upon the threshold met by the largest petition.
1.2 If a petition contains more than 1,000 signatures, Council can debate the petition unless it falls into a category of exception as detailed at paragraph (a) and (b) of 1.6 of the scheme. In this case paragraph (b) would be appropriate, namely;
'(b) If the petition with 1000 or more signatures relates to an issue for which the executive (Cabinet) has responsibility, it may, following presentation, be referred by Council to Cabinet without debate.'

### 2.0 The Current Situation

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2.1 A paper petition and e-petition was organised by Mr Coombs the paper petition was validly signed by 1119 persons, and the e-petition was validly signed by 154 persons. The petition prayers for both petitions were identical and read:
"We the undersigned petition the council to accept we have no confidence in the Council's operation of the Royal Harbour and Port. So we demand that Thanet District Council create an independent working party to investigate the losses and bring forward a comprehensive regeneration plan within six months"
2.2 In accordance with the Council's petition scheme the petition may be presented to Council and the presenter has five minutes in which to do this.

### 3.0 Next Steps

3.1 Under paragraph 1.6 (b) of the Council's petitions scheme, if the petition with 1000 or more signatures relates to an issue for which the executive (Cabinet) has responsibility, it may, following presentation, be referred by Council to Cabinet without debate.

| Contact Officer: | Nick Hughes, Committee Services Manager (7208) |
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| Reporting to: | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance |

## Annex List

| None | N/A |
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Background Papers

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| None | N/A |

## Corporate Consultation

| Finance | Gary Whittaker, Interim Head of Financial Services |
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| Legal | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance \& Monitoring Officer |

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## QUESTION NO. 1 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING RIVEROAK STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP'S DCO APPLICATION

Council
Report Author
Portfolio Holder

Classification:

Key Decision
Ward:

6 December 2018
Committee Services Manager
Councillor Ashbee, Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance and Coastal Development

Unrestricted

## No

All Wards

## Executive Summary:

The Leader will receive a question from a Member of the public in relation to RiverOak Strategic Partnership's DCO application.

## Recommendation(s)

This report is for information.

| CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS |  |
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| Financial and <br> Value for <br> Money | There are no identified financial implications from this report. |
| Legal | There are no legal implications directly from this report. <br> Corporate <br> Council Procedure Rule 13 affords members of the public the opportunity <br> to ask questions of Members of the Cabinet at ordinary meetings of the <br> Council. <br> Equalities Act <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 0 ~ \& ~ P u b l i c ~}$ <br> Sector Equality <br> DutyMembers are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector <br> Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to <br> the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the <br> Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation <br> and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of <br> opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and <br> people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people <br> who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it. <br> Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, <br> gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy \& maternity. Only <br> aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage \& civil partnership. |
|  | Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report.Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and <br> other conduct prohibited by the Act, |

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|  | Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a <br> protected characteristic and people who do not share it |  |
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| Foster good relations between people who share a protected <br> characteristic and people who do not share it. |  |  |
|  | There are no specific equity and equalities issues arising from this report. |  |


| CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$ |  |
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| A clean and welcoming <br> Environment |  |
| Promoting inward investment and <br> job creation |  |
| Supporting neighbourhoods | x |


| CORPORATE VALUES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$ |  |
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| Delivering value for money |  |
| Supporting the Workforce |  |
| Promoting open communications | x |

### 1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1 The following question, addressed to the Leader has been received from Mr Green in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 13.

Highways England, Historic England, Natural England, Public Health England, KCC, CCC, and 1100 Thanet residents, have registered concerns regarding RSP's DCO application. Could he detail how the Council has engaged the applicant to produce a SoCG and LIR, what issues have been discussed, and included in a section 106 agreement.
1.2 Under Council Procedure Rule 13.6, the Chairman will invite the questioner to put their question to the Member named in the notice. If the questioner is not present, the question shall not be put and shall be answered in writing.
1.3 Under Council Procedure Rule 13.7, if the Member to whom the question is directed is present they will provide an oral answer. If that Member is not present, the question will be answered by the Leader or another Member nominated by the Leader for the purpose unless it is inappropriate for the Leader to give an oral answer or to nominate another Member to give an oral answer, in which case the question will be dealt with by a written answer.
1.4 The total time devoted to questions shall not exceed 30 minutes. Any question which cannot be dealt with during that time will be replied to in writing.

| Contact Officer: | Nick Hughes, Committee Services Manager |
| :--- | :--- |
| Reporting to: | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance and Monitoring Officer |

## Annex List

| None | N/A |
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## Background Papers

| Title | Details of where to access copy |
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| None | N/A |

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## Corporate Consultation

| Finance | Matt Sanham, Corporate Finance Manager |
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| Legal | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance and Monitoring Officer |

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## LEADER'S REPORT TO COUNCIL

Council
Report Author
Portfolio Holder
Status
Classification:
Key Decision

6 December 2018
Nick Hughes, Committee Services Manager
The Leader
For Information
Unrestricted
No

## Executive Summary:

To receive a report from the Leader in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.4

## Recommendation(s):

None - This report is for information only.

| CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS |  |
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| Financial and <br> Value for <br> Money | There are no financial implications directly arising from this report. |
| Legal | There are no legal implications arising from this report. |
| Corporate | The Leaders report helps to contribute to the promoting open <br> communications corporate value. |
| Equalities Act <br> 2010 \& Public <br> Sector Equality <br> Duty | Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector <br> Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to <br> the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty <br> are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and <br> other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity <br> between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do <br> not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a <br> protected characteristic and people who do not share it. |
| Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, <br> gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy \& maternity. Only <br> aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage \& civil partnership. |  |
|  | Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report. |
|  | Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and <br> other conduct prohibited by the Act, |
|  | Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a <br> protected characteristic and people who do not share it |
| Foster good relations between people who share a protected <br> characteristic and people who do not share it. | x |

## Agenda Item 10

|  | The Council demonstrates due regard to the aims of the Public Sector <br> Equality Duty when conducting its business, this due regard is mirrored in <br> the leaders report which provides an update on key issues arising since <br> the last meeting of Council. |
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| CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{l}$ |  |
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| A clean and welcoming <br> Environment |  |
| Promoting inward investment and <br> job creation |  |
| Supporting neighbourhoods |  |


| CORPORATE VALUES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{V}$ |  |
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| Delivering value for money |  |
| Supporting the Workforce |  |
| Promoting open communications | x |

### 1.0 Introduction and Background

### 1.1 Council Procedure Rule 2.4 provides that:

The Leader of the Council will make available in writing the content of his oral report to opposition group leaders no later than the Saturday before the meeting. The speech will not exceed ten minutes on key issues arising since the last meeting of Council.

The Leaders of any other political group may comment on the Leader's report. The comments of the Leaders of the other political groups shall be limited each to five minutes. The other Group Leaders will comment in an order determined by the number of Councillors within those political groups, with the largest group commenting first, and so on.

The Leader has a right of reply to each Group Leader limited to two minutes, in hierarchical order, to any comments made on his/her report.

The Leader of the Council, the Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of any other political group may appoint substitutes to speak on their behalf.

No motions may be moved nor resolutions passed under this item.

| Contact Officer: | Nicholas Hughes, Committee Services Manager |
| :--- | :--- |
| Reporting to: | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance and Monitoring Officer |

## Annex List

| None | N/A |
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## Background Papers

| Title | Details of where to access copy |
| :--- | :--- |
| None | N/A |

## Corporate Consultation

| Finance | Matt Sanham, Corporate Finance Manager |
| :--- | :--- |
| Legal | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance and Monitoring Officer |

## EXECUTIVE, POLICY \& COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO COUNCIL

| Council | 06 December 2018 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Report Author | Cllr Glenn Coleman-Cooke, Chairman of the Executive, <br> Policy \& Community Safety Scrutiny Panel |
| Status | For Information |
| Classification: | Unrestricted |
| Key Decision | No |
| Ward: | Thanet Wide |

## Executive Summary:

The purpose of the report is to highlight some of the key activities that have been planned for by the Executive Scrutiny Panel during the course of this 2018/19 municipal year and progress to date regarding implementation of the Panel's work programme.

## Recommendation(s):

1. Members are invited to discuss and note the report.

| CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Financial and <br> Value for <br> Money | There are no financial implications directly arising from this report. The <br> report provides a briefing to Full Council about the current work activities of <br> the Executive Scrutiny Panel. |
| Legal | There are no legal implications directly arising from this report. A presentation <br> of the Panel Chairman's report to Full Council enables the Chairman to fulfil <br> their duty as is required by the Council's Constitution. |
| Corporate | There are no corporate risks associated with this report. The report <br> enables discussion by Members at Full Council on the activities of the <br> Executive Scrutiny Panel. <br> The debate on the Panel Chairman's report contributes to open <br> communication across the council. A strong scrutiny function contributes to <br> an open democratic process for decision making and delivery of value for <br> money services as council decisions are interrogated by Members before <br> they are implemented. In instances where such decisions are interrogated <br> after implementation, there will be lessons to learn for future policy <br> development. |

## Agenda Item 11

| Equality Act |  |
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| $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ \& Public |  |
| Sector |  |
| Equality Duty | Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector <br> Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard <br> to the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the <br> Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation <br> and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of <br> opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and <br> people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people <br> who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it. <br> Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, <br> gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy \& maternity. Only <br> aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage \& civil partnership. |
| Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report. |  |
| Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other |  |
| conduct prohibited by the Act, |  |
| Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected |  |
| characteristic and people who do not share it |  |
| Foster good relations between people who share a protected |  |
| characteristic and people who do not share it. |  |
| No implications arise directly but the Council needs to retain a strong |  |
| focus and understanding on issues of diversity amongst the local |  |
| community and ensure service delivery matches these. |  |


| CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick <br> those relevant) |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| A clean and welcoming <br> Environment |  |
| Promoting inward investment and <br> job creation |  |
| Supporting neighbourhoods | $\checkmark$ |


| CORPORATE VALUES (tick <br> those relevant) $\checkmark$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Delivering value for money | $\checkmark$ |
| Supporting the Workforce |  |
| Promoting open communications | $\checkmark$ |

### 1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1 At each ordinary Full Council meeting, the Chairman of the each Overview and Scrutiny Panel presents a report on the work undertaken by the Panel since the last Council meeting.
1.2 Such a report would be subject to comment or debate by Members. This was in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.1 of Part 4 of the Council Constitution.
1.3 The report would therefore provide the basis for debate by Members on ongoing scrutiny activities and hopefully lead to sharing of views and ideas to enhance the Council's scrutiny function.

### 2.0 Current Scrutiny Activities

2.1 The Executive Scrutiny Panel met on 13 November to review their work programme to consider the report on 'Crime Stats in Thanet'. Kent Police representatives made a presentation before the Panel and spoke about the initiatives they had taken working in collaboration with other agencies to reduce crime, particularly anti-social behaviour in the district.
2.2 They had also taken part in the national campaign against Knife Crime (Operation Sceptre). This operation included many different strands of activity, a key one being enforcement in the Night Time Economy but also included preventative work and engagement with young people. Members engaged the Police in debate on a number of points from the presentation and at the end of the discussion requested for a presentation on 'Police response times to emergency calls.'
2.3 The Panel was also consulted on the Housing Allocations Policy proposals as part of the public consultation on the new proposals. Although Members acknowledged that the proposals looked appropriate, they made an important intervention by requesting that the Key Worker list should include Care Support Workers. This recommendation will be considered by Cabinet on 15 January 2019.
2.4 The current work programme for the Panel for 2018/19 is attached as Annex 1 to the Council report. This schedule is subject to amendments during the course of the year as Members added more items for reviewing.

### 3.0 Call-in of Executive decisions

3.1 Under the new scrutiny arrangements, the Executive Scrutiny Panel is responsible for all call-ins of executive decisions.
3.2 Members called in an Individual Cabinet Member decision on Digital Parking Pilot Project. The Panel felt that the information provided in the report accompanying the decision could have been more detailed.
3.3 The Executive acknowledged this point and indicated that the issue had since been resolved as the portfolio holder was given a briefing by officers. Additional information was provided to the Panel through the responses that were given by the Leader of Council who stood in for the portfolio holder.
3.4 At the end of the debate, the Panel did not take any further action, thereby making the decision implementable from that night.
4.0 Panel Recommendations to Cabinet - Implementation Monitoring
4.1 Asset Management - Thanet Museums report: The Panel requested Cabinet to 'Establish when the $£ 50 \mathrm{k}$ funds bequeathed to Dickens House would be made available to be used for the maintenance of the Museum and whether TDC had the right to dispose of the building.'
4.2 Cabinet considered the Panel recommendation on 18 October and agreed to address concerns raised in the recommendations; should Cabinet decide to proceed and

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agree to the marketing of the properties as part of the stage 1 of the disposals process.
4.3 Food Law Service Plan and Enforcement Policy report: Whilst recommending the policy for adoption by Council, the Panel also proposed that 'Cabinet identified funding for staff training and additional staffing in order to effectively deliver the highly needed statutory service.'
4.4 At the same meeting, Cabinet also considered and acknowledged the Panel recommendation. Since this issue is a policy framework matter, it would be finalised at Full Council on 06 December.

| Contact Officer: | Charles Hungwe, Senior Democratic Services Officer, Ext 7186 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Reporting to: | Nick Hughes, Committee Services Manager, Ext 7108 |

## Annex List

Annex 1 Executive, Policy \& Community Safety Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2018/19

## Background Papers

| Title | Details of where to access copy |
| :--- | :--- |
| None | N/A |

## Corporate Consultation

| Finance | Gary Whittaker, Interim Head of Financial \& Procurement Services |
| :--- | :--- |
| Legal | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance \& Monitoring Officer |

Table 1

| Executive, Policy \& Community Safety Scrutiny Panel Work Programme for 2018/19 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Meeting Date | Indicative Agenda Items | Issue Source |
| 13 November 2018 | Cabinet Member Presentation | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Crime Statistics for Thanet | Crime \& Disorder Partnership (Kent <br> Police) |
|  | Allocations Policy | Housing Item |
|  | Review of the Panel Work Programme <br> $2018 / 19$ | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Forward Plan \& Exempt Cabinet Report List | Standing Agenda Item |
| 31 January 2019 | Cabinet Member Presentation | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Post decision/implementation review - <br> Public Spaces Protection Order No. 3 (Anti- <br> Social Behaviour) (PSPO) | Safer Neighbourhoods |
|  | Review of Panel the Work Programme <br> 2018/19 | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Forward Plan \& Exempt Cabinet Report List | Standing Agenda Item |
| 21 February 2019 | Cabinet Member Presentation | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Review of the Panel Work Programme <br> $2018 / 19$ | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Annual Crime \& Disorder Partnership Report <br> for 2018/19 | Crime \& Disorder Partnership (TDC) |
|  | Forward Plan \& Exempt Cabinet Report List | Standing Agenda Item |
| 12 March 2019 | Cabinet Member Presentation | Standing Agenda Item |


|  | Review of the Panel Work Programme <br> $2018 / 19$ | Standing Agenda Item |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Annual proposals for Crime \& Disorder <br> Partnership Work Programme for 2019/20 | Crime \& Disorder Partnership (TDC) |
|  | Forward Plan \& Exempt Cabinet Report List | Standing Agenda Item |
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# FINANCE, BUDGET \& PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY PANEL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO COUNCIL 

Council 06 December 2018<br>Report Author Cllr Lynda Piper, Chairman of the Finance, Budget \& Performance Scrutiny Panel<br>Status<br>For Information<br>Classification: Unrestricted<br>Key Decision<br>No<br>Ward:<br>Thanet Wide

## Executive Summary:

The purpose of the report is to highlight some of the key activities that have planned for by the Finance Scrutiny Panel during the course of this 2018/19 municipal year and progress to date regarding implementation of the Panel's work programme.

## Recommendation(s):

1. Members are invited to discuss and note the report.

| CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Financial and <br> Value for <br> Money | There are no financial implications directly arising from this report. The <br> report provides a briefing to Full Council about the current work activities of <br> the Finance Scrutiny Panel. |
| Legal | There are no legal implications directly arising from this report. A presentation <br> of the Panel Chairman's report to Full Council enables the Chairman to fulfil <br> their duty as is required by the Council's Constitution. |
| Corporate | There are no corporate risks associated with this report. The report <br> enables discussion by Members at Full Council on the activities of the <br> Finance Scrutiny Panel. <br> The debate on the Panel Chairman's report contributes to open <br> communication across the council. A strong scrutiny function contributes to <br> an open democratic process for decision making and delivery of value for <br> money services as council decisions are interrogated by Members before <br> they are implemented. In instances where such decisions are interrogated <br> after implementation, there will be lessons to learn for future policy <br> development. |

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\text { Sector Equality } \\
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\text { the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty } \\
\text { are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and } \\
\text { other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity } \\
\text { between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do } \\
\text { not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a } \\
\text { protected characteristic and people who do not share it. }\end{array} \\
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\text { aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage \& civil partnership. }\end{array}
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Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report. <br>
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conduct prohibited by the Act, <br>
Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected <br>

characteristic and people who do not share it\end{array}\right\}\)| Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic |
| :--- |
| and people who do not share it. |
| No implications arise directly but the Council needs to retain a strong focus |
| and understanding on issues of diversity amongst the local community and |
| ensure service delivery matches these. |
| It is important to be aware of the Council's responsibility under the Public |
| Sector Equality Duty (PSED) and show evidence that due consideration |
| had been given to the equalities impact that may be brought upon |
| communities by the decisions made by Council. |


| CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick <br> those relevant) |  |
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| A clean and welcoming <br> Environment |  |
| Promoting inward investment and <br> job creation |  |
| Supporting neighbourhoods | $\checkmark$ |


| CORPORATE VALUES (tick <br> those relevant) $\checkmark$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Delivering value for money | $\checkmark$ |
| Supporting the Workforce |  |
| Promoting open communications | $\checkmark$ |

### 1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1 At each ordinary Full Council meeting, the Chairman of the each Overview and Scrutiny Panel presents a report on the work undertaken by the Panel since the last Council meeting.
1.2 Such a report would be subject to comment or debate by Members. This was in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.1 of Part 4 of the Council Constitution.
1.3 The report would therefore provide the basis for debate by Members on ongoing scrutiny activities and hopefully lead to sharing of views and ideas to enhance the Council's scrutiny function.
1.4 This report follows on from the one presented at Full Council on 11 October.

