SWALE BOROUGH COUNCIL FORWARD PLAN AND NOTICE OF KEY DECISIONS

February 2017 - May 2017

Notes:

A key decision is defined as 'an Executive decision which is likely to (a) result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.'

The key decision threshold, confirmed by Council, is set at £100,000 (this relates to (a) of the definition above).

Where the decision will be made by Cabinet the Members of the Cabinet are:

Councillor Andrew Bowles - Leader
Councillor Gerry Lewin - Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Planning
Councillor Duncan Dewar-Whalley - Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance
Councillor Mike Cosgrove - Cabinet Member for Regeneration
Councillor David Simmons - Cabinet Member for Environment and Rural Affairs
Councillor Alan Horton - Cabinet Member for Safer Families and Communities
Councillor Ken Pugh - Cabinet Member for Housing and Wellbeing

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Other documents relevant to the decision item may be submitted to the decision maker; please contact Democratic Services (contact details above) to request details of these documents as they become available.

Item	Decision item and background information	Decision maker, date of meeting	Key Decision	Will the report be exempt or have any exempt appendices?	List of the documents submitted to the decision maker	Lead Member and Lead Officer
	South Thames Gateway Building Control Partnership - Business Plan 2017 to 2020 To agree the annual rolling three year business plan (2017 to 2020) and accompanying delivery plan for the shared building control service.	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.	Open		Cabinet Member for Planning James Freeman
	Repairs to historic wall at Minster Abbey Churchyard This report seeks authority	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance

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	to allocate funding and enter into a contract to carry-out essential repairs to a historic wall in Minster Abbey churchyard.		because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			David Brown
	Sittingbourne Town Centre Regeneration Project - variations to the development agreement Cabinet to approve the variations that are required to the development	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority	Open		Cabinet Member for Regeneration Emma Wiggins

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	agreement.		incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			
	Adoption of Biodiversity Action Plan and Swale Green Grid Strategy Swale Green Grid Partnership, comprising statutory environment agencies, has refreshed strategies to reflect current environment framework including legislative	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Key It is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral	Open		Cabinet Member for Environment and Rural Affairs Lyn Newton

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	changes. The key documents can be used to support the Local Plan as well as support planning and external funding applications by local organisations.		divisions in the area of the local authority.			
	Public Conveniences Cleaning and Minor Maintenance Contract Renewal The report contains a proposal to retender the public conveniences cleaning and minor maintenance contract.	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Key It is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.	Open		Cabinet Member for Environment and Rural Affairs Alan Turner
	Minutes of the South Thames Gateway Building Control Joint Committee held on 8 December 2016	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the	Open		Cabinet Member for Planning James Freeman

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			local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			
	Minutes of the Swale Joint Transportation Board meeting held on 19 December 2016	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in	Open		Cabinet Member for Regeneration Dave Thomas

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			excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			
	The Mill Project This report request authority to award the Contract for the Design and Build of the skatepark at The Mill site Sittingbourne. The report also seeks approval to transfer the skatepark to Brogdale CIC under the Asset Transfer Policy.	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Key It is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure above £100,000 or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Charlotte Hudson

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			budget for the service or function to which the decision relates.			
	Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy 2017/18 This report sets out and seeks approval of the proposed Treasury Management Strategy and Investment Strategy for the Council in 2017/18. It will be proposed to Council at the meeting on 15 February 2017.	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it will be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers
	Medium Term Financial Plan and 2017/18 Budget This report sets out the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan and proposals for the 2017/18 Budget.	Cabinet 1 February 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it will be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers

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	Proposal to move to a Single Employing Authority for the Mid Kent Environmental Health Service Co-located meeting to be arranged. To consider adopting a single employing authority for the Mid Kent Environmental Health Service (MKEH) to provide an effective platform for future service development whilst retaining existing two site model. It summarises the range of benefits of moving to a single employer and considers how this supports the priorities of Mid Kent Improvement Partnership.	Cabinet	Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.	Open		
	Property Asset Strategy 2017 - 2020 The report asks Cabinet to approve the Property Asset	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Anne Adams

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	Strategy 2017 - 2020.		not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			
	Stray Dog Kennel and Rehoming Contract The current stray dog kennel and re-homing Contract ends in 2017. This paper makes recommendations for	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Key It is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure above £100,000 or	Open		Cabinet Member for Safer Families and Communities Alister Andrews

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	service provision and seeks approval for any new contracts.		the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates.			
	Fees for the Pre-Application Planning Advice Service To review the current fees and charges for the Council's pre-application advice service for the next financial year.	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it will be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Planning Andrew Jeffers
	Extension of the Bailiff Framework Agreement To consider the proposal to extend the bailiff services framework agreements relating to the recovery of unpaid Penalty Charge Notices and the collection of unpaid Council Tax and	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Key It is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two	Open		Cabinet Member for Safer Families and Communities Jeff Kitson

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	Non-domestic rates for a further two years.		or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			
	Lakeview Village Hall Asset Transfer This report seeks approval for the transfer of The Lakeview Village Hall to The Lakeview Village Hall Trust.	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Charlotte Hudson

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	Extension to CCTV Partnership Agreement Agreement is to be sought to extend existing CCTV Partnership Agreement with Medway Council for 1 year to 31 March 2018, with possibility to extend a subsequent year.	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Key It is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.	Open		Cabinet Member for Safer Families and Communities Steph Curtis
	Visitor Economy Strategy Sets out priority actions for the tourism sector in Swale from 2017 to 2020.	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Key It is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure above £100,000 or the making of savings which are, significant	Open		Cabinet Member for Regeneration Lyn Newton

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			having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates.			
	Financial Management Report: April - December 2016 This report shows the revenue and capital projected outturn for 2016/17 as at the end of period 9, covering the period from April to December 2016.	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it is for information only.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers
	Minutes of the Swale Joint Transportation Board meeting held on 6 March 2017	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or	Open		Cabinet Member for Regeneration Dave Thomas

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			savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			
	Minutes of the Local Development Framework Panel on 9 February 2017 This is not a key decision as the making and adoption of the LDF will ultimately be considered and decided by Full Council	Cabinet 15 March 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as the making and adoption of the LDF will ultimately be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Planning Gill Harris

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	Minutes of the South Thames Gateway Building Control Joint Partnership held on 16 March 2017	Cabinet 24 May 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.	Open		Cabinet Member for Localism, Sport, Culture and Heritage James Freeman