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To: MEMBERS OF THE ECONOMIC REGENERATION ADVISORY BOARD
(Copies to all Members of the Council)

Dear Sir/Madam

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Economic Regeneration Advisory Board to be held online via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, 3rd November, 2020 commencing at 7.30 pm. Information on how to observe the meeting will be published on the Council's website.

Yours faithfully

JULIE BEILBY

Chief Executive

A G E N D A

PART 1 - PUBLIC

1. Apologies for absence 5 - 6
2. Declarations of interest 7 - 8

Members in any doubt about declarations are advised to contact Legal or Democratic Services in advance of the meeting.

3. Minutes 9 - 12

To confirm as a correct record the Notes of the meeting of the Economic Regeneration Advisory Board held on 2 September 2020

4. The Economic Impact of Covid-19 Crisis - An update 13 - 14

A presentation by the Economic Regeneration Manager (Jeremy Whittaker) on the continuing impact of the Covid-19 crisis on the local economy. Information on support for local businesses will also be provided.

Matters for Recommendation to the Cabinet

5. Borough Economic Recovery Strategy 2021-23 15 - 38

This report sets out the proposed changes to the draft strategy in light of the feedback received during the consultation exercise which was undertaken in September - October 2020, and recommends adoption of the strategy as amended.

6. Business Rates Retention Pilot and Pool Update 39 - 44

This report gives an update on the Business Rates Retention Pilot and Business Rates Pool funding and, following on from an initial report to the Board in September 2020, provides more detail on potential priority projects for funding in light of the impact of Covid-19.

7. West Kent Kickstart Programme 45 - 48

This report outlines the national Kickstart Scheme and updates the Board on measures being undertaken to set up a 'gateway' to help tackle youth unemployment in West Kent, and the potential for the Borough Council to support the programme.

Matters submitted for Information

8. West Kent Partnership Update 49 - 56

The report provided a summary of the key matters discussed at the meeting of the West Kent Partnership held on 9 October 2020.

9. Urgent Items 57 - 58

Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent due to special circumstances and of which notice has been given to the Chief Executive.

Matters for consideration in Private

10. Exclusion of Press and Public 59 - 60

The Chairman to move that the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting during consideration of any items the publication of which would disclose exempt information.

PART 2 - PRIVATE

11. Urgent Items 61 - 62

Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent due to special circumstances and of which notice has been given to the Chief Executive.

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