## Officer Executive Decisions

# Medway Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) and Enhanced Partnership

On 8 February 2023, the Cabinet considered a report which sought approval of the publication of the draft Enhanced Partnership (EP) and Plans for buses in Medway, by the end of April 2022 and the adoption of the final EP Plan and Scheme(s), following a statutory consultation period in accordance with deadlines to be determined by the Department for Transport (DfT).

The Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Place, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Front Line Services, to negotiate and agree on behalf of the Council any amendments to the draft Enhanced Partnership's Plan and Scheme(s) arising from the statutory consultation and publish the final EP by the date to be determined by the DfT (Decision No. 28/2022 refers).

This report is available on the Council's website.

## Decision

Medway's Enhanced Partnership Plan was published on the Council website with effect from 1 July 2022 and the annual BSIP update in November 2022, in line with the delegation and agreement from the Department for Transport.

#### Reasons for Decision

To ensure that Medway Council demonstrates its commitment to the principles outlined in the National Bus Strategy by implementing an Enhanced Partnership, thereby securing existing funding allocations, and putting the Council in a position where it can bid for future funding to improve public transport in Medway.

### Date of Decision

1 July 2022

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Details of any other options considered and rejected

None

Conflicts of Interest

None