

# NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING MILLMEAD FAMILY HUB

<b>Council:</b>	10 October 2024
<b>By:</b>	Ingrid Brown, Head of Legal and Democracy and Monitoring Officer
<b>Cabinet Portfolio Member:</b>	Councillor Everitt, Leader of the Council
<b>Key Decision:</b>	No
<b>Decision classification:</b>	Unrestricted
<b>Call in status:</b>	No
<b>Ward:</b>	All

## Purpose of the Report

This Council will consider a notice of motion requesting that the Council condemns proposals set by Kent County Council to withdraw funding from the Millmead Family Hub Project.

## Recommendation(s):

With reference to the options in section 3.0 of the report, Council is invited to consider the motion.

### 1. Summary of Reasons

1.1 This report ensures that the Council complies with Council Procedure Rule 14.

### 2. Background

2.1 The following motion has been received from Councillor Boyd in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 3:

*“Thanet District Council condemns the proposal by Kent County Council to withdraw funding from the Millmead Family Hub. We stand fully behind our formal response to the recent consultation, noting in particular that relocation of these services is likely to have a significant detrimental effect on take-up and consequently on the lives of those affected in an already severely deprived area. We believe this impact is out of all proportion to any immediate saving. We call upon the leader of KCC to attend Millmead, together with TDC cabinet and ward members, to hear for himself from those directly involved about the impact of his authority’s proposal on the residents who will be adversely affected.”*

### **3. Relevant Issues**

3.1 Council could decide to:

3.2 To debate the motion,

3.3 Not to debate the motion, in which case the motion will fall

3.4 If the motion is debated, at the end of the debate a vote will be taken to agree the motion or not. As only Council can agree to this motion, if the motion falls then it will not be referred to any other committee.

### **4. Consultation**

4.1 There is no public law duty or statutory requirement to consult on this matter.

### **5. Corporate Implications**

#### **5.1 Finance and Resources**

5.1.1 If this proposal moves ahead and the premises are handed back to TDC there will be repairs required (to be determined), but these could be offset by rental income.

#### **5.2 Legal and Constitutional**

There are no particular legal implications arising from this report and the relevant part of the constitution are referred to in the body of this report.

#### **5.3 Council Policies and Priorities**

5.3.1 This report relates to the following corporate priorities: -

- To keep our district safe and clean
- To deliver the housing we need
- To protect our environment
- To create a thriving place
- To work efficiently for you

#### **5.4 Risk**

5.4.1 There are no risk implications arising from this report.

#### **5.5 Climate Change and Biodiversity**

5.5.1 There are no implications on Climate Change and Biodiversity.

### **6. Equality, Equity and Diversity Implications**

- 6.1 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, sex, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy & maternity. Only aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage & civil partnership.

There are no specific equality issues arising from this report.

## **7. Crime and Disorder Implications and Community impact**

- 7.1 There are no crime and disorder implications to this report.

## **8. Subject History**

- 8.1 N/A

## **Appendices**

None

## **Background Papers**

None

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## **Report Sign Off**

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