

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION

**Decision Taken By: Cabinet Member for Economic
Regeneration**

**Decision No:
D150064MEM**

Date: 09 September 2015

Decision(s) and Reason(s)

West Kent Priorities for Economic Growth 2015 - 2018

(Report of Chief Executive)

The report provided an overview of the amended West Kent Priorities for Economic Growth Strategy which identified five key areas for economic growth. Consideration was given to the priorities for West Kent set out in the document and, in particular, the transformational scheme to be accorded the highest priority for Tonbridge and Malling.

An update was also given on the case for a Kent and Medway Local Enterprise Partnership in place of the South East LEP and the Government's response that there was unlikely to be significant change to any LEP.

Following consideration by the Economic Regeneration Advisory Board, the Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration resolved that:

The transformational priorities set out in the West Kent Priorities for Economic Growth document be endorsed and the scheme for enhanced capacity to the Leigh Flood Storage Area and flooding works at East Peckham be identified as Tonbridge and Malling's highest priority.

Reasons: As set out in the report submitted to the Economic Regeneration Advisory Board of 9 September 2015.

Signed Cabinet Member for
Economic Regeneration
and Leader:

N Heslop

Signed Chief Executive:

J Beilby

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Enhancement of Local Neighbourhood Centres

(Report of Chief Executive)

Details were given of progress to date on the Local Neighbourhood Centres Programme, an initiative which sought to provide grant support to local traders for implementing improvements in those centres. A proposal was considered to redefine Quarry Hill Parade as a “district centre” eligible for grant assistance up to £7,500 rather than the £3,000 available to “local neighbourhood centres”.

Following consideration by the Economic Regeneration Advisory Board, the Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration resolved that:

The progress in the programme be noted and the proposed increase in grant for the Quarry Hill area, as detailed in the report, be approved.

Reasons: As set out in the report submitted to the Economic Regeneration Advisory Board of 9 September 2015.

Signed Cabinet Member for
Economic Regeneration
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West Kent LEADER Programme

(Report of Chief Executive)

The report provided an update on the development of the new West Kent LEADER programme, due to be launched in mid-October, including proposals for assisting with promotion of the available grant support and encouraging local take up.

Following consideration by the Economic Regeneration Advisory Board, the Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration resolved that:

The proposed actions to promote take up of LEADER grants within the Borough, as set out in the report, be endorsed.

Reasons: As set out in the report submitted to the Economic Regeneration Advisory Board of 9 September 2015.

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