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Dear Councillor

GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE – (GE04 14) COLLECTIVE ENERGY SWITCHING

Please find attached a General Exception Notice which gives details of a Key Decision (Collective Energy Switching) which is due to be considered by Cabinet at its meeting to be held on 6 October 2014.

This decision was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions, but may still be taken provided 5 clear days' notice is given in accordance with the Council's General Exception procedure.

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".

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DEMOCRATIC SUPPORT SECTION ONLY	
Decision No:	GE04
Publication Date:	25/09/14

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

At its meeting to be held on 6 October 2014, Cabinet will be requested to:

- (a) Agree to continuing to provide a community energy collective switching scheme (Energy Deal) in collaboration with other Kent Local Authorities;
- (b) Agree that Dover District Council should take the lead on behalf of the collaboration of Kent Authorities;
- (c) Agree to enter into a new contract with iChoosr via an OJEU compliant framework managed by the Local Government Association and North East Procurement Organisation.

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

This decision was not included in the Notice of Forthcoming Key Decisions as it was only recently identified as being a Key Decision.

Deferment of this report would mean uncertainty for the Kent-wide collaboration, and insufficient time to ensure all necessary arrangements are in place before the commencement of the 2014/15 Winter Campaign on 2 December 2014.

C: List of documents submitted to the decision-maker

Cabinet report of 6 October 2014.

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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