

Tonbridge and Malling Parish Partnership Panel

Thursday, 14 November 2019

Kent County Council Services Update

Kent County Council elects new Leader and new Cabinet revealed.

Kent County Council has elected its new Leader following Paul Carter's decision to stand down after 14 years as Leader on 17 October 2019. The new cabinet, which was officially confirmed on 18 October, is:

- **Roger Gough - Leader**
- **Peter Oakford - Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate and Traded Services**
- **Clair Bell - Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health**
- **Susan Carey - Cabinet Member for Environment**
- **Sue Chandler - Cabinet Member for Integrated Children's Services**
- **Mike Hill - Cabinet Member for Community & Regulatory Services**
- **Richard Long - Cabinet Member for Education and Skills**
- **Michael Payne - Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport**
- **Shellina Prendergast - Cabinet Member for Communications, Engagement and People**
- **Mike Whiting - Cabinet Member for Economic Development**

Allington Integrated Waste Management Facility Extension

The IWMF is located to the north-west of Allington. It includes a waste transfer station for non-hazardous, clean recyclables from households and businesses and an Energy from Waste (EfW) plant, which recovers energy from what's left. FCC Environment is proposing to extend the EfW facility by adding a new waste treatment line to complement the existing three-line facility. This will allow the generation of up to an additional 30MW of energy through the treatment of approximately 350,000 tonnes of residual waste each year.

The application for an extension to the Allington EfW facility is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) because of its generating capacity (over 50MW electrical generation once it is extended).

You can find out more by:

Going online: www.fccenvironment.co.uk/kent-enviropower

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Streetlighting

KCC Highways have informed us that the investment into the Street Lighting Central Management System (CMS) has seen a significant reduction in faults reported by the public. Highways receives daily reports from the CMS, and thus any faults with the streetlights can be detected and a job created to investigate and repair the fault in a timely manner.

The network is not yet fully operational (they have reached 117,000 of 119,000 installations), however it is hoped that once the remaining installations have been completed, the coverage will be able to pick up on the remaining lights.

In the interim, the public can report any issues with streetlights via the fault reporting tool at www.kent.gov.uk.

Consultations - **have your say, your views count**

You can view all KCC consultations online at: <http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti>

Signed up to the KCC Consultation Directory yet? It only takes a few minutes to register and gives a full list of past, current and planned consultations and provides an opportunity to feedback on local services and policies. It enables KCC to contact residents when an activity is due to take place or to receive feedback for a particular consultation or involvement activity when it is published on KCC's website.

(Please note there are separate lists for **Traffic Regulation Orders** and **Start of Works Notices** and for **Public Rights of Way Notices**.)

Active consultations:

Budget Consultation – 16 October to 25 November 2019

KCC is seeking your views on Council Tax and spending priorities to help us shape and balance the 2020-21 Budget.

Your responses will be considered by Members at their Cabinet Committee meetings taking place throughout January 2020 before the budget is debated and approved by County Council in February 2020.

For more information on KCC's Budget Consultation please visit kent.gov.uk/budget

For more information on any of these subjects please contact:

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