

Cabinet

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Part 1 - Public

Executive Non-key Decision



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Tonbridge Town Centre Programme Board – Change of Membership

1 Summary and Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report details changes to the membership of the Tonbridge Town Centre Programme Board (TTCPB) in accordance with section 2.0 & 2.4 within the TTCPB Terms of Reference. These changes are proposed following the changes to the membership of Cabinet announced by the Leader at Annual Council.

2 Corporate Strategy Priority Area

- 2.1 Investing in our local economic to help support residents and businesses and foster sustainable growth.
- 2.2 Under this theme, the Corporate Strategy identifies 'ways we could use our land and other assets better, especially in Tonbridge town centre'.

3 Recommendations

- 3.1 To support the change of membership within the Tonbridge Town Centre Programme Board as follows:
 - (1) The Cabinet Member for Housing, Environment and Economy to come off the TTCPB.
 - (2) Cabinet be invited to put forward a nomination for the vacant post.
 - (3) The Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Tonbridge Regeneration be made Chair.

4 Introduction and Background

- 4.1 At Annual Council on 13 May 2025 the Leader announced certain changes to the membership of Cabinet. These changes have a consequential impact on the portfolios of Cabinet Members and in turn on the membership of the TTCPB.
- 4.2 The role of the TTCPB is to support the delivery of the Council's programme of work in connection with Tonbridge town centre, making recommendations to Cabinet as required. The Terms of Reference for the TTCPB can be found at **Annex A**.

5 Proposal

- 5.1 That membership of the TTCPB is changed as set out in section 3 of the report.

6 Other Options

- 6.1 The TTCPB membership remains unchanged, which would not align with the revised Cabinet Member portfolios and potentially lead to the inefficient running of the TTCPB.

7 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

- 7.1 The inclusion of the Cabinet Member for Finance, Waste & Technical Services will ensure that any expenditure on the town centre programme will be monitored and managed appropriately.

8 Risk Assessment

- 8.1 The risk of not updating membership may lead to the inefficient running of the TTCPB, ultimately impacting on the progress made with corporate priority projects.

9 Legal Implications

- 9.1 There are not considered to be any legal implications associated with the contents of this report.

10 Consultation and Communications

- 10.1 The relevant Members directly affected by the proposed changes are in agreement with the proposals.

11 Implementation

- 11.1 The recommendation for approval set out in this report will become effective if approved by Members following the expiry of the call-in period.

12 Cross Cutting Issues

12.1 Climate Change and Biodiversity

12.1.1 Limited or low impact on emissions and environment.

12.1.2 Climate change advice has not been sought in the preparation of the options and recommendations in this report.

12.2 Equalities and Diversity

12.2.1 The decisions recommended through this paper have a remote or low relevance to the substance of the Equality Act. There is no perceived impact on end users.

12.3 Other If Relevant

- None

Background Papers	N/A
Annexes	Annex A - TTCPB Terms of Reference