

QUESTION NO. 1 FROM A MEMBER - REGARDING FUNDING FOR TOURISM SERVICES

Council	28 March 2019
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Portfolio Holder	Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance and Coastal Development
Classification:	Unrestricted
Key Decision	No
Ward:	All Wards

Executive Summary:

Councillor Ashbee will receive a question from a Member of Council in relation to funding of tourism services.

Recommendation(s):

This report is for information.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS					
Financial and Value for Money	There are no identified financial implications from this report.				
Legal	There are no legal implications directly from this report.				
Corporate	Council Procedure Rule 14 enables Members of Council to ask a Member of the Cabinet or the Chairman of any Committee or Sub-Committee questions on matters in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affect the district. No Member, however, can submit more than one question to one meeting.				
Equalities Act 2010 & Public Sector Equality Duty	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; margin-top: 10px;"> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 2px;">Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 80%; padding: 2px;">Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act,</td> <td style="width: 20%;"></td> </tr> </table>	Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report.		Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act,	
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	Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it	
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	There are no specific equity and equalities issues arising from this report.	

CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick those relevant) ✓	
A clean and welcoming Environment	
Promoting inward investment and job creation	
Supporting neighbourhoods	x

CORPORATE VALUES (tick those relevant) ✓	
Delivering value for money	
Supporting the Workforce	
Promoting open communications	x

1.0 Introduction and Background

1.1 The following question, addressed to Councillor Ashbee, has been received from Councillor Johnston in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 14.

Tourism is one of the most important wealth and well being generators in Thanet. Could the Cabinet member confirm she is persuading colleagues to reverse the allocation of 3 million pounds to this building and using some of the monies to save our vital tourism staff and services.

1.2 Council Procedure Rule 14.3 states that a Member of the Council may ask

- a Member of the Cabinet; or
- the Chairman of any Committee or Sub-Committee

A question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affects the district.

1.3 Council Procedure Rule 14.7 states that an answer may take the form of:

- a) a direct oral answer;
- b) where the desired information is in a publication of the Council or other published work, a reference to that publication; or
- c) where the reply cannot conveniently be given orally, a written answer circulated within three working days to the questioner.

1.4 A Member may, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14.8, ask one supplementary question without notice to the Member to whom the first question was asked. The supplemental question must arise directly out of the original question or the reply.

1.5 The questioner shall have two minutes for the initial question and one minute for the supplementary question and the respondent shall have five minutes for the initial reply and two minutes for the supplementary reply. (Council Procedure Rule 14.9 refers)

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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, Interim Head of Financial Services
Legal	Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance and Monitoring Officer