### 2.0 Current Scrutiny Activities

2.1 The Panel met twice since the Full Council meeting in October.
2.2 One of the key items on the agenda for the 23 October Panel meeting was the presentation on the performance of the Ramsgate Port \& Harbour by the Leader of Council.
2.3 There was quite a detailed discussion on the port finances as Members sought to find out how the port and harbour were performing and whether there were any other considerations to explore other potential opportunities for developing the asset.
2.4 A number of questions were forwarded to the Leader as part of the preparation for the meeting and these were responded to as part of the presentation by the Leader of Council Members had the opportunity to ask additional supplementary questions as part of the discussion and were individually responded to by the Leader.
2.5 The Panel was offered a further informal working session to explain the processes behind how the Port and Harbour finances are reported by Council as it was hoped that this approach would provide more clarity on the subject.
2.6 In concluding the debate, the Leader indicated that the Council would like to see the budget deficit relating to the Port and Harbour go down and was working on ways to improve the situation. It was further agreed that the Port and Harbour would be added to the topics for a future Members Briefing session. The Leader further indicated that the council would continue to look for ways of communicating the information regarding the Port and Harbour in an improved way and on a continuous basis.
2.7 The Panel also considered proposals for the 2019/20 Council Fees \& Charges at the meeting on 20 November and forwarded the following recommendations to Cabinet:

1. To consider removing the fee for cremation services of children under the age of seven years;
2. To review the costs for cremation services for all age groups, having considered similar charges in other districts;
3. To review the licensing fee charges in order to determine whether it was appropriate that there was no increases in licensing fees across the board;
4. To consider whether it was appropriate to set up an all party cabinet advisory group to look at future fees and charges.
2.8 The current work programme for the Panel for 2018/19 is attached as Annex 1 to the Council report. This schedule is subject to amendments during the course of the year as Members added more items for reviewing.

### 3.0 Cabinet Presentations at Panel Meetings

3.1 As reported above the Panel received a presentation on the 'financial and operational performance of the Ramsgate Port and Harbour.' As a result of the discussions that followed on the presentation, it was agreed that the topic be presented again at a future Members Briefing session.

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### 4.0 Panel Recommendations to Cabinet - Implementation Monitoring

4.1 There Panel made some recommendations regarding the proposed fees and charges for 2019/20. At the time of writing this report, the Cabinet was still to meet for an extraordinary meeting to consider those recommendations which are reported elsewhere in this report.

| Contact Officer: | Charles Hungwe, Senior Democratic Services Officer, Ext 7186 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Reporting to: | Nick Hughes, Committee Services Manager, Ext 7108 |

## Annex List

Annex 1 Finance, Budget \& Performance Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2018/19

## Background Papers

| Title | Details of where to access copy |
| :--- | :--- |
| None | N/A |

## Corporate Consultation

| Finance | Gary Whittaker, Interim Head of Financial \& Procurement Services |
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| Legal | Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance \& Monitoring Officer |

TABLE 1

| Finance, Budget \& Performance Scrutiny Panel Work Programme for 2018/19 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Meeting Date | Indicative Agenda Items | Issue Source |
| 20 November 2018 | Cabinet Member Presentation | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Quarterly Performance Report Q2 2018/19 | Financial Services Item |
|  | Fees and Charges 2019-20 | Financial Services Item |
|  | Review of Panel the Work Programme 2018/19 | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Forward Plan \& Exempt Cabinet Report List | Standing Agenda Item |
|  |  | Cabinet Member Presentation (to be combined with the budget item) |
| 24 January 2019 | Budget 2019/20 | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Review of the Panel Work Programme 2018/19 | Financial Services |
|  | Forward Plan \& Exempt Cabinet Report List | Standing Agenda Item |
|  |  | Standing Agenda Item |
| $\mathbf{1 4 ~ F e b r u a r y ~ 2 0 1 9 ~}$ | Cabinet Member Presentation |  |
|  | Quarterly Performance Report Q3 2018/19 | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Review of the Panel Work Programme 2018/19 | Financial Services Item |
|  | Forward Plan \& Exempt Cabinet Report List | Standing Agenda Item |
|  |  | Standing Agenda Item |
| $\mathbf{2 3 ~ A p r i l ~ 2 0 1 9 ~}$ | Cabinet Member Presentation |  |
|  | Quarterly Performance Report Q4 2018/19 | Standing Agenda Item |
|  | Review of the Panel Work Programme 2018/19 | Financial Services Item |
|  | Forward Plan \& Exempt Cabinet Report List | Standing Agenda Item |
|  |  | Standing Agenda Item |

## 2019-20 FEES AND CHARGES

## Council

Report Author
Portfolio Holder

Status
Classification:
Key Decision
Ward:

6 December 2018
Tim Willis, Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer
Cllr lan Gregory, Cabinet Member for Financial Services \& Estates

For Decision
Unrestricted
Budget and Policy Framework
All

## Executive Summary:

A review of fees and charges has now been completed as part of the budget build. The proposed fees and charges are expected to generate additional income of around $£ 189 \mathrm{~K}$, which represents an increase of $2.0 \%$. This excludes items such as Selective Licensing and On Street Parking.

## Recommendation(s):

1. That Council consider and approve the fees and charges as listed in Annex 1, subject to any amendment following Cabinet's determination of the Finance, Budget and Performance Scrutiny Panel recommendations.

| CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Financial and <br> Value for <br> Money | The financial implications have been reflected within the body of the <br> report. However were members to decide to reject any of the proposals, <br> then additional savings of the same value would be required to deliver a <br> balanced budget. |
| Legal | Section 151 of the 1972 Local Government Act requires a suitably <br> qualified named officer to keep control of the council's finances. For this <br> council, it is the Deputy Chief Executive (S151 Officer), and this report is <br> helping to carry out that function. <br> Local authorities have a variety of powers to charge for specific statutory <br> services as set out in section 42 of the Local Government Act 2003. <br> The power to charge for discretionary services is not available to local <br> authorities if there is a statutory duty to provide the service or if there is <br> a specific power to charge for it or if there is a prohibition on charging. <br> The Localism Act 2011 provides local authorities with a general power <br> of competence that confers on them the power to charge for services <br> but again subject to conditions/limitations similar to those noted above. |

$\left.\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|}\hline & \begin{array}{l}\text { Any decision made by the council must give due regard to the Public } \\ \text { Sector Equality Duty section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. }\end{array} \\ \hline \text { Corporate } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Corporate priorities can only be delivered with robust finances and this } \\ \text { report gives Members the opportunity to review the council's proposed } \\ \text { fees and charges for 2019-20 as part of the budget process. }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Equalities Act } \\ \text { 2010 \& Public } \\ \text { Sector Equality } \\ \text { Duty }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector } \\ \text { Equality Duty (PSED) (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due } \\ \text { regard to the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims } \\ \text { of the Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, } \\ \text { victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality } \\ \text { of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and } \\ \text { people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people } \\ \text { who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it. }\end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l}\text { Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, } \\ \text { gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy \& maternity. Only } \\ \text { aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage \& civil partnership. }\end{array} \\ \begin{array}{ll}\text { Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report. }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and } \\ \text { other conduct prohibited by the Act, }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a } \\ \text { protected characteristic and people who do not share it }\end{array} & \checkmark \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Foster good relations between people who share a protected } \\ \text { characteristic and people who do not share it. }\end{array} & \checkmark \\ \hline \text { The Equality Act 2010 (the "Act") came into force on 1 October 2010 and } \\ \text { brings together over 116 separate pieces of legislation in order to create a } \\ \text { framework to protect the rights of individuals and advance equality of } \\ \text { opportunity for all. } \\ \text { The Equality and Human Rights Commission recognises that with major } \\ \text { reductions in public spending, local government has to make difficult and } \\ \text { often unpopular decisions regarding funding and service provision. Thanet } \\ \text { District Council has statutory public sector equality duties concerned with } \\ \text { eliminating unlawful discrimination, advancing equality of opportunity and } \\ \text { fostering good relations on the basis of protected characteristics such as } \\ \text { gender, race, disability or age. These duties do not prevent the council } \\ \text { reducing services or charging where necessary - provided that decisions } \\ \text { are taken in accordance with the Act. }\end{array} \right\rvert\, \begin{array}{l}\text { An analysis of the impacts fees and charges might have to the statutory } \\ \text { equality duties encouraged Thanet District Council to take a proportionate }\end{array}\right\}$

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|  | approach to fees and charges. EIAs tailored the necessary mitigations <br> and exceptions, for example. <br> The council is satisfied that, in all the circumstances, the Schedule of <br> 2019-20 fees and charges, those subject to an EIA, are lawful for the <br> purposes of the public sector equality duties in the Equality Act 2010. |
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| The council recognises that EIAs are not an end in themselves. They are, <br> of course, a way of showing that due regard has been paid to the general <br> duties; but the council will continue, all-the-time, engaging with the equality <br> considerations, accepting comments and opinions from stakeholders and <br> maintain a positive relationship with the Equality and Human Rights <br> Commission. |  |


| CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$ |  |
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| A clean and welcoming <br> Environment | $\checkmark$ |
| Promoting inward investment and <br> job creation | $\checkmark$ |
| Supporting neighbourhoods | $\checkmark$ |


| CORPORATE VALUES (tick <br> those relevant) $\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$ |  |
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| Delivering value for money | $\checkmark$ |
| Supporting the Workforce |  |
| Promoting open communications |  |

## 1. Introduction and Background

1.1. This report seeks Council approval to set fees and charges for 2019-20. Fees and charges have historically been agreed early in the budget cycle so that they can be built into individual service estimates. This covering report summarises the main points, with the detail being provided in Annex 1. It should be noted that annex 1 may need to be revised and updated as a result of Cabinet's consideration of Finance, Budget and Performance Scrutiny Panel recommendations (see section 1.5 and 1.6 below).
1.2. A rigorous examination of all the council's fees and charges was undertaken by the service managers, using techniques such as benchmarking and other in-depth reviews.
1.3. Service managers also completed Equality Impact Assessments as per the requirement of the Public Sector Equality Duty and hence informed their design of the service and price.
1.4 Changes to bring to Members' attention:
i) Parking - Charges per hour are rounded to a 10 p charge denomination. This charge supports the software within the machines which take a minimum of 5 p. To reduce the cost of cash collection coinage the parking charges are rounded to 10p.
ii) In response to feedback, the first hour charge at seasonal car parks has been reduced - the daily charge remains the same.

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iii) Free car parking is still available on Saturdays in Margate, Broadstairs and Ramsgate. This has been changed in Broadstairs from Vere Road to St Peter's Park Road.
iv) A charge is being introduced to support the call out charges for opening the multi storey car parks out of hours. This charge covers the call out and staff cost.
v) Planning - 20\% increase in fees reflects the change made by Central Government. This extra income is required to be re-invested in the planning service.
vi) Building Control - Domestic Structural Design service will no longer be offered.
1.5 The proposed fees and charges were considered and approved by Cabinet on 15 November 2018 followed by Finance, Budget and Performance Scrutiny Panel on 20 November 2018. The Scrutiny Panel made the following recommendations to Cabinet;
i) To consider removing the fee for cremation services of children under the age of seven years;
ii) To review the costs for cremation services for all age groups, having considered similar charges in other districts;
iii) To review the licensing fee charges in order to determine whether it was appropriate that there was no increases in licensing fees across the board;
iv) To consider whether it was appropriate to set up an all party Cabinet advisory group to look at future fees and charges.
1.6 Cabinet is due to consider the Panel's recommendations at an extraordinary meeting on 6 December 2018 prior to Full Council. A verbal update on Cabinet's decisions will be provided at the meeting.

## 2. Implications

2.1. Annex 1 to this report sets out the proposed level of fees and charges for 2019-20 in respect of services provided by the council. As a result of reviewing all the council's fees and charges, additional income of $£ 189 \mathrm{~K}$ is anticipated in 2019-20. Table 1 compares 2018-19 to the proposed 2019-20 fees and charges. The proposals represent an increase in income of $2.0 \%$. Some charges have remained at 2018-19 prices; others have increased to reflect parity with other authorities and some to cover cost of providing the service.

Table 1 - Comparison with previous year

|  | $2018-19$ | $2019-20$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Income Increase | $£ 390,000$ | $£ 189,000$ |
| Percentage Increase | $4.0 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ |

2.2. The major changes proposed to fees and charges 2019-20 can be summarised in Table 2:

Table 2 - Summary of major changes

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| Ref | Type of Fees \& Charges | New Fees | Deleted Fees | Increased Fees |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Car Parks - Off Street | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 2. | Car Parks - On Street | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 4. | Crematorium | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 5. | Cemeteries | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 7. | Refuse - Bulky |  |  | $\checkmark$ |
| 8. | Green Waste | . |  | $\checkmark$ |
| 17. | Water Users | $\checkmark$ | . | $\checkmark$ |
| 18. | B'stairs \& M'gate Harbour | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 19. | Ramsgate Harbour/Port | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 27 | Planning | . |  | $\checkmark$ |
| 32. | Building Control | - | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 37. | Property Services | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |

Note: A tick shows that there has been a change. A blank means no change.

## 3. Options

3.1. Council could notify officers of any changes required. If there are changes to those recommended that result in reduced income, then this will create a shortfall in the budget that will need to be funded from another source.
3.2. That Council approves the fees and charges for 2019-20.

## 4. Next Steps

4.1. If Council accepts the recommendations then the additional income generated by these proposals will be reflected in the 2019-20 budget report to the Council in February 2019.

| Contact Officer: | Joanne Kemp, Finance Manager |
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| Reporting to: | Matthew Sanham, Financial Services Manager |

## Annex List

Annex $1 \quad$ Fees and Charges Schedule 2019-20

## Background Papers

| Title |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| None |  |

## Corporate Consultation

| Finance | Gary Whittaker, Interim Head of Financial and Procurement Services |
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| Legal | Sophia Nartey, Interim Head of Legal Services |
| Communications | Hannah Thorpe, Head of Communications |

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| CHARGES 2018/2019 <br> £ | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { INC. } \\ \text { VAT } \\ *[1] \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { ESTIMATED } \\ \text { INCOME } \\ \text { 2018/2019 } \\ £ \end{array}\right\|$ | DETAILS |  | Statutory/ Discretionary | DATE LAST CHANGED | charges <br> 2019/2020 <br> £ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { INC. } \\ \text { VAT } \\ { }^{2}[2] \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { \% } \\ \text { CHANGE } \end{gathered}$ |  | ESTIMATED income 2019/2020 £ |
| $£$ |  |  | 1st November to 31st March |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1.00 | SR |  | Per hour up to 4 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 1.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 0.01 | SR |  | Each minute between 1 hour and 5 hours | removed | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | SR | -100.00\% | -0.01 |  |
| 5.00 | SR |  | Over 5 hours (until 10.00 pm ) |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 5.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot between 1 hour and 5 hours rounded up to 10p | new |  |  | 0.10 | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1st April to 31st October |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.00 | SR |  | First Hour |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 2.50 | SR | -37.50\% | -1.50 |  |
| 2.00 | SR |  | Per hour up to 4 hours |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 2.50 | SR | 25.00\% | 0.50 |  |
| 0.04 | SR |  | Each minute between 1 hour and 5 hours | removed | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | SR | -100.00\% | -0.04 |  |
| 12.00 | SR |  | Over 5 hours (until 10.00 pm ) |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 12.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot between 1 hour and 5 hours rounded up to 10p | new |  |  | 0.10 | SR |  |  |  |
| 2.50 | SR |  | Residents only-daily charge voucher scheme |  |  | 27-Jul-17 | 2.60 | SR | 4.00\% | 0.10 |  |
| 40.00 | SR |  | Residents only-book of 20 daily vouchers |  |  | 27-Jul-17 | 42.00 | SR | 5.00\% | 2.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | CHANDOS SQUARE, Broadstairs 7am - 10pm Linear after 1st hour |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 50,000 |
|  |  |  | Private motor cars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1st November to 31st March |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1.30 | SR |  | Per hour up to 4 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 1.40 | SR | 7.69\% | 0.10 |  |
| 0.02 | SR |  | Each minute between 1 hour and 5 hours | removed | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | SR | -100.00\% | -0.02 |  |
| 6.50 | SR |  | Over 5 hours (until 10.00 pm ) |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 7.00 | SR | 7.69\% | 0.50 |  |
|  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot between 1 hour and 5 hours rounded up to 10p | new |  |  | 0.10 | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1st April to 31st October |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.00 | SR |  | First Hour |  |  |  | 2.50 | SR | -37.50\% | -1.50 |  |
| 2.00 | SR |  | Per hour up to 4 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 2.50 | SR | 25.00\% | 0.50 |  |
| 0.03 | SR |  | Each minute between 1 hour and 5 hours | removed | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | SR | -100.00\% | -0.03 |  |
| 12.00 | SR |  | Over 5 hours (until 10.00 pm ) |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 12.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot between 1 hour and 5 hours rounded up to 10p | new |  |  | 0.10 | SR |  |  |  |
| 2.50 | SR |  | Residents only-daily charge voucher scheme |  |  | 27-Jul-17 | 2.60 | SR | 4.00\% | 0.10 |  |
| 40.00 | SR |  | Residents only-book of 20 daily vouchers |  |  | 27-Jul-17 | 42.00 | SR | 5.00\% | 2.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | MULTI STOREY CAR PARKS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Free Saturdays |  | 67,180 | MILL LANE MULTI STOREY CAR PARK, Margate 7am-7pm Linear after 1st hour |  |  |  | Free Saturdays |  |  |  | 70,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 7am - 7pm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Linear after 1st hour |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Private motor cars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1.30 | SR |  | Per hour up to 4 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 1.40 | SR | 7.69\% | 0.10 |  |
| 0.02 | SR |  | Each minute between 1 hour and 5 hours | removed | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | SR | -100.00\% | -0.02 |  |
| 6.50 | SR |  | Over 5 hours (until 7.00 pm ) |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 7.00 | SR | 7.69\% | 0.50 |  |
|  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot between 1 hour and 5 hours rounded up to 10p | new |  |  | 0.10 | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  | 115,450 | ROYAL HARBOUR (LEOPOLD STREET) MULTI STOREY CAR PARK, Ramsgate |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 149,000 |


