2.3.1 Head of Housing and Community Services

- 46. All aspects of community safety and crime and disorder reduction.
- 47. The provision of a sport play and youth development service.
- 48. Ensure the Council's duties and obligations in relation to homelessness and the operation of the Council's allocation scheme are fulfilled.
- 49. Manage all forms of temporary accommodation in connection with the Council's homelessness duties including entering into lease agreements and service of any related notices.
- 50. The development of policies on social inclusion, community development and community planning.
- 51. Undertaking any special housing initiatives that might arise.
- 52. Ensuring that private sector housing standards are achieved, in particular as they relate to houses in multiple occupation and unfit dwellings.
- 53. Operation of the grants system for renovating private sector properties.
- 54. Perform the Council's duties and obligations in connection with private sector housing including enforcement measures.

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- 55. The management of Gypsy and traveller caravan sites.
- 56. The drafting and implementing of the Council's Housing Strategy, including the preparation of the Housing Investment Programme and its submission to the Secretary of State.
- 57. To liaise and negotiate with government bodies and their appointees, third parties and housing providers in order to promote the priorities identified in the Council's Housing Strategy.
- 58. Compact, relationships and funding with the voluntary and community sector.
- 59. The various halls used for recreational purposes throughout the Borough.
- 60. Advice to the Council and other organisations on all matters relating to grants and lottery applications.
- 61. The Sustainable Community Strategy and renewable energy strategy.
- 62. All licensing functions (not otherwise delegated or prohibited).
- 63. All gambling functions (not otherwise delegated or prohibited).
- 64. To ensure that sustainable development policies and good environmental working practices are widely promoted and integrated into the day to day working practices of the Council and publicised to all sectors of the wider community.
- 65. The hygiene and control of food including the provision of safe food, control of standards, meat inspection and education.
- 66. The control of infectious diseases and the general health and wellbeing of the local population.
- 67. The provision of a health promotion service, including home and water safety.
- 68. The enforcement of the Sunday Trading Act 1994.
- 69. Road closure orders.
- 70. The provision of advice and taking actions to further the aim of sustainability and tackle climate change both internally within the Council and externally throughout the Borough.
- 71. The inspection of the authority's area to detect any statutory nuisance and the investigation of any complaints as to the existence

- of a statutory nuisance.
- 72. To be responsible for the enforcement of Street Trading Legislation (including the Maidstone Borough Act 2006 and any other functions arising under the Act).
- 73. To be responsible for the Enforcement of Smoke Free Legislation.
- 74. Responsibility for pest control service, enforcement against pest concerns and the cleansing of filthy or verminous property.
- 75. To be responsible for the development and provision of animal welfare and dog control including enforcement.
- 76. Inspection of the authority's area to detect any statutory nuisance (including relating to noise in the street and waste) and the service of any abatement notice in respect of a statutory nuisance.
- 77. To be responsible for taking action to remove gypsies and travelers from Council land.
- 78. To promote Maidstone Borough Council's (MBC) commitment and intent towards its statutory and moral duties to safeguard children and adults who come into contact with its services and activities and ensure that they are protected from harm, exploitation and abuse.
- 79. Enforcement of Health and Safety at work legislation, including the appointment of Inspectors.
- 80. Deal with issues arising from contaminated land.
- 81. The discharge of any function relating to pollution control (including noise, air, land, water and private drainage) and the management of air quality.
- 82. Pollution control including noise, air, land, water and private drainage and the service of any abatement notice in respect of a statutory nuisance.
- 83. To make Public Space Protection Orders and Orders under the Antisocial Behaviour Act 2003.