



## Selection and Constitutional Review Committee

Notice of a meeting, to be held in Committee Room No. 2 (Bad Münstereifel Room), Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford, Kent TN23 1PL on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 6.30pm.\*

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The Members of this Committee are:-

Cllr Wood (Chairman)  
Cllr Clarkson (Vice-Chairman)  
Cllrs Bennett, Chilton, Davison, Mrs Dyer, Galpin, Goddard, Mrs Heyes, Howard,  
Mrs Martin, Smith

\* **Please Note Start Time**

**N.B.** Under the Council's Public Participation Scheme, members of the public can submit a petition, ask a question or speak concerning any item contained on this Agenda (Procedure Rule 9 refers)

### Agenda

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Nos.**

1. **Apologies/Substitutes** – To receive Notification of Substitutes in accordance with Procedure Rule 1.2 (iii)
2. **Declarations of Interest** – Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council on the 24<sup>th</sup> May 2007 relating to items on this Agenda should be made here. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared.
3. **Minutes** – To approve the Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2011

### Part I – For Decision

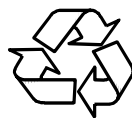
4. Ashford's Future Company Ltd – 'Founding Members' Decisions
5. Date of Future Meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> February 2012, 6.30 pm, Committee Room 2

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4<sup>th</sup> January 2012

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Selection & Constitutional Review Committee held in Committee Room No.2 (Bad Münstereifel Room), Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford on the **10<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

### **Present:**

Cllr. Wood (Chairman);  
Cllr. Clarkson (Vice-Chairman);  
Cllrs. Bennett, Mrs Blanford, Chilton, Davison, Galpin, Heyes, Howard, Mrs Martin, Smith.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 1.2 (iii) Councillors Mrs Blanford and Heyes attended as Substitute Members for Councillors Goddard and Mrs Dyer respectively.

### **Apologies:**

Cllrs. Mrs Dyer, Goddard.

### **Also Present:**

Member Services & Scrutiny Manager.

## **205 Minutes**

### **Resolved:**

**That the Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2011 be approved and confirmed as a correct record.**

## **206 Representatives on Outside Bodies/Organisations – Ashford Museum Committee**

The report advised the Committee of a need to make a nomination for the appointment of a Member representative to sit on the Ashford Museum Committee.

### **Resolved:**

**That Councillor Adby be appointed as the Council's representative on the Ashford Museum Committee.**

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SELECTION & CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE  
12 JANUARY 2012  
REPORT OF HEAD OF LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES  
ASHFORD'S FUTURE COMPANY LIMITED  
'FOUNDING MEMBER' DECISIONS

1. The Borough Council is the sole remaining member of the Ashford's Future Company. The business of the company has been wound-down in accordance with previous decisions of the Council.
2. Operational company decisions are normally made by Directors. Certain types of key decisions must be made by company members as opposed to Directors. In the past the councillor nominated to act as Director has also been appointed/authorised to make any necessary company member decisions on behalf of the Council (in consultation with the Chief Executive and Leader, if relevant).
3. Bearing in mind the current circumstances of the company, it would be sensible to appoint an 'alternate' councillor to make any necessary company member decisions where the Leader of the Council is unable or unavailable to act for any reason (including in circumstances where he has or may have a conflict of interest for example a conflict with his role as Director). This "alternate" councillor should make any such decisions in consultation with the Chief Executive, as before. But it would not be appropriate to consult with the Leader in these circumstances. Therefore, should the Chief Executive be unavailable or unable to act, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services would fulfil this role of consultee.
4. It is recommended that the Committee resolve to appoint Cllr Feacey as the councillor to make company member decisions on behalf of the Council, in consultation with the Chief Executive (or if the Chief Executive is unavailable or unable to act, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services) in the circumstances set out above.

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December 2011