1. Summary

1.1 A new parking operational protocol (Appendix 1) has been agreed and passed by the Kent Chief Executives for use by Kent County Council and the 12 District Authorities from 1 April 2010.

2. FOR MEMBERS INFORMATION

   1.1 Introduction and Background

   The introduction of the Traffic Management Act 2004 and the associated Civil Parking Enforcement have required an update to the existing parking protocol which sets out a framework of common principles for parking policy and management that is not currently covered by the legal Agency Agreements that are in place between the 12 district councils and Kent County Council.

   1.2 A working party consisting of representatives from the Parking Managers group, Kent Technical Officers’ Association, Kent County Council and the district authorities was formed to write the new parking protocol.

   2.1 Consultation

   Consultation was undertaken with all interested parties including all districts and Kent County Council with a positive response and helpful feedback being received.

   2.2 The draft protocol has been reported to the Kent Leaders and Chief Executives at regular intervals, culminating in the final document being presented to Kent Chief Executives on 15 March where it was approved for adoption by all 12 district authorities and KCC on 1st April 2010.

3.0 Conclusion

The Parking Operational Protocol has been agreed and passed by the Kent Chief Executives for use by Kent County Council and the 12 District Authorities from 1 April 2010.

4. Details of Exempt Information Category

   Not applicable
5. Appendices

Appendix A - PARKING OPERATIONAL PROTOCOL

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