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Council's Representative on Business Improvement Districts - Local Authority Director

Manor Royal Business Improvement District (BID)

The original campaign to establish the Manor Royal BID was launched in 2012. In February 2013, the Cabinet agreed to support the establishment of the Manor Royal Improvement District (BID), culminating in a successful BID Ballot in April 2013, where the majority of prospective Manor Royal levy payers voted in favour of its creation.

The Manor Royal BID commenced on 1 June 2013 with the establishment of the Manor Royal BID Company (MRBD Limited), a not-for-profit BID Company, limited by guarantee. It is legally and operationally responsible to the businesses in the BID area and for all BID activities. Under the "Executive Function (The Leader and Cabinet), within the Constitution the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development is a member of the Outside Body/Company as the Council's representative.

Crawley Town Centre Business Improvement District (BID)

The original campaign to establish the Crawley Town Centre BID was launched by the Town Centre Partnership in 2019. In September 2019, the Cabinet agreed to support the establishment of the Crawley Town Centre Business Improvement District (BID), culminating in a successful BIN Ballot in November 2019. Under the "Executive Function (The Leader and Cabinet), within the Constitution the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development is a member of the Outside Body/Company as the Council's representative.

External advice was sought and obtained in 2020 confirming that there is no issue with an individual sitting on more than one BID Board. It is therefore recommended that the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development continue as the nominated representative.

Recommendation:

That the Cabinet is recommended to:

Endorse Councillor A Nawaz, the current Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development as the Council's representative to both the Town Centre BID Board via the Town Centre Partnership, and the Manor Royal Business Improvement District BID Board ("Local Authority Director").