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| £ |  | 9,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7am-10pm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Linear after 1st hour |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Private motor cars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1.30 | SR |  |  | Per hour up to 4 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 1.40 | SR | 7.69\% | 0.10 |  |
| 0.02 | SR |  |  | Each minute between 1 hour and 5 hours | removed | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | SR | -100.00\% | -0.02 |  |
| 6.50 | SR |  |  | Over 5 hours (until 10.00 pm ) |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 7.00 | SR | 7.69\% | 0.50 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot between 1 hour and 5 hours rounded up to 10p | new |  |  | 0.10 | SR |  |  |  |
| 3.50 | SR |  |  | Hoteliers Charge (bulk purchase) - 24 hour ticket |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 3.50 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Multi Storey car park release fee | new |  |  | 50.00 |  |  |  | 1,200 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Hartsdown Sports Cente |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Winter Gardens |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 22,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | New Inn Minster |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6,000 |
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|  |  |  |  | The Bell Minster |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4,000 |
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|  |  |  |  | Westbrook Lower Prom |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3,000 |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | CAVENDISH STREET, Ramsgate 7am -10pm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 50,000 |
|  |  |  |  | MEETING STREET, Ramsgate 7am -10pm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 43,000 |
|  |  |  |  | MARKET STREET, Margate 7am - 10pm Linear after 1st hour |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 75,000 |
|  |  |  |  | CROFT'S PLACE, Broadstairs 7am - 10pm Linear after 1st hour |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 57,000 |
|  |  |  |  | Linear after 1st hour |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Private motor cars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1.30 | SR |  |  | Per hour up to 2 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 1.40 | SR | 7.69\% | 0.10 |  |
| 0.02 | SR |  |  | Each minute between 1 hour and 4 hours | removed | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | SR | -100.00\% | -0.02 |  |
| 5.20 | SR |  |  | 4 hours (until 10.00 pm ) |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 5.60 | SR | 7.69\% | 0.40 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot between 1 hour and 4 hours rounded up to 10p | new |  |  | 0.10 | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | SEASONAL PAY AND DISPLAY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (a) | MINNIS BAY, Birchington, 7am - 10pm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 20,000 |
|  |  |  |  | Linear after 1st hour |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Summer Season 1 April to 31 October |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Private motor cars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2.00 | SR |  |  | Per hour up to 4 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 1.00 | SR | -50.00\% | -1.00 |  |



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|  |  |  |  |  | Summer Season 1 April to 31 October |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 10.00 | SR |  |  | Up to 4 hours | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 12.00 | SR | 20.00\% | 2.00 |  |
|  | 20.00 | SR |  |  | Over 4 hours and up to 15 hours (until 10.00 pm ) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 24.00 | SR | 20.00\% | 4.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 115,720 |  | SON TICKETS |  |  |  |  |  |  | 115,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | (a) | Annual |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 630.00 | SR |  |  | All Car Parks | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 630.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 480.00 | SR |  |  | All long term car parks only | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 480.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 380.00 | SR |  |  | Selected Car Parks | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 380.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | (b) | Half Year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 390.00 | SR |  |  | All Car Parks | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 390.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 300.00 | SR |  |  | All long term car parks only | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 300.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 230.00 | SR |  |  | Selected Car Parks | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 230.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | (c) | Monthly |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 80.00 | SR |  |  | All Car Parks | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 80.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 70.00 | SR |  |  | All long term car parks only | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 70.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 60.00 | SR |  |  | Selected Car Parks | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 60.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | (d) | Weekly |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 40.00 | SR | 550 |  | All Car Parks | Discretionary | 1-Apr-14 | 42.00 | SR | 5.00\% | 2.00 | 500 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | (e) | Weekly Coach |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Summer Season 1 April to 31 October |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 75.00 | SR |  |  | Vere Road, Joss Bay, Minnis Bay | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 90.00 | SR | 20.00\% | 15.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Off Season 1st November to 31 March |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 40.00 | SR |  |  | Vere Road | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 48.00 | SR | 20.00\% | 8.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 25.00 | SR |  |  | Replacement Discs | Discretionary | 11-Jun-15 | 25.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| (1) | 5.00 | SR |  |  | Change of Registration | Discretionary | 1-Apr-16 | 5.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 1,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| © |  |  | 99,720 |  | D PENALTY FINE - OFF STREET |  |  |  |  |  |  | 174,720 |
|  |  |  |  |  | d by Central Government) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 70.00 | NB |  | (a) | Higher level penalty charge | Statutory | 1-Apr-08 | 70.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 35.00 | NB |  | (b) | Higher level penalty charge - Payment within fourteen days | Statutory | 1-Apr-08 | 35.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 50.00 | NB |  | (c) | Lower level penalty charge | Statutory | 1-Apr-08 | 50.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 25.00 | NB |  | (d) | Lower level penalty charge - Payment within fourteen days | Statutory | 1-Apr-08 | 25.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | With effect from 31st March 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 0.03 | NB |  | Each minute thereafter up to 2 hours | removed |  | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | NB | -100.00\% | -0.03 |  |
|  | 4.40 | NB |  | 2 hours |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 4.60 | NB | 4.55\% | 0.20 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot thereafter rounded up to 10 p upto 2 hours | new |  |  | 0.10 | NB |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 9am - 6pm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Lawn Road, Broadstairs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1.10 | NB |  | Up to1/2 hour |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 1.10 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 2.20 | NB |  | Up to1 hour |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 2.20 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 4.40 | NB |  | Up to 2 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 4.40 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 6.60 | NB |  | Up to 3 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 6.60 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 8.80 | NB |  | Up to 4 hours |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 8.80 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 0.20 | NB |  | 10 Minutes |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-16 | 0.20 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 0.03 | NB |  | Each minute thereafter up to 4 hours | removed | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 0.00 | NB | -100.00\% | -0.03 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Each 10 minute slot thereafter rounded up to 10p upto 4 hours | new |  |  | 0.10 | NB |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | RESIDENTS PARKING |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 45,000 | RESIDENTS PARKING PERMITS Annual Fee |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 50,000 |
|  | 70.00 | NB |  | Margate West zone |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 74.00 | NB | 5.71\% | 4.00 |  |
|  | 70.00 | NB |  | Belmont Road Broadstairs |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 74.00 | NB | 5.71\% | 4.00 |  |
|  | 70.00 | NB |  | Addington Road Margate |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 74.00 | NB | 5.71\% | 4.00 |  |
|  | 70.00 | NB |  | Birchington |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 74.00 | NB | 5.71\% | 4.00 |  |
|  | 70.00 | NB |  | Victoria Parade, Broadstairs |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 74.00 | NB | 5.71\% | 4.00 |  |
|  | 70.00 | NB |  | Madeira |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 74.00 | NB | 5.71\% | 4.00 |  |
|  | 25.00 | NB |  | Replacement Discs |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-15 | 25.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 14,000 | RESIDENTS PARKING AREAS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14,000 |
|  | 3.50 | NB |  | Daily visitors tickets |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 3.60 | NB | 2.86\% | 0.10 |  |
|  | 2.50 | NB |  | Daily visitors tickets purchased in bulk (20 at a time) |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 2.60 | NB | 4.00\% | 0.10 |  |
|  | 400.00 | NB |  | Commercial premises sited in residential areas - per permit |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 415.00 | NB | 3.75\% | 15.00 |  |
|  | 20.00 | NB |  | Motorcycle permits |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 21.00 | NB | 5.00\% | 1.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 25.00 | NB |  | Replacement Permit |  | Discretionary | 11-Jun-15 | 25.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| $\stackrel{\otimes}{\mathrm{D}}$ | 5.00 | NB |  | Change of registration |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-16 | 5.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\square$ |  |  |  | FIXED PENALTY FINE - ON STREET |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 80,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 172,000 |
|  |  |  | 200,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 428,000 |
|  |  |  |  | (Fixed by Central Government) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 70.00 | NB |  | Higher level penalty charge |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-08 | 70.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 35.00 | NB |  | Higher level penalty charge - Payment within fourteen days |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-08 | 35.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 50.00 | NB |  | Lower level penalty charge |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-08 | 50.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 25.00 | NB |  | Lower level penalty charge - Payment within fourteen days |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-08 | 25.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |


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|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { ESTIMATED } \\ \text { INCOME } \\ \text { 2018/2019 } \\ £ \end{gathered}$ | DETAILS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 258.50 | EX |  | Person 12-17 years |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 258.50 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 681.80 | EX | 1,097,510 | Person over 18 years (after 10 am ) -use of chapel for 30 minutes |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 730.00 | EX | 7.07\% | 48.20 | 1,168,000 |
| 498.75 | EX |  | Person over 18 years (before 10am) - use of chapel for 20 minutes |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 520.00 | EX | 4.26\% | 21.25 |  |
| 25.00 | EX | 41,250 | Medical Referee |  |  | 1-Apr-10 | 26.00 | EX | 4.00\% | 1.00 | 41,600 |
| 100.00 | EX | 169,400 | Environmental Surcharge (additional to adult cremation fee and full cemetery burial-per adult cremation and full burial) |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-11 | 100.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 164,800 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ADDITIONAL CHARGES - CREMATORIUM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 450.00 | EX |  | Weekend service (by request only and in addition to cremation fee) by the funeral director |  |  | 1-Aug-16 | 460.00 | EX | 2.22\% | 10.00 |  |
| 115.00 | EX | 7,130 | Additional chapel hire - total 1 hour in chapel |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 120.00 | EX | 4.35\% | 5.00 |  |
| 15.00150.00 | EX | 110 | Bearers fee |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-11 | deleted | EX |  |  | 0 |
|  | EX |  | Service Overrun |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 165.00 | EX | 10.00\% | 15.00 |  |
|  |  |  | in excess of 35 minutes ( 20 minutes for 9.00 and 9.30 services) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | WESLEY MUSIC SYSTEM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.20 | EX |  | Wesley music system (mandatory payment with all adult cremations) |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 5.75 | EX | 10.58\% | 0.55 |  |
| 72.00 | SR |  | Webcasting of Service |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 78.00 | SR | 8.33\% | 6.00 |  |
| 50.00 | SR |  | $C D$ recording of service |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 50.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 25.00 | SR |  | Additional copy of CD |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 30.00 | SR | 20.00\% | 5.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | WESLEY VISUAL TRIBUTE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.00 | SR |  | Minute of video |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 9.00 | SR | 50.00\% | 3.00 |  |
| 40.00 | SR |  | 2-16 photos |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 54.00 | SR | 35.00\% | 14.00 |  |
| 51.00 | SR |  | 17-25 photos |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 64.00 | SR | 25.49\% | 13.00 |  |
| 76.00 | SR |  | 26-50 photos |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 100.00 | SR | 31.58\% | 24.00 |  |
| 20.00 | SR |  | 1 holding image during the service |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 25.00 | SR | 25.00\% | 5.00 |  |
| 60.00 | SR |  | DVD recording of service |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 72.00 | SR | 20.00\% | 12.00 |  |
| 25.00 | SR |  | Additional copy of DVD |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 30.00 | SR | 20.00\% | 5.00 |  |
| 20.00 | SR |  | DVD of the tribute only |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 28.00 | SR | 40.00\% | 8.00 |  |
| 90.00 | SR |  | DVD recording of the service including the tribute |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | $\begin{array}{r} 108.00 \\ \text { at cost }+20 \% \end{array}$ | SR | 20.00\% | 18.00 |  |
|  |  |  | Late tribute fee | new |  |  | admin+vat | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | DISPOSAL OF CREMATED REMAINS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| free |  |  | Scatter of ashes in crematorium grounds |  |  |  | free |  | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| free |  |  | Supply of container for release |  |  |  | free |  | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 78.50 | SR |  | Memorial plaque in scattering area 1 year lease |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 78.50 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 190.00 | SR |  | Memorial plaque in scattering area 3 year lease |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 190.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Garden of rest Thanet Crematorium |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 362.25 | EX | 30,940 | Exclusive right of plot for the interment of ashes in caskets or urns ( 50 years) |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 375.00 | EX | 3.52\% | 12.75 | 26,000 |
| 540.00 | EX |  | Exclusive right of plot for the interment of ashes in caskets or urns (75 years) |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 550.00 | EX | 1.85\% | 10.00 |  |
| 157.50 | NB | 27,640 | Interment of ashes in caskets or urns |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 160.00 | NB | 1.59\% | 2.50 | 25,000 |

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|  |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { ESTIMATED } \\ \text { INCOME } \\ \text { 2018/2019 } \\ £ \end{gathered}\right.$ | DETAILS |  |  | Statutoryl Discretionary | DATE LAST <br> CHANGED |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25.00 | NB |  |  | Copy of deed |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 25.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 700 |
| n/a | EX |  |  | Topping up of burial rights (not available until only 20 years remaining) |  |  | 1-Apr-17 |  | EX |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { at cost }+30 \% \\ & + \text { VAT } \end{aligned}$ | SR |  |  | Forwarding ashes within Great Britain (including postage, packing |  | Discretionary |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { at cost }+30 \% \\ +\mathrm{VAT} \end{array}$ | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | \& approved container) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Discretionary |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 105.00 | EX | 3,330 |  | Disposal of ashes from other crematoria (for scatter or auger plot) |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 110.00 | EX | 4.76\% | 5.00 | 2,400 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10.0010.00 | NB |  |  | Copy of green registrar's certificate |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 10.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Copy of cremated remains certificate |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 10.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22.00 | SR | 310 |  | Family history searches |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 23.00 | SR | 4.55\% | 1.00 | 800 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 98.00 | NB | 8,750 |  | Auger Plot - interment of ashes |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 105.00 | NB | 7.14\% | 7.00 | 10,000 |
| 105.00 | NB |  |  | Auger interments and scatters from other crematoria |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 110.00 | NB | 4.76\% | 5.00 |  |
| 45.00 | EX |  |  | Permission for auger marker |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 45.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Roses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 350.00 | SR |  |  | Individual rose with granite style marker 10 year lease |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 350.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 400.00 | SR |  |  | Standard rose with granite style marker 10 year lease |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 400.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| TBC | SR |  |  | Renewal of lease Individual rose for 10 years |  |  | 1-Apr-17 |  | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | SR |  |  | Renewal of lease standard rose for 10 years |  |  | 1-Apr-17 |  | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 350.00TBC | SR |  |  | Mature Tree (interment only) + granite style marker 10 year lease |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 350.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Renewal of lease (every 10 years) |  |  | 1-Apr-17 |  | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 90.00 | NB |  |  | Weekend cremated remains interment - usual fee + |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 90.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Inscription in books of remembrance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 65.00 | SR | 11,680 |  | Two lines |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 70.00 | SR | 7.69\% | 5.00 | 13,000 |
| 30.00 | SR |  |  | Each additional line |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 30.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Pin for electronic book | new |  |  | 18.00 | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | First additional page for electronic book | new |  |  | 36.00 | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Additional pages for electronic book of remembrance (maximun 3) | new |  |  | 30.00 | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 6,280 |  | Memorial plaques |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12,300 |
| 180.00 | SR |  |  | Purchase and Lease for 5 years |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-13 | 190.00 | SR | 5.56\% | 10.00 |  |
| 95.00 | SR |  |  | Purchase and Lease for 1 year |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 100.00 | SR | 5.26\% | 5.00 |  |
| 45.00 | EX | 5,490 |  | Existing plaque - renewal per five years |  |  | 1-Aug-16 | 160.00 | EX | 6.67\% | 10.00 |  |
|  | EX |  |  | Existing plaque - renewal per 1 year |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-14 | 45.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Memorial Bench Plaque (when available) - Lease of space for 5 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



