RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CABINET ADVISORY COMMITTEES

a) Proposed Joint working project between Sevenoaks District Council and Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council on Building Control Services (Minute 40, Finance & Advisory Committee – 21 January 2013)

The Chief Officer Environmental & Operational Services presented a report proposing an operating model for joint working with Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council (T&MBC) for Building Control Services and recommending that a joint working arrangement be entered into. This would build on the previously shared management arrangements and would achieve efficiency savings for both Authorities and significantly increase the resilience of the Service by amalgamating two existing small teams into one larger team covering both Authorities.

It was noted that a more detailed report would be considered by the Economic and Community Development Advisory Committee on 26 February 2014 before consideration at Cabinet on 6 March 2014.

Resolved: That it be recommended to Cabinet, and reported to the Economic and Community Development Advisory Committee that:

- a) in principle, and, subject to the views of the Economic and Community
 Development Advisory Committee the Council enter into an agreement with
 T&MBC for a joint working project for Building Control Services;
- b) the Portfolio Holder for Economic and Community Development be delegated the Authority to agree the Heads of Terms for a joint working Agreement; and
- c) the Portfolio Holder for Economic and Community Development be delegated the authority to approve any consequential actions required in order to implement the project.

Economic & Community Development Advisory Committee references to follow.