

Communities, Housing and Environment Committee

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Annual Report of the Chairman of the Communities Housing and Environment Committee 2018/19

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This report makes the following recommendations to Communities, Housing and Environment Committee:

That the report be noted.

The list below is a brief summary of items our Committee has considered over the last year and I would like to thank all Members, Substitutes and Officers for their time and support. I hope the decisions we have made will have a positive impact for our residents and have gone some way towards improving the lives of all our residents across the Borough. Although money is still in tight supply, I feel we as a Committee have achieved a balanced and fair approach to some difficult decisions.

As you are aware some items continue to progress, but I am particularly pleased that there has been a significant reduction in our rough sleeper numbers. Our homeless preventions have greatly increased, and we have made positive moves into providing and building our own residential accommodation.

The work continues, and I have certainly learned a lot representing the Committee externally on the KCC Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Kent Flood Risk Group, Kent Resource Partnership and Maidstone Health and Wellbeing Board.

Outside Bodies, representations and appointments
Budget Monitoring and Key Performance Indicators
Heather House and its future
Feasibility study to address poor air quality
Pets in Temporary Accommodation
Waste and Recycling Strategy 2018-2023
Community Toilet Scheme and provision within the town
New Strategic Plan
Environmental Health Annual Report
Rough Sleeping Initiatives and Strategy
Maidstone Housing Delivery Partnership
Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy 2019-2021
Fees and Charges Update

Homelessness and Rough Sleeper Review
Access to the Councils Services for Disabled People
Safeguarding Policy Review
Waste Crime
Temporary Accommodation Homeless Reviews

Crime and Disorder Committee

Community Safety Partnership Plan Update
Public Spaces Protection Order
Community Safety Plan
Low Level Nuisance Crime
Strategic Assessment Plan

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Chairman of the Communities, Housing and Environment Committee