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| 330.00 | NB |  |  |  | Additional charge for interment at less than 3 working days' notice | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 340.00 | NB | 3.03\% | 10.00 |  |
| 75.00 | NB |  |  |  | Late funerals - each 15 minutes delay | Discretionary | 1-Apr-16 | 75.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 22.00 | SR |  |  |  | Family Search fee | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 23.00 | SR | 4.55\% | 1.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Memorial Fees |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 175.00 | EX | 9,150 |  |  | Cemetery Headstone Memorial (Adult) (not exceeding 4ft) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 178.00 | EX | 1.71\% | 3.00 | 10,500 |
| 210.00 | EX |  |  |  | Cemetery Headstone Memorial (Adult) (not exceeding 5ft) |  | 1-Apr-18 | 214.00 | EX | 1.90\% | 4.00 |  |
| 275.00 | EX |  |  |  | Cemetery Headstone Memorial (Adult) (not exceeding 6 ft ) |  | 1-Apr-18 | 280.00 | EX | 1.82\% | 5.00 |  |
| 275.00 | EX |  |  |  | Kerb Surrond - single (Adult) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 280.00 | EX | 1.82\% | 5.00 |  |
| 410.00 | EX |  |  |  | Kerb Surrond - double (Adult) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 415.00 | EX | 1.22\% | 5.00 |  |
| 120.00 | EX |  |  |  | Cemetery Headstone Memorial (Child's) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-15 | 120.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 120.00 | EX |  |  |  | Kerb Surround (Child's) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-15 | 120.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 70.00 | NB | 1,260 |  |  | Additional Inscription, Vase or Memorial under 12" tall | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 72.00 | NB | 2.86\% | 2.00 | 1,500 |
| 80.00 | EX |  |  |  | Landing memorials |  | 1-Apr-18 | 80.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 30.00 | SR |  |  |  | Memorial Inspection Fee | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 30.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 110.00 | EX |  |  |  | Replacement of existing memorial |  | 1-Apr-18 | 112.00 | EX | 1.82\% | 2.00 |  |
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|  |  | 100,000 | 6. | COMMERCIAL WASTE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 100,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  | MERCIAL WASTEPriced per lift. ad hoc collections or contracted price remains same. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P.O.A | NB |  |  |  | 1100 L Refuse bin per collection |  |  | P.O.A | NB |  |  |  |
| P.O.A | NB |  |  |  | 1100L mixed recycling bin per collection |  |  | P.O.A |  |  |  |  |
| P.O.A | NB |  |  |  | 1100 L paper and card bin per collection |  |  | P.O.A | NB |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  | 240L Refuse bin per collection |  |  | P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  |
| P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  | 240L mixed recycling bin per collection |  |  | P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  |
| P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  | 240 L paper and card bin per collection |  |  | P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  | Refuse sack per collection |  |  | P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  |
| P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  | Mixed recycling sack per collection |  |  | P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  |
| P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  | Paper and card sack per collection |  |  | P.O.A. | NB |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | Z. | BULKY WASTE COLLECTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25.00 | NB | 37,560 |  |  | Charge including collection of up to 5 items or up to 15 black sacks of household waste |  | 1-Apr-15 | 25.50 | NB | 2.00\% | 0.50 | 40,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25.00 | NB |  |  |  | Fridge Freezers |  | 1-Apr-17 | 25.50 | NB | 2.00\% | 0.50 |  |
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|  | 300.00 | NB |  |  | Black 660Ltr Waste Bin - metal |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 300.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 325.00 | NB |  |  | Black 940Ltr Chamberlain Bin - metal |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 325.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 425.00 | NB |  |  | Black 1280Ltr Waste Bin = metal |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 425.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 10.00 | NB | 14,000 |  | Seagull Sack |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 10.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 14,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Recycling |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 9.00 | NB |  |  | Food Bin (Brown) |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 9.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 8.00 | NB |  |  | Kitchen Caddy (silver) |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 8.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 8.00 | NB |  |  | Red Sack |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 8.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 9.50 | NB |  |  | Blue Mixed Recycling Box |  |  | 1-Apr-17 | 9.50 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 48.00 | NB |  |  | Red or Blue 240Ltr Mixed Recycling Bin |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 48.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 55.00 | NB |  |  | Red or Blue 360 Ltr Bin - plastic |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 55.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 300.00 | NB |  |  | Red or Blue 660 Ltr Bin - metal |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 300.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 425.00 | NB |  |  | Red or Blue 1280Ltr Bin - Metal |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 425.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 38.00 | NB |  |  | Food 180 Ltr Bin |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 38.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | STREET CLEANSING |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | Provision of Litter Bins for Events |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 25.00 | SR | 1,250 |  | Delivery of bins to one site | deleted |  | 1-Apr-18 | Deleted | SR |  |  | 1,250 |
|  | 45.00 | SR | 2,250 |  | Collection of waste (price per collection i.e. $4 \times 1280 \mathrm{Ltr}$ bins)) | deleted |  | 1-Apr-18 | Deleted | SR |  |  | 2,250 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2019/20 changes (delivery\&collection combined) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Price per lift per bin-240L wheeled bin | new |  |  | 10.00 | SR |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Price per lift per bin-1100L wheeled bin | new |  |  | 30.00 | SR |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | Provision of Street Cleaning for Events |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 20.90 | SR | 1,010 |  | Cleansing Operative |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 20.90 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 1,010 |
|  | 22.21 | SR | 530 |  | 7.5t Driver |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 22.21 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 530 |
|  | 23.59 | SR | 570 |  | HGV Driver |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 23.59 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 570 |
|  | 30.80 | SR | 740 |  | Supervisor |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 30.80 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 740 |
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| (1) |  |  |  |  | Rates are per hour Monday - Friday |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Saturday Hourly rate $\times 11 / 2$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - |  |  |  |  | Sunday Hourly rate x 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | 11. P | Public Conveniences |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | direct cost | SR |  |  | Additional Opening hours outside schedule |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { PLUS } \left.\begin{array}{c} \text { 15\% } \\ \text { +vat } \end{array} \right\rvert\, \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  | $£ 11.62$ per operative per hour |  |  |  | 11.62 | SR |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | Saturday Hourly rate $\times 1$ 1/2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |












Annex 1



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|  | Charges 2018/2019 <br> £ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l} \text { INc. } \\ \text { VAT } \\ { }_{[111} \end{array}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { ESTIMATED } \\ \text { INCOME } \\ \text { 2018/2019 } \\ £ \end{array}\right\|$ | DETAILS |  |  | Statutoryl Discretionary | DATE LAST CHANGED | CHARGES 2019/2020 £ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { INC. } \\ & \text { VAT } \\ & { }^{2}[2] \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \% \\ \text { CHANGE } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ESTIMATED } \\ & \text { INCOME } \\ & 2019 / 2020 \\ & £ \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Statutory | NB |  |  | c) Investigation |  | Statutory |  | 100.00 | NB |  |  | 0 |
|  | Statutory | NB |  |  | d) Granting an authorisation |  | Statutory |  | 100.00 | NB |  |  | 0 |
|  | Statutory | NB |  |  | e) Analysis under regulation 10 |  | Statutory |  | 25.00 | NB |  |  | 0 |
|  | Statutory | NB |  |  | f) Analysis during check monitoring |  | Statutory |  | 100.00 | NB |  |  | 0 |
|  | Statutory | NB |  |  | g) Analysis during audit monitoring |  | Statutory |  | 500.00 | NB |  |  | 0 |
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|  |  |  |  | PUBLIC HEALTH FUNERALS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 200.00 | NB | 6,000 |  | Investigation Fee for Public Health Funerals |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 200.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 6,000 |
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|  | officer time + cost of work |  |  | WORKS IN DEFAULT OF A NOTICE |  |  |  |  | Officer time + travel |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Officer time + travel to be added to fees to be reclaimed from offender |  |  |  | officer time + travel |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | COMMUNITY SAFETY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | SAFER FOOD BETTER BUSINESS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 46.00 | EX |  |  | Onsite coaching - 2 hours |  |  | 1-Apr-15 | 0.00 | EX | -100.00\% | $-46.00$ |  |
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|  |  | NB |  | SMOKE FREE |  |  |  |  |  | NB |  |  |  |
|  | Statutory |  |  |  | a) Smoking in a smoke free place |  | statutory |  | 50.00 | NB |  |  |  |
|  | Statutory |  |  |  | - reduced if paid within 15 days |  | statutory |  | 30.00 | NB |  |  |  |
|  | StatutoryStatutory |  |  |  | b) Failing to display no-smoking signs |  | statutory |  | 200.00 | NB |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | - reduced if paid within 15 days |  | statutory |  | 150.00 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | c) Failing to prevent smoking in a smokefree space - Court awarded fine |  |  |  |  | NB |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Community Protection Notice |  | Statutory |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 60.00 |  |  |  | a) Early Repayment |  |  |  | 60.00 | NB | 0.00\% |  |  |
|  | 80.00 |  |  |  | b) Failiure to Comply with Notice |  |  |  | 100.00 | NB | 25.00\% | 20.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) |  | Statutory |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 60.00 |  |  |  | a) Early Repayment |  |  |  | 60.00 | NB | 0.00\% |  |  |
| 010 | 80.00 |  |  |  | b) Failiure to Comply with Order |  |  |  | 100.00 | NB | 25.00\% | 20.00 |  |
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|  |  |  |  | SPORTS AND LEISURE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 0.00 | SR |  |  | General sports activity - per child |  | Discretionary |  | 1.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 1.00 |  |
|  | 0.00 | SR |  |  | Headline sports activity-per child |  | Discretionary |  | 2.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 2.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0.00 | SR |  |  | General sports activity - per adult |  | Discretionary |  | 2.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 2.00 |  |
|  | 0.00 | SR |  |  | Headline sports activity -per adult |  | Discretionary |  | 3.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 3.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Inflatable sports pitchCommunity hire request |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 60.00 | SR | 240 |  |  |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 60.00 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 500 |




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|  |  |  | 22,850 | Private Hire Vehicle Operator's Licence - Annual |  |  |  |  |  |  | 22,850 |
|  | 643.00 | NB |  | Initial grant/ate renewal | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 643.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 591.00 | NB |  | Prompt renewal - valid for 5 years |  | 1-Apr-18 | 591.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 7,980 | Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence - Annual |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7,980 |
|  | 174.00 | NB |  | Initial grant/ate renewal | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 174.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 90.00 | NB |  | Prompt renewal - valid 3 years |  | 1-Apr-18 | 90.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  | DBS Disclosure |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence - Annual |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 174.00 | NB |  | Initial grant/ate renewal | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 174.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 90.00 | NB | 42,830 | Prompt renewal | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 90.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 42,830 |
|  |  |  |  | DBS Disclosure |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 26.00 | NB | 3,860 | Taxi Driver Knowledge Test | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 26.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 3,860 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 56.00 | NB | 1,540 | Private Hire Vehicle Plate (Returnable Deposit) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 56.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 1,540 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $338+$ MOT | NB | 26,800 | Initial grant/ate renewal (Full Year) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | $338+$ MOT | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 26,800 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 168 + MOT | NB |  | Initial grant (October to March) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | $168+$ MOT | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $248+$ MOT | NB |  | Prompt renewal | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | $248+$ MOT | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $104+$ MOT | NB | 7,410 | Transfer from one vehicle to another | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | $104+$ MOT | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 7,410 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Vehicles adapted for disabled use - for first year only from 1 April 2001 |  | 1-Apr-17 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| © |  |  |  | Plates \& Badges |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { D } \\ & \infty \end{aligned}$ | 2.00 | NB | 2,570 | Drivers Identification badges | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 2.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 2,570 |
| $\bigcirc$ | 10.00 | NB |  | Replacement Private Hire Vehicle Plate | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 10.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 18.00 | NB |  | Replacement Hackney Carriage Vehicle Plate | Discretionary | 1-Apr-17 | 18.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Private Hire Vehicle Licence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $282+$ MOT | NB | 106,590 | Initial grant/late renewal (Full Year) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | $282+$ MOT | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 106,590 |
|  | $338+$ MOT | NB |  | with meter | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | $338+$ MOT | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $140+$ MOT | NB |  | Initial grant (December to May) | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | $140+$ MOT | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |





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| CHARGES <br> 2018/2019 <br> £ | INC. <br> * [1] | ESTIMATED income 2018/2019 £ | DETAILS |  |  | Statutory/ Discretionary | DATE LAST CHANGED | CHARGES 2019/2020 £ | INC. <br> VAT <br> * [2] | $\begin{gathered} \text { \% } \\ \text { CHANGE } \end{gathered}$ |  | ESTIMATED income 2019/2020 £ |
| £ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20.00 | EX |  |  | Hire of Smaller Room -Minimum charge for up to two hours* |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 20.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 10.00 | EX |  |  | Each additional hour or part there after |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 10.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 40.00 | EX |  |  | Hire of both Main Hall \& Smaller Room - Minimum charge for up to 2 hours* |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 40.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 15.00 | EX |  |  | Each additional hour or part there after |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 15.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | * included in the hire cost of the Main Hall will be: tables, chairs, access to stage area, toilets and kitchen |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | CHARGES FOR DESIGNATED PARKING SPACES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 460.00 | SR | 5,980 |  | Harbour Towers |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 500.00 | SR | 8.70\% | 40.00 | 9,000 |
| 435.00 | SR | 2,180 |  | Ramsgate General |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 450.00 | SR | 3.45\% | 15.00 | 1,800 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | OTHER HOUSING CHARGES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | 8,000 |  | Leasehold Enquiries |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8,000 |
| 100.00 | NB |  |  | Notice of Assignment (including notice of mortgage if submitted at the same time) |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-14 | 100.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 65.00 | NB |  |  | Notice of Mortgage (where submitted separately to the notice of assignment) |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-14 | 65.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Lease Extension |  |  |  | 900.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Lease Variation |  |  |  | 200.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 40.00 | NB |  |  | Copy of Fire Risk Safety Assessments |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-14 | 40.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Copy of Lease |  |  |  | 5.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 135.00 | NB |  |  | Solicitors and Leaseholders enquiries (per enquiry letter answered and excluding the leaseholder's annual statement) |  | Statutory | 1-Apr-15 | 135.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 128.00 | NB |  |  | Sub-letting fee |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-15 | 128.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
| 152.00 | NB |  |  | Leasehold Management Fee |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 128.00 | NB | -15.79\% | -24.00 |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Alteration \& Improvement Consent |  |  |  | 50.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Replacement Keys \& Fobs |  |  |  | 12.00 | NB |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | - |  | Tenant Enquiries |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 500 |
| 30.00 | NB |  |  | Rent Reference |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 40.00 | NB | 33.33\% | 10.00 | 0 |
| 5.00 | NB |  |  | Copy of Rent Statement |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-18 | 5.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 0 |
| 15.00 | NB |  |  | Copy of Tenancy Agreement |  |  | 1-Apr-18 | 5.00 | NB | -66.67\% | -10.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Replacement Keys \& Fobs | new | Discretionary |  | 12.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Replacement Payment Cards | new |  |  | 5.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Alteration \& Improvement Consent | new |  |  | 50.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Forced Entry (warrant) | new |  |  | 65.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Forced Entry \& Lock Change | new |  |  | 95.00 | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Wasted Emergency Call Out Fee | new |  |  | At Cost +7.50 | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Rubbish Clearance | new |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { At Cost }+7.5 \% \\ & \text { Admin } \end{aligned}$ | NB |  |  |  |
| 0.00 |  |  |  | Additional TV/Sat Ariel Points | new |  |  | 75.00 | NB |  |  |  |




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|  |  |  |  | Assessment of Housing Benefit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 10.00 | NB | 30 | Request for Housing Benefit file outside of Freedom of information request |  |  |  |  | 10.00 | NB | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 30 |
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|  |  |  |  | $\underline{29}$ | CORPORATE MARKETING |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | All Minimum Charges |  | 18,100 |  | Charges for Film Location works |  |  |  | All Minimum Charges |  |  |  | 18,100 |
|  |  |  |  |  | (n.b. exclusive use of land/propeety is vat exempt,filming in a public place is vatable at standard rate) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 500.00 | EX |  | Advertising productions, Commercials, Filming for Internet Advertising - per day |  |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-13 | 500.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 500.00 | EX |  | Feature Films - per day |  |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-11 | 500.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 150.00 | EX |  | Low Budget Feature Films - per day |  |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-11 | 150.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 150.00 | EX |  | Television dramas - per day |  |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-11 | 150.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
|  | 100.00 | EX |  | Educational, Corporate. Light entertainment, music promotions - per day |  |  | Discretionary | 1-Apr-11 | 100.00 | EX | 0.00\% | 0.00 |  |
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|  | 117.60 | SR | 200,000 | Land Charges Search including Official Certificate of Search (one parcel of land) from 1 January 2017 |  |  |  | 1-Jan-17 | 117.60 | SR | 0.00\% | 0.00 | 200,000 |
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## Food Law Service Plan and Enforcement Policy 2018-2020

| Council | 6 December 2018 |
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| Report Author | Debbie Huckstep - Public Protection Manager |
| Portfolio Holder | Cllr Lesley Ann Game - Cabinet Member for Housing \& Safer <br> Neighbourhoods |
| Status | For Decision |
| Classification: | Unrestricted |
| Key Decision | No |
| Reasons for Key <br> (if appropriate) | N/A |
| Previously Considered by | N/A |
| Ward: | All Wards |

## Executive Summary:

The Food Standards Agency requires local authorities to produce a Plan that outlines how we intend to provide an effective food safety service, the TDC Food Law Enforcement Plan and Enforcement Policy sets out how the Public Protection Team will prioritise and manage their work for the next 24 months, taking into consideration the unknown elements of BREXIT and the Food Standards Agency (FSA) 'Regulating our Future' which plan to change the UK food safety service delivery with regards to local authorities. The Enforcement Policy is in accordance with the 'Enforcement Concordat' agreed by all appropriate UK local authority services on $11^{\text {th }}$ June 1998 and remains in line with best practice and advice/guidance in the Food Law Code of Practice, the latest version being March 2017.

