RIVER DOUR GREENWAY – UPDATE

To: **Joint Transportation Board – 20 December 2012**

By: John Burr, Director of Highways, Kent County Council

Classification: Unrestricted

Ward: **Dover Town**

Summary: This report updates Members on the progress of Phase 1 and Phase

2 of the River Dour Greenway

For Information

1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1 Kent County Council is developing a new walking and cycle route in Dover known as the River Dour Greenway. The aim of the route is to improve the links across Dover town by providing an important 'backbone' to the Dover Town cycle network. From this, future cycle routes from Whitfield and River can link in, as can the national cycle network.
- 1.2 The works are being funded by a National Lottery grant through Sustrans; an organisation which seeks to improve sustainable transport provision across the UK. The funding must be spent by the end of March 2013.

2.0 Update on Phase 1

- 2.1 Buckland Bridge The construction of the bridge is programmed for 2013. The bridge will be assembled off-site, and then lifted into place once the old bridge has been removed. A temporary bridge will be put in place while the old bridge is being dismantled.
- 2.2 Dedication of Land Asda. Discussions with Asda are making good progress, with final agreements being made to the deed of dedication.

3.0 Update on Phase 2

- 3.1 Dedication of Land K-college. KCC has met with K College to discuss the particulars of the deed of dedication, and good progress is being made. The draft deed has been sent to K College.
- 3.2 Dedication of Land DDC-owned land. KCC are in discussions with Dover District Council regarding dedicating DDC-owned land as public Highway, and good progress is being made. The draft deed has been sent to DDC.
- 3.3 New Bridge An application for planning permission for the new bridge has been submitted, and goes to planning committee on the 13th December 2012. A verbal update on the progress of this will be reported on the night.

3.4 Once the land dedication agreements have been made, and assuming planning permission is granted, construction is programmed for early 2013.

4.0 Corporate Implications

4.1 Financial and VAT

4.1.1 None for Dover District Council.

4.2 Legal

4.2.1 None for Dover District Council.

4.3 Corporate

4.3.1 None for Dover District Council.

5.0 Recommendation(s)

4.1 That Members note the update

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Background Papers

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