NOTICE OF MOTION - RAMSGATE ROYAL SANDS (NO. 1)

To: Council – 6 December 2012

By: **Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager**

Classification: Unrestricted

Ward: All Wards

Summary: To consider a Notice of Motion submitted in relation to Ramsgate

Royal Sands

For Decision

1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1. Council Procedure Rule No. 16 governs the process for motions on notice being submitted to Council.

1.2.1 The following motion on notice has been received from Councillor Driver:

"This Council expresses its concern about the worrying lack of progress of SFP Ventures (UK) Ltd in developing the Royal Sands construction project.

Council notes that SFP Ventures (UK) Ltd have been in negotiations with the Council to change the current development agreement.

"Council understands that this new agreement is ready for approval once SFP Ventures (UK) Ltd has demonstrated that:

- A) it has finance in place to complete the project; and
- B) that is has an agreement in place with a hotel management company to run the hotel which forms part of the development agreement with the Council.

"Council notes that more than 4 months have elapsed since it requested SFP Ventures (UK) Ltd to provide the information in A) and B) above.

"Council recommends to Cabinet that if SFP Ventures (UK) Ltd are unable to provide the information requested by the Council in A) and B) above by 31 January 2013 that Cabinet refuses to agree any new terms with this company and will robustly enforce the existing agreement including taking back the leasehold of the Royal Sands development if necessary."

2.0 Options

- 2.1 To debate the motion (then refer to Cabinet for determination or report);
- 2.2 Not to debate the motion and refer to Cabinet for determination or report.

3.0 Corporate Implications

3.1 Financial

3.1.1 None at this stage

3.2 Legal

- 3.2.1 Council Procedure Rule 16.3 states that, if seconded, a motion on notice will stand referred without discussion to the Cabinet or appropriate Committee for determination or report, unless the Council decides to debate the motion in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 19 (rules of debate).
- 3.2.2 Council Procedure Rule 16.4 (a) (iii) states that where a motion on notice would, if adopted, constitute the exercise of an executive function, that motion must be referred to the Cabinet (or relevant Cabinet portfolio holder as appropriate) for decision.

3.3 Corporate

3.3.1 Council Procedure Rule 16 provides the opportunity for Councillors to give advance notice of motions to be put to Council.

3.4 Equity and Equalities

3.4.1 None arising at this stage.

4.0 Recommendation

4.1 Council is invited to refer the motion on notice to Cabinet for determination or report or to debate the motion and then refer to Cabinet for determination and report.

5.0 Decision Making Process

5.1 In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16, unless Council agrees otherwise, this motion will be referred to Cabinet without discussion. Council can, however, agree to debate the matter.

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Annex List

None

Background Papers

Title	Details of where to access copy
None	

Corporate Consultation Undertaken

Finance	n/a
Legal	n/a