The implications of BREXIT are unknown, particularly with regards to food traceability and imports/exports, we will review this document as we receive information and instruction from the FSA. The Food Standards agency 'Regulating Our Future' plan is a controversial strategic plan which will coincide with BREXIT, and lead to major modernisation of the programme of regulatory change, the FSA seeking to modernise comprehensively, the delivery and enforcement of its regulatory regime regarding food businesses. This will affect local authority delivery from March 2019 with central registration of food businesses as discussed in their plan. The FSA are aiming for a graduated and sustainable approach although consultation with local authorities has been limited and details are awaited. The FSA aim to have delivered a new regulatory model for food by 2020.

In the meantime, the service plan has accounted for the statutory/non statutory functions that we currently perform, by carrying out programmed inspections on our 1359 food premises according to the Food Law Code of Practice, as well as health and safety duties, whelk traceability, events work, routine sampling, street auditing, complaints, caravan parks and infectious disease work.

## Recommendation(s):

To approve the Food Law Service Plan and Enforcement Policy 2018-2020

## CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

| Financial and <br> Value for <br> Money | There are no additional financial costs associated with the plan, although <br> the financial impact of BREXIT it currently unknown. |
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| Legal | The statutory duty is imposed on the Council under the Food Safety Act 1990 <br> to ensure the effective implementation of Government Strategy on food safety <br> issues, having regard for the Food Law Code of Practice issued by the Food <br> Standards Agency and guidance issued by the Local Authority Co-Ordinating <br> Body and Regulatory Services (LACORS) <br> The Food Standards Agency are currently implementing their 'Regulating Our <br> Future, why food regulation needs to change and how we are going to do it' <br> plan between now and 2020, full details are not available but those that are <br> have been included within the proposed plan. |
| Corporate | Failure to comply with the effective implementation of the Food Safety Act <br> 1990 and the relevant guidance and codes of practice leave the authority <br> open to challenge by the Food Standards Agency. More importantly it <br> leaves our residents and visitors at risk of food poisoning and in worse <br> case death due to poor hygiene standards practiced in food premises. |

## Equality Act

 2010 \& PublicSector
Equality Duty
Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.

Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy \& maternity. Only aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage \& civil partnership.

## Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report. <br> Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act,

Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it
Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.

It is not felt that the renewal of this service plan and enforcement policy should have any negative impact in respect of protected characteristics and the public sector equality duty.

The Service Plan and enforcement policy does not discriminate against any of the protected characteristics in the diverse community that make up our many food businesses which we inspect, visit and give advice to as explained in the service plan. The FSA Codes of Practice and legislation that we follow are neutral to any protected characteristics.

Regarding Customer Impact Assessment, there is no change to the service at the current time or cessation of a service. There are no changes

|  | regarding the introduction or increases in fees and charges. Staffing <br> remains the same. |
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| CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick <br> those relevant) |  |
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| A clean and welcoming <br> Environment | $\checkmark$ |
| Promoting inward investment and <br> job creation | $\checkmark$ |
| Supporting neighbourhoods | $\checkmark$ |


| CORPORATE VALUES (tick <br> those relevant) $\checkmark$ |  |
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| Delivering value for money | $\checkmark$ |
| Supporting the Workforce | $\checkmark$ |
| Promoting open communications |  |

### 1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1 A statutory duty is imposed on the Council under the Food Safety Act 1990 to ensure the effective implementation of Government Strategy on food safety issues in the UK, they produce the standards and codes of practice that local authorities must follow to ensure that food is safe for people to eat and to prevent food poisoning and disease.

A Food Service Plan and Enforcement Policy is written to ensure that as a local authority we carry out our statutory functions, we adequately resource the statutory services we provide and that the local authority is aware of changes that may occur in the future, it is part of the Constitution that we produce a service plan.

### 2.0 The Current Situation

In 2015 the FSA announced plans to change food service delivery by 2020, refreshing our plan was delayed in order to incorporate these changes. Delivery of this change has been delayed and we did not expect to still be facing the unknown changes that will occur regarding BREXIT and the Food Standards Agencies 'Regulating our Future' (ROF) plan' so close to the deadlines.

This position is unprecedented and makes the service difficult to plan ahead. The plan produced is an honest, transparent service plan that clarifies the lack of control that the Public Protection Team currently has in planning for the future.

The plan has been scrutinised and discussed by the Executive, Policy \& Community Safety Scrutiny Panel and Cabinet who have recommend it to Council for approval.

### 3.0 Options -

3.1 Approve the Food Law Service Plan and Enforcement Policy 2018-2020.
3.2 Make relevant changes to the Food Law Service Plan and Enforcement Policy 20182020 and approve the amended Food Law Service Plan and Enforcement Policy 2018-2020.
3.3 Reject the Food Law Service Plan and Enforcement Policy 2018-2020

| Contact Officer: | Debbie Huckstep, Public Protection Manager |
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| Reporting to: | Penny Button, Head of Safer Neighbourhoods |

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## Background Papers

| Title | Details of where to access copy |
| :--- | :--- |
| FSA's Regulating Our Future | $\frac{\text { www.food.gov.uk/sites/default/files/media/document/rof- }}{\text { paper-july2017.pdf }}$ |

## Corporate Consultation

| Finance | Matthew Sanham, Financial Services Manager |
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# Thanet District Council 

Environmental Health<br>Public Protection Team

FOOD SERVICE PLAN AND ENFORCEMENT POLICY

2018/2020

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## Introduction

This Service Plan sets out how the Council intends to provide an effective food safety service that meets the requirements of the Food Standards Agency (FSA) Framework Agreement. It covers the functions carried out by authorised officers of the Public Protection Team under the provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990, the Food Safety \& Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013 and relevant regulations made under the European Communities Act. Duties are statutory unless otherwise stated.

The 2018/20 service plan will be under constant review and will continue to be developed to include improving the use of social media and the internet to maintain an up to date database, and to gather local intelligence. An internal auditing regime continues to be implemented in order to ensure consistency and maintain standards of service delivery and accuracy. The team has made excellent progress and is now a well-functioning and organised unit achieving $100 \%$ accuracy of data in the 2016/17 LAEMS return.

Traditional ways of working by the Public Protection Team in the future will be heavily influenced and affected from March 2019 by two main factors, one being 'BREXIT' and the second being the Food Standards Agency's Transformation plan 'REGULATING OUR FUTURE' (ROF).

## BREXIT

On 30th March 2019 under Article 50 of the Treaty on European Union the UK will cease to be a member of the EU. The decision by the UK to leave the EU will have implications for the regulatory regime for food safety in the UK.

Food law throughout the current EU members largely consists of directly applicable EU legislation. The Withdrawal Bill will seek to ensure that The FSA has a statute book that works on day one after exit, it is presumed that we will adopt the current EU legislation, although information is not currently available on this.

There are many 'unknowns' at the current time particularly regarding food that after Brexit may be classed as imported from the EU into UK ports and there is a substantial volume of export trade from the UK to EU member states and beyond which may no longer be able to rely on the current EU systems and procedures for traceability, documented evidence trails, customs checks and import duties etc., all statutory functions which may require additional qualified and competent officers, training, resources and accommodation at designated ports in Thanet. Manston airport became a DPE (Designated Point of Entry) in January 2013, but has been closed since May 2014, we currently do not have activities at the airport.

Port health (imported food) and shellfish activities (whelks) through Ramsgate Harbour are included in our duties, the registration of shellfish (whelks) landed through Ramsgate is regulated and monitored by officers and registration documents are recorded onto a database system, currently we are unsure if the EU traceability system for whelks will remain as it is.

Imported food through Ramsgate harbour is not currently active but is monitored on a regular basis through the Harbour office, where we liaise regarding shipping movements where food may be imported.

We do not currently carry out shellfish sampling for cockles/pacific oysters etc., as our beds are not active, but they may become active at any time via CEFAS (Government Centre for Environment Fisheries \& Aquaculture Science) and local fishermen, at which time extra resources would be required, we have no information on how commercial fishing will be regulated after Brexit, this may include new duties for local authorities being statutory.

## REGULATING OUR FUTURE

The Food Standards Agency (FSA), the regulators for UK food safety, have published a controversial strategic plan for the period 2015-2020 to coincide with Brexit. The plan will lead to a major programme of regulatory change (ROF) through which the FSA is seeking to modernise comprehensively, the delivery and enforcement of its regulatory regime regarding food businesses. The FSA need to move ahead with this programme before March 2019 and are beginning with the central registration of food businesses known as 'Enhanced Registration'.

Following this centralisation of an enhanced registration process, the idea is that in the future the FSA will 'risk assess' businesses according to the details given and then inform the local authorities which need to be inspected, the details of this are not currently clear to local authorities and have been challenged by local authorities as well as the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health.

The registration of food businesses has always been managed at local authority level, with registration forms on the council's website as well as available by post or email. Premises are tracked locally by the Public Protection Team through social media, street auditing, liaison with the planning and licensing departments as well as local intelligence. The FSA have suggested that this role may be expanded by local authorities to include liasing with solicitors, conveyancers, citizens advice etc., but further detail has not yet been made available, so we are unable to predict resource requirements.

According to current codes of practice, all premises must be inspected so that they can be accurately rated and included in the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS) and then published on the National database, we are presuming that this will continue to 2020 so resources are predicted on the current food premises register of 1359 food businesses and this plan estimates this to be approx. $50 \%$ of officer time.

We have no information regarding new FSA IT systems and their compatibility with local systems regarding ROF, this has been questioned but no clarification has been provided. The FSA system of central registration of food businesses will begin with the development of their online service, testing is taking place from May - September 2018 with further testing September - February 2019 with a view to being launched by March 2019. The suggested system by the FSA has been questioned and challenged at various forums and meetings that the FSA have held but there are still a large number of unknowns.

ROF also plans to change who is able to conduct food safety inspections in the UK in the future, which is also extremely controversial, and there may be a proposal to transfer responsibility for many food safety inspections and audits to private commercial firms by 2020, we have no further details at the current time.

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The FSA also intend to step up the regime on Primary Authorities/National Inspection strategies (NIS), this will be published by the FSA, following pathfinding trials with six partnerships to test the concept of NIS in practice. The first version of FSA standards for Primary Authorities (PA) will be published in Summer 2018. These will then be tested in practice and partnerships with LA's in late 2018 and throughout 2019.

Primary Authorities (PA)
Basically this means that any food business or chain of food businesses can apply to have a 'Primary Authority'. Primary Authority is based on legal partnerships between businesses and an individual local authority of their choosing. Primary authorities provide advice to businesses that all other local authorities must respect, they can also produce their own inspection plan. Outside local authorities cannot take enforcement action against businesses who are signed up, registered and paid members of the scheme without extensive consultation, for example Co-Op have a Primary Authority which is Manchester City Council. We are unable to progress enforcement without following stringent time scales and rules.

## National Inspection Strategies (NIS)

NIS is a negotiated agreement 'inspection strategy/form' between the PA (local authority) and the business, for example Co-Op. Local authorities are then only allowed to inspect the pre-agreed parts of the business/paperwork etc., whereas Thanet currently conduct full inspections on any high risk businesses in the Thanet area, particularly those with a 'history', the NIS does not take poor history into account or previous enforcement actions. We have no further details or timescales on the issue of NIS.

## TDC Public Protection staffing levels

Staffing levels remain at 4 Officers. The Public Protection Manager's (EHO) role involves carrying out all of the duties the team are responsible for and also focuses on the auditing of officers work, ensuring accuracy and consistency leading to an accurate LAEMS return to the FSA, as dictated in the FSA external and internal audits.

## Public Protection Auditing

Public Protection Officers work is audited $100 \%$ on inspections and this will continue in order to ensure consistency of scoring and to maintain standards of service delivery. Other duties are audited monthly, but as the team have progressed through audit feedback this auditing has been relaxed. All food officer's now have the NEBOSH Health and Safety Diploma and carry out limited health and safety duties.

Food Officer training 2018-2020
In 2016 the baseline qualification for Food Safety Officers was changed by the Food Standards Agency to include 'food standards' and 'food identification' modules which have never been required previously. A conversion course was designed for holders of the Higher Certificate in Food Premises Inspection (our officers have this) by the University of Birmingham. The new qualification is called The Higher Certificate in Food Control. Thanet Public Protection Officers managed to secure three of the very limited places for the first part of the course which was only provided by Birmingham University, they are awaiting the exam results. There is a second part still to be sourced, funded and completed.

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## Health and Safety at Work Enforcement/RIDDOR

Local authorities are responsible for statutory Health and Safety at Work duties according to the Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority) Regulations 1998, specific duties are divided between local authorities and the Health and Safety Executive.

Public Protection Officers have Health and Safety duties included within their core hours. The Public Protection Manager, as an EHO, is the lead on Health and Safety, in addition one officer spends $20 \%$ of their time on Health and Safety and the other two FTE's spend $10 \%$ of their time on health and safety complaint work and investigating RIDDOR reports.

## Licensing of Caravan Parks

Public Protection Officers duties include health and safety inspections of local caravan sites for licensing purposes. A report has been produced regarding caravan sites in Thanet considering their characterisation/planning consent and comparing that information as to whether they actually meet the criteria as genuinely residential or non-residential sites. Residential site owners are afforded greater protection under The Mobile Homes Act 2013 and the residential sites are subject to fees for inspection by the Housing teams. A number of 'residential sites' have now been passed to the Housing team, but an in depth investigation has shown obvious anomalies, for example 'non residential sites' owners paying council tax. Unfortunately to progress this investigation further is proving difficult because legislation is not clear, or supporting of change or challenge. We will continue to monitor this situation and investigate the correct categories for these sites.

Public Protection intends to produce a Health and Safety Service Plan for 2018 2020 but the resources are food team resources and the document is planned to be completed by the end of 2018.

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## 1. Service Aims Objectives \& Priorities

### 1.1 Aims Objectives and Priorities

Aims

- The overall aim of the Food Safety Service is to ensure that food intended for human consumption produced, stored, distributed, handled or purchased within Thanet is without risk to public health and safety of the consumer.
- To encourage good practice amongst those responsible for preparing, handling and cooking food intended for human consumption, and to ensure they comply with their statutory obligations.
- To rate all premises under the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS) enabling Thanet consumers to make informed decisions about where they consume food.

Objectives

- To fulfil the statutory duty imposed on the Council under the Food Safety Act 1990 as 'The Food Authority' and ensure the effective implementation of Government Strategy on food safety issues, having regard to the most recent Food Law Code of Practice Issued by the Food Standards Agency and other practice guidance issued by government organisations.
- Protect the public as far as reasonably practicable by delivering a complimentary programme of education and enforcement which endeavours to ensure that food businesses are conversant with the law, understand the principles of hygiene and are operated and maintained at a standard that complies with relevant legislation.
- To satisfy statutory requirements and have effective documented and procedural systems to enable accurate returns to the Government, ensuring these are reviewed and updated with key legislative changes.
- To take appropriate enforcement action using an educative approach where appropriate, but closing premises through either voluntary means or Magistrates' Court where an imminent risk to health is found.
- To achieve the above objectives, the following priorities for the two year period 2018 - 2020 have been identified. The Food Service plan will be reviewed annually or more frequently if appropriate.


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### 1.1 Priorities:

Thanet District Council priorities, response work and service improvements are listed below. The consequences of not satisfying statutory obligations can lead to Central Government putting in 'measures' to manage the 'The Food Authority', to enable statutory functions to be carried out and recharging the local authority the costs.
1.2 Links to corporate objectives and priorities:

The service plans in TDC link and support each other as shown below:

## Corporate Plan to 2015-2019



Safer Neighbourhoods Service Plan to 2020


## Food Service Plan 2018/20

Aims, Objectives and Priorities as set out

Priority 2 - Supporting Neighbourhoods
We will work with partner agencies through the Thanet Health and Wellbeing Board to support people to make better lifestyle choices and operationally through our range of services provided directly to residents.

Priority 3 - Promoting Inward Investment and Job Creation
Encourage new and existing businesses which support growth in the local and visitor economy.

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### 1.2.1 Programmed work

- Effectively deliver a comprehensive risk assessed inspection programme for all higher risk premises (Rated $A, B$ and $C$ ).
- All food premises are considered as 'approved premises' on routine inspections and effective recording and monitoring system is put in place, both documentary and on the councils computer system for any premises that need approval. We currently have no 'approved premises' that fit the FSA criteria. For example a dairy farm.
- Develop and implement an alternative intervention programme including education, questionnaires and use of intelligence for some lower risk premises (Rated D and E).
- Carry out food hygiene rating re-rating inspections when requested by food business operators who have scored less than 5 at routine inspection.
- Carry out compliance re-visits and follow up visits to premises that have historical and/or ongoing compliance issues found during an intervention.
- Regularly review and update the Food Safety Procedure Manual. Develop and provide officers with guidelines/checklists to enable them to make consistent decisions in the field in line with current Government advice.
- Deliver a food sampling programme in accordance with County or Nationalwide programmes and sampling priorities.
- Monitor seaports for landing of third country imported foods, and ensure that landings of fish/shellfish are monitored and correctly registered in accordance with EU Legislation.
- Carry out a $100 \%$ audit of the inspections/revisits/complaint work carried out by the food team to ensure consistency, accuracy and efficiency.
- Carry out monthly checks of the LAEMS reports to ensure accuracy.
- Routine checks of the FHRS website for accuracy of published scoring and other information shown online compared to current data held.
- Routinely monitor the M3 database entries for local food businesses for accuracy and regularly carry out checks to cross-reference information against tourism websites/yellow pages/internal databases
- Implement the National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme as accurately and consistently as possible and using the Food Standards Agency Brand Standard when carrying out food hygiene rating inspections.


