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Dear Councillor

GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE – (GE03 17) APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANTS AND RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR STUDY OF LAND TO THE NORTH OF DEAL

Please find attached a General Exception notice in relation to the appointment of WSP/LDA Design to undertake a study of land to the north of Deal as part of the Local Plan review, and the release of funds from the Medium-Term Financial Plan for this purpose.

These decisions will be taken by the Portfolio Holders for Environment, Waste and Planning and Corporate Resources and Performance. They are Key Decisions which were not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions. However, they 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 decisions 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 cursive script 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>GE03</u>
Publication Date:	<u>14/08/17</u>

General Exception

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

Notice of Key Decision

A: Decisions to be taken and by whom

- (1) To approve the appointment of WSP/LDA Design to undertake a study of land to the north of Deal as part of the review of the Local Plan.
- (2) To approve the release of funding of £75,000 from the Medium-Term Financial Plan to assist with the cost of the study.

Decisions to be taken by:

Councillor Nicholas Kenton, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning – Recommendation (1)

Councillor Michael Conolly, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources and Performance – Recommendation (2)

These are Key Decisions which have 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, these decisions were not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions. To ensure that the earliest possible appointment of consultants to undertake a comprehensive study of land to the north of Deal is made, it is impracticable to defer the decision until 28 days after the next Notice is published.

The securing and collation of traffic flow data will form a key foundation to the development of the Transport Model, and the early appointment of consultants will enable the necessary arrangements to be put in place to undertake surveys in neutral months in the early autumn.

C: List of documents submitted to the decision-maker

Exempt Report.

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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