

Officer Executive Decisions

Relocation of Services Provided at Riverside One, Chatham

On 15 July 2014 the Cabinet considered a report which sought authority to take a lease or leases of new premises to relocate the services currently provided at the Riverside One building in Chatham (Revenue and Benefits, Customer Contact, Housing Solutions and Client Financial Services).

The report considered the implications of retaining Riverside One, which was not considered to be either cost effective or desirable. It was reported that the proposed relocation would overcome the need to rectify the structural subsidence associated with the building and allow its demolition to facilitate the future restoration of the Great Barrier Ditch.

A copy of the report is available via the following link:

<http://democracy.medway.gov.uk/mgconvert2pdf.aspx?id=24275>

The Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Assistant Director of Legal and Corporate Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, to acquire a lease of alternative premises and ancillary parking on the best terms reasonably obtainable (decision 126/2014).

It is noted that in support of this Full Council, on 24 July 2014, agreed the addition of £800,000 to the capital programme to fund the adaptation and fit-out of new premises, associated relocation costs and the demolition of the Riverside One building.

Decision: The decision to take a lease of offices at Kingsley House Gillingham was made in order to acquire a suitable property to relocate the services provided at Riverside One building in Chatham. The agreement was reached under satisfactory terms for a new lease in accordance with the Cabinet decision

Reasons for Decision: To implement the Cabinet decision

Date of Decision: 19 March 2015

Officer: Perry Holmes Assistant Director Legal & Corporate Services
Telephone (01634) 332133 Email: Perry.Holmes@medway.gov.uk

Details of any other options considered and rejected: Not applicable

Conflicts of Interest None declared