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### 1.2.2 Response work

- Provide an effective response service able to deal proportionately with complaints regarding food hygiene
- Provide an effective service for new business enquiries, to include providing new businesses with written advice and guidance to help achieve compliance and drive up standards in the district.
- Provide an effective response service able to deal proportionately with incidents or outbreaks of food poisoning or other notifiable diseases.
- Ensure all new and emerging food businesses are registered and are assessed and receive a full initial inspection.
- Respond within appropriate timescales to FSA food alerts and withdrawals.
- Provide other advice and information to both the public and businesses within available resource.


### 1.2.3 Service improvements

- Expand on officer training as appropriate to ensure a consistent approach to food related enforcement within the district.
- Carrying out peer review and consistency exercises with all food team members as required by the Food Standards Agency.
- Put procedures in place to improve the consistency and accuracy of data held on the M3 data base.
- Seek to improve the safe and effective sharing of information within the Council and with external agencies, according to the Data Protection Act 2018 and General Data Protection Regulations 2018.
- Expand the intelligence based checking of food businesses visiting from outside the local authority area and show a presence at small and large scale public events. Share information and intelligence with other local authorities.
- Continue monthly accountability meetings with the Head of Safer Neighbourhoods to improve performance and management of food team activities.
- Ensure that out of hours inspections are up to date and carried out at a frequency stated in the Food Law Code of Practice.
- Take a pro-active approach to any imported food duties and accurately recording those activities for the LAEMS return.
- Promote food safety and monitor food businesses through the use of social media. To improve and make best use of online presence through the new Thanet Council website and using the Food Team Facebook page.


### 1.2.4 Service Reviews

- Review, update and then maintain officer training programmes, internal eLearning courses to assist with the competency of Food Enforcement Officers who must achieve a minimum CPD of 20 Hours per annum.
- Review the procedure manual in full during 2018 to ensure that all references to documentation, practice guidance and other material is up to date and accurate.
- Carry out monthly $1: 1$ meetings as well as team meetings between Public Protection Manager and Public Protection Officers to ensure consistency.
- Review the work required in relation to the Port of Ramsgate for ferry and cargo services ensuring any requirements under the Food Law Code of Practice are met.
- Review the procedures in relation to the principles of Regulatory Delivery and Primary Authority as set out in the Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Act 2008 to ensure that requirements are being met.


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## 2. Background

### 2.1 Profile of Thanet District Council

The District of Thanet comprises a mixture of rural and urban coastal resort communities with a population of approximately $143,941 \mathrm{in}$ an area of 112 km sq . making it the second most densely populated district in Kent. Principal population areas are the resorts of Margate, Ramsgate and Broadstairs alongside a number of smaller villages. Thanet is one of 13 local authorities in Kent sharing some services with Dover and Canterbury Councils and is located on the South East Coast neighbouring the City of Canterbury to the West and the Port of Dover to the South West.

The area is recognised as deprived with low social mobility and an ageing population which is predicted to grow at a higher rate than elsewhere in the County. Six of the ten most deprived wards in Kent are in the Thanet area. This level of deprivation is evident in the significant difference in life expectancy of 11 years between the most affluent wards in Broadstairs and the most deprived ones in Central Margate.

The main industries were Ramsgate New Port, Kent International Airport, Manston, closed since 2014; light industry and tourism. The Port has been largely inoperative since 2013 however it is hoped that some services will resume in the future. There is a retail and food area at Westwood Cross on the borders of Broadstairs and Margate. Due to its history as a resort area, the district has an above average number of food premises; many of them meet the criteria for high risk which presents a challenge for the food safety enforcement function.

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E-mail: environmental.health@thanet.gov.uk
Thanet District Council can be contacted via telephone or at the Gateway offices as follows:

Mon - Fri $\quad 08: 45 \mathrm{am}-5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$
An out of hours contact is available 24 hours for emergency contact.

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### 2.2 Organisational Structure

The Council operates on a Leader and Cabinet system with lead members delivering specific portfolios as follows:

CIIr. Robert W Bayford is Leader of the Council.
Cllr. Jason Savage is Deputy Leader.
The Cabinet posts for the council year 2018 are:

| Portfolio | Cabinet Member |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cabinet Member for Housing and Safer Neighbourhoods | Cllr Lesley Ann Game |
| Cabinet Member for Operational Services | Cllr Jason Savage |
| Cabinet Member for Financial Services and Estates | Cllr lan Gregory |
| Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance and Coastal <br> Development | Cllr Ash Ashbee |

The Food functions are considered to be part of Housing \& Safer Neighbourhoods portfolio and Cllr Lesley Ann Game is the relevant portfolio member. Her main contact is with Penny Button, Head of Safer Neighbourhoods.

The key reporting lines for the flow of food safety/health and safety issues are:


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## Specialist appointments

The food team are supported in delivery of their functions by the following specific appointments:

| Public Health England <br> Infectious diseases | Directors of HPA | Kent Health Protection Unit <br> Kennington Road <br> Ashford <br> Kent |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Public Analyst | General lab | Kent Scientific Services <br> 8 Abbey wood Road <br> Kings Hill <br> West Malling <br> Kent |
| Food Examiners | Government lab | FW\&E Microbiology Lab <br> (Collindale) London, <br> 61 Collindale Avenue <br> London NW9 5 EQ |
| Food Examiners | Shellfish <br> Port Health samples | CEFAS <br> Lowestoft Laboratory <br> Pakefield Road <br> Lowestoft <br> SUFFOLK |
| Fish Inspectors | Internal appointments | Debbie Huckstep TDC |

### 2.3 Scope of the Food Law Service Plan

The Public Protection Team are responsible for the following statutory duties:

- Implementing the proactive programme for food hygiene interventions and subsequent revisits for food premises
- Investigating the possibility of premises requiring 'Approval' at the time of inspection.
- Investigating reported cases of food poisoning and potential outbreaks in accordance with Public Health England (PHE) guidance and framework agreement
- Imported Food Controls at Ramsgate Port
- Investigating requests for service (complaints) regarding the hygiene of food premises, or food safety issues relating to foods purchased or produced in Thanet
- Registration of new food premises
- Responding to food alerts from the FSA
- Health and Safety enforcement duties (Health and Safety at Work Act 1974)
- Development and maintenance of partnerships and liaisons to the furtherance of the Food Service
- Providing the Food Standards Agency with statistical returns
- Carrying out enforcement of inland imported food/controls

And non-statutory duties:

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- Provision of training, advice and support to existing and prospective food business operators and the users of the service
- Delivering a food sampling programme in line with national and regional programme and priorities
- Implementing projects and campaigns within available resources that promote good food hygiene
- Maintaining the database regarding food premises
- Delivering the National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme


### 2.4 Demands on the Food Service

As at April 2018 there are 1359 Food Premises in Thanet the District Council area. The following tables provide more detail regarding premises types and risks:

### 2.4.1 Establishment numbers by Groups (April 2018)

| Description (MAFF Code) | No. of <br> premises |
| :--- | :--- |
| Producers (A) | 0 |
| Manufacturers/Processors (C) | 13 |
| Importers/Exporters (E) | 1 |
| Distributors/Transporters (F) | 13 |
| Supermarket/Hypermarket (G01) | 25 |
| Smaller Retailers (G02) | 179 |
| Retailers Others (G03) | 62 |
| Restaurant/Canteen (H01) | 360 |
| Hotel/Guest House (H02) | 46 |
| Pub/Club (H03) | 158 |
| Take-away (H04) | 135 |
| Caring Establishment (HO5) | 140 |
| School/College (H06) | 71 |
| Mobile Food Unit (H07) | 25 |
| Restaurant/Caterer - others (H08) | 131 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 1359 |

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### 2.4.2 Establishment numbers by risk groups (April 2018)

| Risk Rating | Number of premises |
| :---: | :---: |
| A | 2 |
| B | 5 |
| C | 152 |
| D | 763 |
| E | 430 |
| F | 0 |
| Not categorised | $\mathbf{7}$ |
| TOTAL | $\mathbf{1 3 5 9}$ |

### 2.4.3 Inspection frequency

In accordance with 5.6 of Food Law Code of Practice the food hygiene intervention frequencies are as set out below:

| Category | Score | Minimum intervention frequency |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| A | 92 or higher | At least every 6 months |
| B | 72 to 91 | At least every 12 months |
| C | 52 to 71 | At least every 18 months |
| D | 31 to 51 | At least every 24 months |
| E | 0 to 30 | A programme of alternative <br> enforcement strategies or <br> interventions every 3 years |

### 2.4.4 Inspections due per annum

| Category | No of premises | Inspections per annum |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| A | 2 | 4 |
| B | 5 | 5 |
| C | 152 | 101 |
| D | 763 | 382 |
| E | 430 | 143 |
| No Cat | 7 | 7 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 3 5 9}$ | $\mathbf{6 4 2}$ |

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### 2.4.5 Inspections - Categories A-E

642 planned inspections per annum
(Total working days per year per FTE officer: 216 days; for time available see table 2.4.7)

Allocation of inspections to officers is by way of a rotating bi-annual geographical area, with an average of 165 inspections allocated per officer, per annum, the number of inspections fluctuates per season/per year. Officers split their time between inspections and non-inspection food responsibilities, with Category A and B food inspections being priority. Health and Safety work is split geographically and combined with food inspections where possible.

### 2.4.6 Non inspection Food Responsibilities:

- Port Health function - monitoring of Ramsgate Port for imported food
- Shellfish monitoring and registration documentation (whelks)
- Monitoring of Thanet events for food traders
- Street auditing for premises changes
- Complaints regarding food premises
- Infectious disease notification work
- Projects and Campaigns
- Reviewing internet/social media sites for intelligence
(Health and Safety duties)
- Health and Safety inspections and complaints
- Attending inquests
- Caravan licensing inspections
- Health and Safety admin
- RIDDOR investigations


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### 2.4.7 Staffing Resource - Public Protection Team

EHO Environmental Health Officer x 0.8 from $1^{\text {st }}$ April 2018
PPO Public Protection Officer x 3 from $1^{\text {st }}$ April 2018

| Task | PPM <br> EHO <br> x 80\% FTE <br> DH | PPO <br> (Qualified) <br> x 1 FTE <br> MAK | PPO <br> (Qualified) <br> x 1 FTE <br> SH | PPO <br> (Qualified) <br> x 1 FTE <br> EW |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Deduction for Statutory <br> Health and Safety Duties | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| Auditing officers work | $25 \%$ | - | - | - |
| HR/Occ health/pay | $10 \%$ | - | - | - |
| Allocation and monitoring of <br> workload | $20 \%$ | - | - | - |
| Inspections A-E | $10 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| Ramsgate port - whelk <br> traceability |  | $2.5 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ |
| Events <br> Routine Sampling | $2.5 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ |
| Street Auditing | $2.5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| Complaints | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| Caravan Parks | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| Infectious Disease work | $5 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| Training | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| TOTAL | $1 \times 100 \%$ | $1 \times 100 \%$ | $1 \times 100 \%$ | $1 \times 100 \%$ |

### 2.5 Regulation Policy

The Council adopted the enforcement concordat for all appropriate services on $11^{\text {th }}$ June 1998. The Food Law Enforcement Plan has been developed in line with best practice and advice/guidance from the Food Standards Agency (FSA) and LACORS.

## 3. Service Delivery

### 3.1 Food Premises interventions Statement (Statutory Duty)

The interventions programme for food premises on Categories $A, B \& C$ premises forms the core activity of the Food Safety Team. The programme of interventions which is detailed in Annexe 2 has been prepared to meet the aims, objectives and priorities summarised in paragraph 1.1 of this document in line with the Food Law Code of Practice (England).

### 3.1.1 Intervention reports: (FSA Food Law Code of Practice FLCOP)

Checklists and aides-memoire are used at each inspection for consistency purposes, depending on high risk or low risk premises, and are used at the end of the inspection to produce a hand written report of the officer's findings. A copy of the handwritten report is left with the FBO so it is clear what they have to do and within a specified timescale. Where there are a number of serious contraventions, a holding report is left and a typed full inspection report is delivered/emailed/posted.

### 3.1.2 Types of interventions: <br> Full inspections/ Partial Inspections/ Audits. (Statutory duty)

The presumption is that enforcement officers in all cases will undertake full inspections of all parts of the premises. However, there are options available for partial inspections and audits. Officers, after researching the previous history of the premises, may decide to carry out a partial inspection. The options are considered in a little more detail below:

## Full Inspection: (FLCOP)

This is a check on compliance with legal requirements in accordance with elements set out in the Code. A full inspection will consider all aspects of a food business including structure, food safety management and management arrangements.

## Partial Inspection: (FLCOP)

An inspection that covers only certain elements of the inspection as laid down in Section 4.2.2 of the Code. Partial inspections have been tried but do not assist us in scoring for the FHRS, they are rarely appropriate in premises other than multinationals, where the documented system is generic, tried and tested.

## Planned audits (FLCOP)

An audit may be undertaken instead of a partial or full inspection, where any food business operator, including those providing a high risk business has put in place an acceptable documented food safety management system (addressing Article 5 Regulation 852/2004). Details of the system will be required in advance of the audit so the Officer can plan the appropriate audit, these are rarely appropriate in our District.

The audit may include one or more of the following elements (FLCOP)

- Complete audit of the food safety management system
- Audit of selected elements of the food safety management system where the system is complex
- Partial Audit concentrating on a particular produce


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- Operational audit concentrating on certain arrangements such as temperature monitoring.


### 3.1.3 Revision of intervention rating: (Statutory duty)

On completion of the food inspection, partial inspection or audit the officer will revise the intervention rating of the establishment in accordance with Annexe 5 FLCOP. The FHRS rating is also awarded based on this scoring, records of the inspection are left with the FBO at the conclusion of the inspection, the premises may be scored at the end of the inspection on site or may be scored once the officer has returned to the council offices, in the latter case the food business will be notified on the inspection report.

### 3.1.4 New premises (FLCOP) (Statutory duty)

TDC responds positively and supportively to new food businesses which approach the authority prior to starting up. In response to initial enquiries they will receive as a minimum verbal advice, usually by telephone along with a registration form and advice on where to find the FSA 'starting up' booklet on the FSA website. The team are part of a Kent wide food group exercise to provide 'information packs' for new businesses. An initial advisory visit may be provided in exceptional circumstances, the preferred method is to visit the premises after a food registration has been received so that the advice given can be recorded on their entry on M3, which may avoid disputes on what was said at the time, if a pre-inspection visit does take place, a written record of what was agreed at the time is left with the FBO. There is an obligation to register the food premises 28 days before any food activities take place.

In all cases, new registrations will be recorded onto the M3 data base once received and then an initial full inspection will take place.

### 3.1.5 Routine planned inspections - high risk premises ( $A$ and $B$ rated) (FLCOP) (Statutory duty)

The preferred method for $A$ and $B$ premises is to carry out a full inspection, unless a partial one or audit has been decided after reviewing the premises history. All such interventions are identified as appropriate by the FLCOP.

### 3.1.6 Planned interventions medium risk (rated C) (Statutory duty) (FLCOP)

Until an establishment is considered to be 'broadly compliant' an intervention will comprise either a full inspection, partial inspection or audit as defined above at the frequency identified by Annexe 5 FLCOP.

Once it is considered to be broadly compliant, planned interventions may alternate between inspections, partial inspection or audits and other official controls as defined in the Food Law code of practice and listed below and defined in Annexe 3:

- Monitoring
- Surveillance
- Verification
- Audit
- Sampling for analysis (more than just a visit to collect a sample)


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Broadly compliant is defined as:
Either an establishment that has an intervention rating score of not more than 10 points under each of the following three parts of Annexe 5 .

Part 1 - Hygiene\& Safety
Part 2 - Structure
Part 3 - Confidence in Management

### 3.1.7 Planned interventions low risk premises (rated D) (Statutory duty) (FLCOP)

Interventions can alternate between an official control and an intervention that is not an official control, (for example a questionnaire) the frequency will remain that established by the Food law Code of Practice Annexe 5. Category D establishments that are also rated 30 or 40 for 'type of food and method of handling' must be an inspection, partial inspection or audit. Interventions such as questionnaire, although a useful resource saving method, are often not appropriate because the premises cannot be rated for the FHRS without an inspection.

### 3.1.8 Planned Interventions low risk premises (rated E) (Statutory duty)

Premises in this category will be subject to alternative interventions at least once every three years in accordance with the Food law code of practice. These are not considered useful methods by TDC because the premises cannot be rated for the FHRS without an inspection

### 3.1.9 Alternative Enforcement Strategies (Statutory duty) (FLCOP)

Premises in this category (E) can be subject to alternative interventions at least once every three years in accordance with the Food law code of practice, unless the premises is subject to Approval. These are not considered useful methods by TDC because the premises cannot be rated for the FHRS without a full inspection

### 3.1.10 Large scale public events

To improve the prospects for Thanet, the Council is concentrating on regeneration and bringing in more investment. Alongside this a lot of emphasis is placed on putting on events to bring in tourism. These will range from small and local events to major show case events such as 'Broadstairs Food Festival'. There are between 50 - 100 events planned during the year which will have TDC involvement either because they are on Council land, or are arranged by Parish or Town Councils or have food businesses in attendance.

The Public Protection Team have a system in place to respond to such events and carry out risk based desk top assessments using the information requested from event organisers 28 days before the event take place. Some events are spot checked by food officers on a regular basis to match the desk top data against premises are on site.

