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COUNCIL - 9 November 2010

Report by Leader of the Council

This is my report to Council on the work undertaken by the Leader and the Cabinet in the period 3 September to 27 October 2010. I am listing below the agenda items discussed since Members will have received the minutes of those meetings.

Cabinet – 30 September 2010

- Vision for Balanced Communities 2010 2013
- Health White Paper: Equity & Excellence: Liberating the NHS
- Annual Review of Parking Charges
- Sustainable Procurement Update
- Draft Community Grant Scheme Guidelines
- Service Prioritisation Matrix
- Investment Strategy Update
- Annual Treasury Management Report 2009/10
- Property Review Cobden Road Centre, Sevenoaks and the Shambles, Sevenoaks*
- Sevenoaks Cycling Strategy*
- Waste and Recycling Group Report*
- Financial Prospects and Budget Strategy 2011/2012 and Beyond*
- * Matters considered by Select Committees and not included elsewhere on the Cabinet agenda

Council – 14 September 2010

- Report of the Electoral Arrangements Committee: Ash Ward, Name Change
- Budget setting

The work of the Leader – Meetings held and attended:

From 3 September 2010:

- Kent Leaders meeting
- Visit to the new hospital development at Pembury
- Local Government Group Improvement Board
- Kent Leaders working group Kent Re-Commitment
- Total Place Reception hosted by Bob Neill MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
- Staff induction day

- Meeting with Public-i
- Local Government Group Executive
- Local Government Group Councillors' forum
- District Council Network (DCN) Executive
- Tour of West Kent College redevelopment
- Sevenoaks District Local Strategic Partnership Members' Steering Group
- Six monthly meeting with Alan Riddell, Chairman of the Standards Committee
- Sevenoaks District Council/West Kent Housing Association liaison meeting
- Kent County Council's Chairman's West Kent Area Reception
- Acorn Residents' Association meeting and consultation on Blighs/London Road
- Steve Plater, Transition Sevenoaks
- Kent Leaders and Chief Executives meeting

October 2010:

- Local Government Association Local Innovation Awards Scheme
- Meeting with Dartford Borough Council
- Visit to Knole Academy
- Kent Partnership
- Local Government Group Executive
- Local Government Group Councillors forum
- West Kent Partnership & Invicta Chamber of Commerce autumn conference
- Meeting with Bob Neill MP re Gypsies & Travellers
- Launch of Spring House Sure Start Children's Centres
- Kent Property Market Report breakfast launch
- The Second Kent Rail Summit
- Meeting with Eric Pickles MP re Council Spending Settlement
- Interview with Price Mariner regarding possible Environmental Health shared working
- Kent and Medway Leaders and Chief Executives meeting
- Local Government Group Urban Commission