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Dear Councillor

GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE – (GE08 16) BUSINESS CASE FOR SINGLE EAST KENT COUNCIL

Please find attached a General Exception notice relating to a decision to be taken by Cabinet at its meeting on 1 March 2017 relating to the business case for a single east Kent council.

This is a Key Decision which was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions published on 31 January 2017. However, the decision may still be taken provided 5 clear days have elapsed between publishing a General Exception notice and informing the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee, and the decision being taken.

Members of the public who require further information are asked to contact Kate Batty-Smith on 01304 872303 or by e-mail at kate.batty-smith@dover.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Kate Batty-Smith". Below the signature is a short horizontal line.

Democratic Support Officer

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DEMOCRATIC SUPPORT SECTION ONLY	
Decision No:	<u>GE08</u>
Publication Date:	<u>21/02/17</u>

General Exception

Pursuant to the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Notice of Key Decision

A: Decision to be taken and by whom

Consideration of the independent business case for establishing a new single district council for east Kent.

Cabinet on 1 March 2017.

This is a Key Decision which has not been included within the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions, but which must be taken by such a date that it is impracticable to defer the decision until 28 days after the next Notice is published.

B: Reasons why this Key Decision was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions and why it would not be practicable to defer the decision

Due to an oversight, this decision was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions published on 31 January 2017. To adhere to the decision-making timetable for all of the councils involved, it is not practical to defer the decision.

C: List of documents submitted to the decision-maker

Report to Cabinet of 1 March 2017.

D: Part of the Constitution authorising the decision

Rule 15 (General Exception Procedure) of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (Part 4 – Rules of Procedure).

- Notice must be given in the first instance to the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee
- The General Exception procedure allows a Key Decision which has been omitted from the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions to be taken, provided 5 clear days has elapsed between informing the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee and making a copy of this notice available to the public (on the website and displayed in the Council Chamber lobby), and the decision being taken.
- Subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure, copies of, or extracts from, documents submitted to the decision-maker in relation to the decision may be requested from the address given below. In addition, the public may submit other documents relevant to the decision to the same address.

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