### 3.2 Food complaints (Statutory duty)

All incoming complaints are directed to the Public Protection Manager to audit and passed to the officer who deals with the geographical area if it requires further action. The officer considers following key criteria:

- Implied or actual risk to public health - public health significance
- Justification/seriousness or likely impact of the complaint
- Likely recurrence in the future
- Number of complainants
- Number of people potentially at risk
- History of premises from which food was produced/purchased/consumed etc.
- Last inspection details if relevant
- Date of next scheduled inspection

All complaints will be considered and will have a response within 3 working days, dependant on resources. Anonymous complaints are not accepted. This may comprise a phone call or a letter or email dependant on the nature of the complaint and the outcome of the assessment.

Complaints regarding suspected food poisoning receive a standard letter which explains the onset times and the criteria of sampling through a GP or hospital to confirm food poisoning. The information provided in this letter is very comprehensive and educative.

Complaints are investigated according to risk and the information provided. If a visit is warranted, where possible the next inspection will be brought forward and carried out at the same time as the complaint visit. Complaints are dealt with by officers, and changes to inspection frequency are supervised by the Public Protection Manager. Complaints are part of the PPM's audit.

### 3.3 Primary Authority Scheme <br> (Mandatory)

We recognise the Better Regulation Delivery Office 'Primary Authority Scheme'. Inspection plans will be followed where required and it is expected that contact will be made with Primary Authorities as explained in the introduction where advice or enforcement action is considered, before action is taken against those premises who have a Primary Authority.

Primary authority partnerships are available to any business that trades across two or more council boundaries, regardless of size. Primary Authority partnerships are legally nominated by the Better Regulation Delivery office and partnerships are automatically recognised by all local regulators.

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### 3.4 Advice to business (mandatory \& corporate plan)

The service is committed to ensuring that advice and support is available to all food businesses in the District when requested. The key ways this is provided is through

TDC Website Reviewed quarterly to ensure accuracy and usefulness of data
Leaflets/ Booklets Use is made of FSA website, starting up booklet and SFBB booklets

Verbal advice. This is absorbed into routine work and will take place either in the case of routine official interventions or resulting from business enquiries for new or changed premises

Global advice TDC and Kent have developed factsheets for businesses which incorporate all of the departments and outside agencies that are involved in starting up a food business and explains their role. Most contact from businesses is regarding starting a new business or changes to an existing business.

### 3.5 Food sampling

We take part in both the UK National sampling programme and shellfish sampling as appropriate.

## Routine samples

Within resources, TDC will take samples to meet the UK and County wide sampling programme based normally on the priorities set by Public Health England and the Food Standards Agency.

## Environmental Swabbing

Environmental swabbing of food premises is a proven, cost effective, enforcement tool. Swabs can be tested for E Coli 0157 and other coliforms. The results can clearly demonstrate serious lapses in cross contamination control, personal hygiene and faecal contamination, all areas that can be difficult and time consuming to evaluate during routine inspections.

Following the FSA Audit in 2011, a sampling programme was said to be 'crucial in protecting public health', and Thanet have now been actively taking part in local and national sampling since January 2014. Procedures are based on the Kent Sampling procedures.

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### 3.6 Infectious Diseases control and investigation (Statutory duty)

Officers investigate food related infectious disease notifications in accordance with the documented procedures, which are reviewed regularly. The primary objective of every investigation is to identify the cause of infection and prevent any further spread. One officer carries out the administration and investigation of notifications.

Response times and the nature of response are all set out in the procedures documented in the 'Public Health England South East Single Case Plan for Kent and Medway Environmental Health Teams and Ashford Health Protection Team'.

Officers liaise with Public Health England, a number of 'Proper Officers' are currently appointed under the Public Health Act 1984 and Section 47 of the National Assistance Act 1948 (as amended).

A GCSX secure mailbox is used to ensure confidentiality of the health information being provided to TDC and is a requirement of the agreement between PHE and Local Authorities.

### 3.7 Food Alerts/Incidents (Statutory duty)

A food incident is considered to be any event where, based on the information available, there are concerns about actual or suspected threats to the safety or quality of food that could require intervention to protect consumers' interests. TDC received routine reports of Food Alerts which in most circumstances do not require additional input from the enforcement officers; they are dealt with as part of normal duties.

### 3.8 National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme

In April 2011, the Food Standards Agency made representations to all Local Authorities on the implementation of the National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme. TDC's Corporate Management Team made the decision that Thanet will implement the National Scheme as long as there was minimum cost to the LA.

The Food Hygiene Rating scheme makes it easier for consumers to choose places with good hygiene standards when they're eating out or shopping for food. The food hygiene rating tells them about the hygiene standards by awarding a 'star rating' which is shown by way of standard stickers. The same stickers are used across the whole of the UK, by participating local authorities.

Thanet's scheme was launched in April 2012, alongside most other Kent authorities. The scheme is working well in Thanet with a small number of businesses asking for re-rating visits.

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### 3.9 Liaison with Other Organisations

The team works in partnership with other organisations to deliver services, some examples are given below:

External Partnerships/Liaisons

| Customs and Excise (HMRC) \& UKBA | Imported Foods and potential Fraud |
| :--- | :--- |
| Association of Port Health Authorities <br> (APHA) | Imported Food, air and sea port |
| Kent Environmental Health Managers <br> (KEHM) Food Technical Working Group | County-wide liaison group for all food <br> safety issues with representatives from <br> the Health Protection Agency and <br> Trading Standards as well as local <br> Authorities. |
| CEFAS | Government Laboratories for Shellfish <br> and Imported Food issues |
| Thames Port (City of London) | Port Health, advice and support |
| Trading Standards | Food complaints, Port Health |
| Food Standards Agency | Wide range of advice and support |
| Public Health England (PHE) | Outbreak control or advice |
| Food Sampling Group and Labs | Food sampling |
| Kent Infection Control Committee | Infectious disease investigations |
| Kent Food Group | Consistency meetings/Policy |
| Health and Safety Executive | RIDDOR/Gas Safety/Electricity at Work |
| CIEH | Chartered Institute of Environmental <br> Health |

## Internal Partnerships

External partnerships and liaisons are good; the sharing of information with internal partners is improving. Particularly important partnerships include the Events team, Licensing Department, Building Control, Estates Team and Planning Department who make the best use of shared intelligence, all within FOI and data protection criteria. Since 2016 partnership work with the Community Safety Unit has increased.

### 3.10 Promotional Work

The overall resources available to the Public Protection Team have reduced since 2016, all working practices have been frequently reviewed and in turn, this has streamlined activities like promotional work, which is now based on FSA promotions.

## 4. Resources

### 4.1 Financial Allocation

Following the March 2018 restructure, the budgets for the Food Safety function are managed by the Head of Safer Neighbourhoods.

### 4.2 Staffing Allocation

The resources for Food Safety are currently:

| Staff resource | Number (FTE) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Public Protection Manager | 0.8 FTE |
| Public Protection Officers | 3 FTE |
| Health and Safety Officer | 0 |
| Support (admin) | 0 |
| Total | 3.8 FTE |

### 4.3 Qualifications and competence

From $6^{\text {th }}$ April 2016 the non-EHO Qualifications and competency for food officers was changed by the FSA. As well as Lead Officers and Authorised officers possessing the baseline qualification (Higher Certificate in Food Premises Inspection) or equivalent Officers must now complete a 'bolt on course' which leads to the new qualification of 'Higher Certificate in Food Control'. In addition Managers must consider the relevant competencies needed for their roles and build that into their personal development and reporting cycle. (Food Law Code of Practice Chapter 4). All Food Officers must also maintain 20 hours a year CPD, which is audited by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health.

Annexe II of Regulation (EC) 882/2004 outlines the subject matters for the training of staff performing official controls. 10 hours of the core CPD must include at least one of the following elements:

- Different control techniques, such as auditing, sampling and inspection
- Control procedures
- Feed and Food law
- Different stages of production, processing and distribution and the possible risks to human health.
- Assessment for non-compliance
- Hazards in animal, feed and food production
- The evaluation of the application of HACCP procedures
- Management systems such as quality assurance programmes
- Official certification systems
- Contingency arrangements
- Legal proceedings
- Examination of written, documentary material and other records
- Any other area, including animal health and welfare

The qualifications required for types of establishment within the TDC area require the following officers/qualifications:

$\left.$| Establishment type or Action | Officer/Qualification |
| :--- | :--- |
| All establishments requiring inspection at <br> intervals of 12 months or less <br> (A \& B rated) | HCFC/ EHO or <br> Officer with Higher Certificate in Food <br> Premises Inspection with 1 years' <br> experience. |
|  | HCFC/EHP or Higher Certificate in <br> Food Premises Inspection <br> And with detailed knowledge of <br> enforcement in approved <br> establishments. If no experience, must <br> be accompanied by experienced officer |
| inspection under Regulation 853/2004 |  |$\quad$| HCFC/ EHP or |
| :--- |
| Officer with Higher Certificate in Food |
| Premises Inspection and one year's |
| experience | \right\rvert\, | HCFC/ EHP plus 2 years post |
| :--- |
| Service of Improvement Notices (Reg 6) |
| Service of Prohibition Notice (Regulation 8) |
| qualification experience in food (only <br> with PP Manager/Head of Safer <br> Neighbourhoods agreement) |
| Service of application for closure order to |
| Magistrates Court | | EHO Food Safety Specialist with 2 |
| :--- |
| years experience (PPM) |

Qualifications - Food Law Code of Practice
Higher Certificate in Food Control (Baseline):

- The Environmental Health registration Board (EHRB)
- The Scottish Food Safety Officers Registration Board (SFSORB)

Baseline Equivalent Qualifications (EHO or Diploma):

- Certificate of Registration of the Environmental Health registration Board (EHRB) or
- Diploma in Environmental Health (or its antecedents) awarded by EHRB or the Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland (REHIS)

The Higher Certificate in Food Premises Inspection may be awarded by one of the following:

- The Environmental Health registration Board (EHRB)
- The Scottish Food Safety Officers Registration Board (SFSORB)
- The Institute of Food Science and Technology (IFST)


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The staffing establishment in April 2018 when this document was prepared, included the following officers whose qualifications are indicated in the table below:

| Officer | Qualifications | CPD notes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Deborah Huckstep, Public Protection Manager (EHO) | MSc Environmental Health 2009 NEBOSH: General Certificate 2009 FSA Official Fish Inspector March 2006 <br> EHORB Registration 2009 | 20 hours required p.a. (10 core) |
| Mark Kennedy <br> Public Protection Officer | Higher Certificate in Food Premises Inspection 1998 <br> NEBOSH: National Certificate 2016 <br> EHORB Registration 1998 | 20 hours p.a. <br> (10 core) |
| Simon Hogben <br> Public Protection Officer | Higher Certificate in Food Premises Inspection 2014 <br> NEBOSH: National Certificate 2016 <br> EHORB Registration 2014 | 20 hours p.a. (10 core) |
| Emily Whittaker <br> Public Protection Officer | Higher Certificate in Food Premises Inspection 2015 <br> NEBOSH: National Certificate 2017 <br> EHORB Registration 2015 | 20 hours p.a. (10 core) |

### 4.4 Staff development plan

As at April 2018 the appraisal scheme has been changed and no longer incorporates the pay for contribution element. 3 Objectives are set annually and 1:1 meetings arranged monthly, together with monthly team meetings. The appraisal scheme includes new staff development plans, improved training plans and encourages meeting attendance. Documentation of training qualifications and training courses attended are now recorded and contribute to the issue of authorisations for officers, to consider competence.

### 4.5 Training and Development

There is no specific training budget for food team officers. Officers have the opportunity to apply for funding for specific courses that would aid their development, as well as ample time off and opportunity to attend FSA food courses. The Food Standards Agency had highlighted this issue and the consideration of a specific budget was considered and not agreed by TDC, the FSA have now withdrawn funding for training courses.

In 2018 Pubic Protection Officers will attend the University of Birmingham and undertake a conversion course which on successful completion will award them the Higher Certificate in Food Control (the new baseline qualification). This will enable better use of staff resources and allow officers to carry out a wider range of official controls.

Funding has not yet been agreed for the second part of the course.

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## 5. Quality Assessment and internal monitoring

The team is placing considerable emphasis on its effectiveness and accuracy within its available resources. This makes 'getting it right first time' and 'Making every inspection count' particularly important (FSA).

Following the FSA Audit recommendations, an auditing regime based on the FSA document 'Making every inspection count' has been established and has been operational since January 2014. Carrying out the following audits:

- $100 \%$ desktop audit of the officers inspections recorded on a control sheet checked against the inspection report, completed inspection checklist, to ensure that the Annexe 5 scores, the FHRS scores and the chosen star rating agree and are correct, as well as the FHRS status and whether the premises should be included in the scheme. Consistency is considered with regards to the scores and compared against other officers scoring. This audit is signed off by the Public Protection Manager before the administration team input any information and scoring onto the database, hence the database scoring and FHRS scoring is correct, and the correct FHRS sticker is sent out, this gives protection to the database, as well as the resulting LAEMS return.
- The PPM's targeted auditing is documented and the results passed to the Head of Safer Neighbourhoods for review (targeted auditing) areas are prioritised according to the FSA audit and issues arising from daily activities.

PPM's general audit includes: 100\% audit of all inspections within 48 hours of inspection and

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    Inspections due and carried out within 28 days (targeted auditing)
    Intervention anomalies (targeted auditing)
    Complaints anomalies (targeted auditing)
    Premises scoring
    Premises risk group categories
    Evening visit arrangements
    Fortightly upload of FHRS scores to FSA website
    Scores randomly checked on FSA wesite (targeted auditing)
    Correct risk ratings
    Contraventions identified correctly
    Written warnings annotated for input
    Port health - any imports (targeted auditing)
    Whelk documentation checks carried out (targeted auditing)
    Authorisations reviewed (monthly auditing)
    - Revocations completed
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## 6. Review Process

The Food Law Enforcement Plan is reviewed once per year but will be reviewed according to changes regarding BREXIT and ROF.

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## Annexe 1: Food Service Enforcement Policy

## Food Law Enforcement Objective

It is council policy to strive to ensure that food and drink intended for sale for human consumption, which is produced, stored, distributed, handled or consumed within the district is without risk to the health or safety of the consumer.

## The Aim of this Policy

- To ensure a consistent approach to food related enforcement within the district;
- To provide officers with guidelines to enable them to make decisions in the field, consistent with current Government advice;
- To inform the public and food businesses of the principles by which enforcement action is taken.


## Enforcement

Purpose of food hygiene inspections

- To establish whether food is being handled and produced hygienically;
- To establish whether food is, or will be having regard to further processing, safe to eat;
- To identify foreseeable incidences of food poisoning or injury as a consequence of consumption of food;
- The identification of breaches in hygiene or processing legislation will be incidental to the above aims.

Factors influencing the enforcement approach

- An authorised officer has a range of options available in seeking to ensure the above aims are met. These range from the giving of advice and verbal warnings, to the service of statutory notices, or prosecution or closure of premises.
- This authority has signed the Enforcement Concordat and has adopted a graduated approach to enforcement as described in that document. As the first step towards securing compliance, an authorised officer will adopt an educative approach and discuss the requirements of the legislation relating to hazard analysis and the supervision and instruction and/or training with the food business operator.
- This authority will have regard to the BRE Regulator Compliance Code of Practice (attached as Appendix 1) in the conduct of its enforcement work.
- The Food Law Code of Practice (England) gives guidance on the appropriate use of the available procedures. This authority strictly follows advice issued by central government departments and authorised officers are required to follow this enforcement policy.
- Departures from this policy must be exceptional and the reasons will be documented.


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- Enforcement action will be proportionate to the risk to public health arising from the contraventions identified. Combinations of formal notice and informal advice may be appropriate.
- Decisions on appropriate enforcement action will be taken based primarily on an assessment of risk to food safety and public health, but will also be influenced by the history of compliance by the food business operator with food safety legislation and his willingness to remedy contraventions.
- This authority has regard to the Primary Authority Agreement principle and will consider whether a relevant Primary Authority should be consulted before giving detailed advice or taking enforcement action.
- This authority recognises that some organizations, including voluntary and charitable ones operated by volunteers will need help and guidance to understand food safety requirements and an informal approach will be used where public health is not compromised.
- This authority recognises that many businesses in the District are small and family run on a tight budget. Consideration will always be given to low-cost solutions to contraventions, as long as this does not present a threat to the public health.
- This authority recognises that many businesses are seasonal and operate out of normal office hours and will need inspection and advice during these trading hours.
- This authority recognises that English is not the first language of many traders in its area and will take care to ensure its enforcement actions are clearly understood in an appropriate language wherever possible.
- Where there is a shared or complimentary enforcement role this authority will consult with those other enforcement agencies to ensure that the proposed action is consistent with the policies and actions of that other authority. An example would be consultation with Trading Standards over sampling programmes or the labelling of foodstuffs.
- Enforcement action taken by this authority will take into account the requirements of other departments of the Council and of other teams within the Environmental Services department to ensure consistency of action.
- Before taking action that the authority believes may be inconsistent with that taken by other food authorities, it will first discuss the area of difficulty with those bodies through the Kent Technical Food Group.


## Legal Safeguards influencing the Enforcement Approach

- The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 as amended by Investigatory Powers Act 2016

Any covert surveillance which is conducted as part of any investigation of any case which falls within this policy, will comply with the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) \& Investigatory Powers Act 2016, in that covert surveillance falling within RIPA will be authorised and conducted in accordance with the statutory framework and any Code or Codes made there under.

- The Human Rights Act 1998 and the European Convention on Human Rights

The Human Rights Act 1998 (HRA) makes it unlawful for a public authority to act in a way that is incompatible with the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR). This policy will be implemented taking into account the legal and procedural implications of both the HRA and the ECHR.

