CONSULTATION:

Kent Environment Strategy: A strategy for environment, health and economy 27^{th} July -25^{th} September

As you are a key stakeholder and many of you have been involved in workshops and meetings to develop the strategy, I would like to draw your attention to the Kent Environment Strategy consultation draft, which is launched today at: www.kent.gov.uk/kesconsultation

This strategy has been developed in partnership, drawing on expertise from across organisations, sectors and specialisms. As such, the strategy cuts across services and organisations and we all have a role to play in its development, ensuring that we are delivering the right priorities for Kent. Please do circulate widely across your networks as we are keen to capture feedback from across organisations, residents, businesses and voluntary sectors.

The vision of the strategy is that the county of Kent is benefitting from a competitive, innovative and resilient economy, with our natural and historic assets enhanced and protected for their unique value and positive impact on our society, economy, health and wellbeing.

Based on your feedback we will develop the final strategy by **December 2015** with an aim to launch it in **March 2016**. Between August and November we will also be developing the Implementation Plan, which will provide the detail for delivery of the strategic priorities. We will therefore be in touch with many of you separately over the next few weeks to discuss actions for delivery.

If you need any of the documents in an alternative format please contact alternativeformats@kent.gov.uk

Thank you in advance and we look forward to hearing your thoughts; if you would like any further information on the development of the strategy and next steps please contact sarah.anderson@kent.gov.uk; Phone 03000 413316.

Kind regards

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