

## **The Adoption of the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Management Plan**

**Item PE 21/12 referred from Planning and Transportation Advisory Board of 29 June 2021**

The report of the Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental Health reminded Members of the requirement under The Countryside and Rights of Way (CROW) Act 2000 for local authorities to produce, adopt and keep under review Management Plans for Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The report outlined the review undertaken to update the current Kent Downs (AONB) Management Plan for the period 2021-2026.

**RECOMMENDED:** That

- (1) Cabinet commends that Council resolve to adopt the Kent Downs AONB Management Plan 2021-2026 as a material planning consideration; and
- (2) Delegated authority be given to the Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental Health, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure, to produce the Kent Downs AONB Management Plan and to make further minor changes during the adoption process.

**\*Referred to Cabinet**