## Related Documents:

- The Code for Crown Prosecutors (available from: The Crown Prosecution Service, Information Branch, 50 Ludgate Hill, London, EC4M 7EX,
- Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996 (CPIA)
- Police \& Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (PACE), and associated Codes
- Internal Procedure and Policy of TDC
- Statutory Code of Practice for Regulators, December 2007: Department of Business Enterprise and Regulatory Reform.


## Qualification and Authorisation of Officers

- No officer will carry out food hygiene inspection and enforcement duties unless suitably trained and experienced and authorised in writing by the Head of Safer Neighbourhoods.
- High risk premises (categories $A$ and $B$ ), all food manufacturers and processors classified as substantial and premises approved under product specific legislation will only be inspected by qualified Environmental Health Officers, or Food Safety Officers holding the Higher Certificate in Food Premises Inspection/Food Control.
- Officers will be authorised to sign Hygiene Improvement Notices only for premises within the categories for which they are qualified.
- Hygiene Emergency Prohibition Notices and voluntary closure agreements will only be signed by specifically authorised officers, having a minimum of two years post-qualification experience of food safety enforcement and currently involved in


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food safety enforcement. Only officers holding specific food inspection qualifications will be authorised to inspect, detain or seize foodstuffs (EHO).

- Only officers holding specific food inspection qualifications and specific imported foods training will be authorised to inspect, detain or seize imported foodstuffs.
- Newly qualified officers will only be authorised after a minimum of 6 months of structured practical training in enforcement procedures at the appropriate level.
- Continuing professional development training will be provided for all food safety officers to enable them to keep abreast of changes in legislation and good practice and meet the requirements of the Food Law Code of Practice
- Officers will be fully acquainted with the requirements of this Enforcement upon appointment and with any revisions as they arise.


## The Informal Approach option

- The existing procedure of giving advice and informing of minor contraventions by informal letters is accepted and understood by Thanet's food businesses. Officers will use this approach as long as they believe that this will achieve compliance with food safety legislation within a time-scale that will protect the public health and ensure safe food production.
- An authorised officer will be prepared to offer advice where this is requested by the operator of an existing or new food business, and will seek to encourage food businesses to adopt good food hygiene practice through this approach.
- This informal approach will be consistent with the Food Law Code of Practice and Practice Guidance.
- Officers will clearly differentiate between legal requirements and recommendations of good hygiene practice in both verbal and written communications.


## The Use of Hygiene Improvement Notices

An improvement notice is a legal document issued under the Food Safety and Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013, Reg 6. It details contraventions of the EU Hygiene Regulations, the works required to correct the contraventions and a timescale for completion. Failure to comply with the notice is an offence.

Improvement notice procedure will be used where major contraventions of food hygiene or food processing regulations are found and where any of the following conditions are satisfied:

- where formal action is proportionate to the risk to public health;
- there is a documented history of non-compliance with food safety legislation;
- an informal approach has been tried but has not been successful, or the authorised officer has reason to believe that informal action will not be successful;
- in the case of new business or requirements, where the authorised officer assesses that the operator is unwilling or unlikely to comply, for whatever reason;
- Where there is a breakdown of controls critical for food safety, or where no such controls exist.


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An improvement notice will not be used where:

- the contravention is minor and presents no risk to public health;
- The contravention is a continuing one, e.g. cleanliness or temperature control, and a notice would only secure an improvement at one point in time. (prosecution may be the only option);
- Swift action is required, such as at a one day event where there exists a risk to public health.

Improvement notice procedure will only be implemented after the authorised officer has discussed the need for such action and its requirements with the food business operator informally and considered alternatives. The food business operator will be offered the opportunity for the matter to be referred to the officer's manager in the event of a dispute.

Only suitably qualified and experienced officers will be authorised by the Council to sign improvement notices.

## Non-Compliance with Notices

Non-compliance with an improvement notice is a serious offence and will be considered to be grounds for prosecution with the following exceptions:

- Where the remaining contraventions detailed in the notice are minor and do not pose a risk to public health;
- Where the outstanding works are in hand, (confirmation from contractor or supplier required), and an extension of time to complete the works would have been granted, if requested.

Non-compliance with an informal notice will not be considered grounds for prosecution, but the authorised officer will reconsider at this stage the enforcement options available to remedy the contravention using the criteria described above. The failure to respond in the first instance to an informal approach will influence that decision.

## The Use of Hygiene Prohibition Orders

A prohibition order may be imposed by the courts following a conviction for a food hygiene offence, if the contravention has not been corrected or there still exists a risk of injury to health. The prohibition order may prohibit the use of a process, the use of premises or equipment, or the participation in a food business by a convicted food business operator.

- An application for a prohibition order will be made if an inspection of premises, prior to a court hearing to consider a food hygiene offence, reveals that the contravention is continuing and there is a risk of injury to health.


## The Use of Hygiene Emergency Prohibition Notices

An emergency prohibition notice has the effect of immediately closing a food business or prohibiting the use of equipment or a process where there is an imminent risk of injury to health.

Conditions where prohibition of premises may be appropriate:

- Premises which contravene food safety legislation and have been or are involved in an outbreak of food poisoning or present an imminent risk of one;
- Serious infestation of vermin resulting in actual or imminent risk of contamination of food;
- Poor structural condition and poor equipment and/or poor maintenance of routine cleaning and/or serious accumulations of refuse, filth or other extraneous matter resulting in actual or imminent risk of food contamination;
- Serious drainage defects or flooding of the premises leading to actual or imminent risk of food contamination;
- Any combination of the above or any cumulative effect of contraventions which together represent an imminent risk of injury to health.

Additionally, equipment or a process may be prohibited where there is a risk of cross contamination of ready to eat food or where there is a failure to achieve critical control criteria such as minimum cooking or pasteurisation temperatures or the use of a process which is inappropriate.

An emergency prohibition notice will only be signed by a specifically authorised officer being an Environmental Health Officer having a minimum of two years post qualification experience of food enforcement matters and being currently involved in food enforcement. Such actions will, additionally, have to be approved by the Public Protection Manager or other suitably qualified senior officer.

Outside, expert advice will be sought where the process or treatment under consideration requires specialist knowledge or qualifications to establish that the health risk conditions above are met.

## Voluntary Closure

- There may be occasion where an authorised officer is satisfied that grounds for Emergency Prohibition exist, but where the food business operator offers to close voluntarily until the health risk is removed.
- Such an offer will only be accepted if the authorised officer is satisfied that there is no likelihood of the premises being used as a food business, or of the use of equipment, or of a process without the express agreement of the food authority.
- Such an offer will only be accepted if the offer to close and its acceptance are fully documented and signed by the food business operator and by a specifically authorised officer, as for an emergency prohibition notice.
- When considering such an offer, great care will be taken to ensure that the food business operator is aware that in closing voluntarily they are relinquishing the rights to compensation for unjustified action contained in formal emergency prohibition notice procedure.


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## Prosecution

- Prosecution may be considered as an alternative, in addition to, or as a consequence of failure to comply with the above enforcement procedures.
- In considering prosecution action for food safety offences an authorised officer will consider whether that course of action is proportionate to the risk presented to the public health by the contravention, using the principles outlined in the paragraph "Factors influencing the enforcement approach" above.
- Primary authorities will be consulted where prosecutions are planned and due regard will be paid to opinion of that authority. Such authorities will be notified of the outcome of prosecutions taken.
- The recommendation to prosecute will be made by the Public Protection Manager after careful consideration of a written report from the inspecting officer.
- The decision to prosecute will be made by the Principal Solicitor, who will take account of the criteria set out in the Code for Crown Prosecutors, in particular the Evidential Test and the Public Interest Test.

Factors that will be considered before initiating prosecution procedures include:

- The seriousness of the alleged offence;
- The previous compliance history of the food business;
- The likelihood that a due diligence* defence could be established;
- The ability of any important witness and their willingness to co-operate;
- The willingness of the food business operator to prevent a recurrence of the contravention;
- The probable public benefit of a prosecution and the importance of the case in establishing a precedent;
- Whether other action, such as issuing a formal caution, serving an improvement notice, or imposing a prohibition, would be more appropriate or effective;
- Any explanation offered by the food business.
* due diligence: The Food Safety Act 1990 provides a defence for a person charged with an offence that he took all reasonable precautions and exercised all due diligence to avoid the offence. This requires that, not only are suitable precautions set up, but that these are adequately implemented and monitored to ensure their effectiveness.


## Unfit Food Prosecution

(LACORS Guidance on Food Complaints - second edition)
The decision to prosecute for Food Safety Act 1990 offences relating to the sale of food unfit for human consumption, or not of the quality demanded by the purchaser will be taken at the earliest opportunity to avoid unnecessary and time consuming investigations by both authorised officers and food businesses.

Prosecution will be indicated where:

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- the offence has resulted in a risk to public health;
- there is evidence of negligence in failing to adopt basic food hygiene precautions;
- The food business has failed to respond to an informal approach to prevent a recurrence of the problem.

Particular regard will be paid to the possibility of establishing a due diligence defence.

Only officers holding a relevant food inspection qualification will be authorised to consider whether food is fit for human consumption. Independent advice will be sought from the appointed food examiner or public analyst, or other expert, where appropriate.

In all cases where a prosecution is being considered, a report will be requested from the originating food authority as appropriate and particular regard will be paid to that report.

The integrity and co-operation of a complainant in providing witness support is especially important with food complaints. The wishes of the complainant as to whether to proceed to prosecution will be respected, unless it is felt to be in the public interest to proceed independently.

## Formal Cautions

The Home Office issued a circular (30/2005) in relation to the cautioning of offender to which reference should be made. Reference should also be made to the Code of Practice under Section 22 of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 and the Code for Crown Prosecutors. Cautions are a non-statutory disposal for adult offenders and Local Authorities may therefore exercise discretion when deciding to use them; as such it is not possible to be definitive about the circumstances in which they are appropriate.

The aims of the simple caution are:

- to deal quickly and simply with less serious offences;
- to divert offenders where appropriate from appearing in the criminal courts;
- to reduce the likelihood of re-offending.

Formal caution will only be considered where there is sufficient evidence to give a realistic expectation of success if the case went to the courts. It will not be seen as an alternative to prosecution where it is felt the prosecution case is weak.

A caution can only be administered where the suspected offender is prepared to admit the offence. Care will be taken to ensure that the suspected offender understands the significance of the caution and is able to give an informed consent to being cautioned.

The decision to offer a formal caution will be taken by the Principal Solicitor upon receiving the report of the Public Protection Manager (PPM). The PPM is authorised as the "Cautioning Officer "for the purpose of implementing the caution.

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If the offer of a formal caution is declined, further enforcement action will be considered. This will usually be prosecution, but the option of a written warning will be considered.

Home and originating authorities will be notified of formal cautions issued by this authority where appropriate.

## Review of Policy

This Enforcement and Prosecution Policy will be reviewed annually or when changes in legislation or centrally issued guidance make this necessary.

## Appendices

1. Notes on BRE Regulators Compliance Code of Practice
2. Guidance on enforcement of Article 5 requirement for documented food safety systems.

## Annexe 2: Definitions

BREXIT On $30^{\text {th }}$ March 2019 under Article 50 of the Treaty on European Union the UK will cease to be a member of the EU. The decision by the UK to leave the EU will have implications for the regulatory regime for food safety in the UK.

ROF The FSA, the regulators for UK food safety, have published a controversial strategic plan for the period 2015-2020 to coincide with Brexit. The plan will lead to a major programme of regulatory change (ROF) through which the FSA is seeking to modernise comprehensively, the delivery and enforcement of its regulatory regime regarding food businesses, stating that it sends a sharper focus for the need for the FSA to move ahead with this programme before March 2019 beginning with central registration of food businesses 'Enhanced Registration'.

FLCOP Food Law Code of Practice and Practice Guidance - issued by the Food Standards Agency and mandatory for local authorities to adhere to.

From the FLCOP:
'Inspection' means the examination of any aspect of fee, food, animal health and animal welfare in order to verify that such aspect(s) comply with the legal requirements of feed and food law and animal health and welfare rules.
'Monitoring' means conducting a planned sequence of observations or measurements with a view to obtaining an overview of the state of compliance with feed or food law, animal health and animal welfare rules.
'Surveillance' means a careful observation of one or more food businesses, or food business operator or their activities
'Verification' means the checking, by examination and the consideration of objective evidence m , whether specified requirements have been fulfilled.
'Audit' means a systematic and independent examination to determine whether activities and related results comply with planned arrangements and whether these arrangements are implemented effectively and are suitable to achieve objective.

Sampling for analysis' means taking feed or food or any other substance (including for the environment) relevant to the production, processing and distribution of feed or food or to the health of animals, in order to verify thought analysis compliance with feed or food law or animal health rules.
'Intervention' is defined as Activities that are designed to monitor, support and increase food law compliance within a food establishment. This includes 'official controls'
'Official controls' are defined as any form of control for the verification of compliance with food law. This includes:

- Inspections
- Monitoring
- Surveillance
- Verification
- Audit
- Sampling (where analysis is to be carried out by an Official laboratory).
(These terms are defined in Annexe 3)
'Other interventions' are also defined and can include 'other interventions, i.e. those which do not constitute official controls include:
- Targeted education, advice and coaching at food establishment
- Information and intelligence gathering (including sampling where analysis is not carried out by an Official laboratory)

NOTE: a visit to an establishment for the purpose of obtaining a sample does NOT constitute a planned intervention unless the sampling activity forms a component part of a wider reaching official control that overall provides sufficient information to allow the officer to determine the level of compliance. .

Full Inspection: This is a check on compliance with legal requirement in accordance with elements set out in the Code. A full inspection will consider all aspects of a food business including structure, food safety management and management arrangements.

Partial Inspection: An inspection that covers only certain elements of the inspection as laid down in the Code.

Where a partial examination is agreed, the reasons for adopting this approach will be documented on the central data base M3 in the agreed format. The scope of the partial inspection will be specified in the inspection report provided to the food business operator.

Planned audits: An audit may be undertaken instead of a partial or full inspection, where any food business operator, including those providing a high risk business has put in place an acceptable documented food safety management system (addressing Article 5 Regulation 852/2004). Details of the system will be required in advance of the audit so the Officer can plan the appropriate audit.

The audit may include one or more of the following elements (FLCOP):

- Complete audit of the food safety management system
- Audit of selected elements of the food safety management system where the system is complex


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- Partial Audit concentrating on a particular produce
- Operational audit concentrating on certain arrangements such as temperature monitoring.

Annexe 3: Organisation Chart: Public Protection Team


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## THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL DECLARATION OF INTEREST FORM

## Do I have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and if so what action should I take?

Your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) are those interests that are, or should be, listed on your Register of Interest Form.

If you are at a meeting and the subject relating to one of your DPIs is to be discussed, in so far as you are aware of the DPI, you must declare the existence and explain the nature of the DPI during the declarations of interest agenda item, at the commencement of the item under discussion, or when the interest has become apparent

Once you have declared that you have a DPI (unless you have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee or the Monitoring Officer, for which you will have applied to the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting) you must:-

1. Not speak or vote on the matter;
2. Withdraw from the meeting room during the consideration of the matter;
3. Not seek to improperly influence the decision on the matter.

## Do I have a significant interest and if so what action should I take?

A significant interest is an interest (other than a DPI or an interest in an Authority Function) which:

1. Affects the financial position of yourself and/or an associated person; or Relates to the determination of your application for any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration made by, or on your behalf of, you and/or an associated person;
2. And which, in either case, a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as being so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interest.

An associated person is defined as:

- A family member or any other person with whom you have a close association, including your spouse, civil partner, or somebody with whom you are living as a husband or wife, or as if you are civil partners; or
- Any person or body who employs or has appointed such persons, any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors; or
- Any person or body in whom such persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of $£ 25,000$;
- Any body of which you are in a position of general control or management and to which you are appointed or nominated by the Authority; or
- any body in respect of which you are in a position of general control or management and which:
- exercises functions of a public nature; or
- is directed to charitable purposes; or
- has as its principal purpose or one of its principal purposes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union)

An Authority Function is defined as: -

- Housing - where you are a tenant of the Council provided that those functions do not relate particularly to your tenancy or lease; or
- Any allowance, payment or indemnity given to members of the Council;
- Any ceremonial honour given to members of the Counci
- $\quad$ Setting the Council Tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992

If you are at a meeting and you think that you have a significant interest then you must declare the existence and nature of the significant interest at the commencement of the
matter, or when the interest has become apparent, or the declarations of interest agenda item.

Once you have declared that you have a significant interest (unless you have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee or the Monitoring Officer, for which you will have applied to the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting) you must:-

1. Not speak or vote (unless the public have speaking rights, or you are present to make representations, answer questions or to give evidence relating to the business being discussed in which case you can speak only)
2. Withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the matter or immediately after speaking.
3. Not seek to improperly influence the decision.

## Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality

Councillors must declare at meetings any gift, benefit or hospitality with an estimated value (or cumulative value if a series of gifts etc.) of $£ 25$ or more. You must, at the commencement of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, disclose the existence and nature of the gift, benefit or hospitality, the identity of the donor and how the business under consideration relates to that person or body. However you can stay in the meeting unless it constitutes a significant interest, in which case it should be declared as outlined above.

## What if I am unsure?

If you are in any doubt, Members are strongly advised to seek advice from the Monitoring Officer or the Committee Services Manager well in advance of the meeting.

## DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS AND GIFTS, BENEFITS AND HOSPITALITY

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## DISCRETIONARY PECUNIARY INTEREST

SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

GIFTS, BENEFITS AND HOSPITALITY
THE NATURE OF THE INTEREST, GIFT, BENEFITS OR HOSPITALITY:

NAME (PRINT):

## SIGNATURE:

 declare any interests.

