

## LEADER AND LEAD CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DECISIONS made by the Leader and Lead Cabinet Member for Strategic Management and Economic Development, Councillor Glazier on 6 August 2014 at County Hall, Lewes

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Councillors Clark, Earl, Ensor, Hodges, Keeley, St Pierre and Simmons spoke on item 4 (see minute 18)

### 15. MINUTES

15.1 Councillor Glazier approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 25 July 2014.

### 16. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

16.1 Councillor Glazier declared a personal interest in Agenda item 4 (SeaChange Sussex Funding) as an Ambassador for Locate East Sussex, but he did not consider this to be prejudicial.

16.2 Councillor Hodges declared personal interests in Agenda item 4 (SeaChange Sussex Funding) as a member of Hastings Borough Council and as a Director of the Let's do Business Group, but he did not consider these to be prejudicial.

16.3 Councillor Simmons declared a personal interest in Agenda item 4 (SeaChange Sussex Funding) as a Director of SeaChange Sussex, but he did not consider this to be prejudicial.

### 17. REPORTS

17.1 Copies of the reports referred to below are contained in the minute book.

### 18. SEA CHANGE SUSSEX FUNDING

18.1 Councillor Glazier considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport which sought approval for the County Council to issue loan funding to SeaChange Sussex for transport infrastructure in north east Bexhill.

### DECISION

18.2 Councillor Glazier decided to (1) agree, on completion of the agreements considered necessary by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport, to issue loan funding to the value of £2.9m to SeaChange Sussex for transport infrastructure at North East Bexhill; and

(2) delegate authority to the Director of Communities, Transport and Economy to take any action he considers appropriate to give effect to or in consequence of recommendation (1) including determining the terms of and entering into any further agreements he considers necessary to be entered into with Essex County Council/SeaChange.

## Reason

18.3 SeaChange Sussex is a strategic partner to ESCC, and the Growing Places Fund projects it is delivering will contribute positively to the economic regeneration and growth of the county. The provision of loan funding in advance of expenditure by ESCC will enable SeaChange Sussex to continue to operate and trade effectively, albeit that this presents a risk to ESCC