

PART 2 - RESPONSIBILITY FOR COUNCIL FUNCTIONS

Committee	Membership	Functions	Delegation of functions
Appointments	Up to 6 members of the authority	The appointment of the Chief Executive and first and second tier posts and any others identified by the Employment Matters Committee.	
Appointments	Up to 8 members of the authority	The appointment of the Director of Children and Adult Services	
Audit	Up to 5 members of the authority chaired by a member free from other executive or scrutiny responsibilities	To provide independent assurance on the adequacy of the risk management framework and the associated control environment. To provide an independent review of the Council's financial and non-financial performance.	
Councillor Conduct Committee	8 members of the authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To promote and maintain high standards of conduct by Councillors, and voting and non-voting co-opted members. • To advise the Council on the adoption or revision of the Councillor Code of Conduct or on revision to the adopted arrangements for investigation or making decisions on complaints. • To monitor the operation of the Councillor Code of Conduct. 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="762 230 1166 477">• To advise, train or arrange to train Councillors and voting and non-voting co-opted members on matters relating to the Councillor Code of Conduct. <li data-bbox="762 521 1166 846">• The assessment against published criteria, investigation and hearing of allegations of Councillor misconduct and recommending any action which the Council has the power to take. <li data-bbox="762 891 1166 1104">• The exercise of all of the above in relation to the Parish Councils wholly or mainly in its area and the members of those Parish Council. <li data-bbox="762 1149 1166 1328">• The adoption of any procedures necessary in order to undertake any of the above functions. <li data-bbox="762 1373 1166 1731">• To grant dispensations to Councillors and voting and non-voting co-optees to allow participation in debate and/or voting on any item in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest or other significant interest. 	

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<p>Employment Matters</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Up to 7 members of the authority</i> <p>In relation to the consideration of allegations/issues regarding disciplinary matters relating to the Designated Statutory Officers of the Council, for consistency, unless unavoidably indisposed or conflicted, once appointed, the same Members shall comprise the committee (and any adjournment of it) over the course of the full consideration of the matter (and any related matter) that it has been convened to consider, until such time as the matter is disposed of.</p>	<p>To deal with all employment matters noting that the determination of the annual pay award is a matter for the Full Council if it exceeds the budgetary provision.</p> <p><u>To consider allegations /issues regarding disciplinary matters relating to the Head of Paid Service, the S.151 Officer and the Monitoring Officer.</u> <u>Members of the committee must have completed mandatory training in respect of the latter function.</u></p>	

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<p><u>Independent Persons Panel</u></p>	<p><u>3 Independent Persons (IPs) appointed under section 28(7) of the Localism Act 2011 plus one reserve.</u></p> <p><u>To be appointed in the following priority order:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>An IP who has been appointed by the Council and who is on electoral roll in Medway</u> • <u>Any other IP appointed by the Council</u> • <u>An IP who has been appointed by another authority</u> 	<p><u>To advise the authority on matters relating to the dismissal of the officers designated as the Head of Paid Service, the Chief Finance Officer and the Monitoring Officer).</u></p>	

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<p><u>Disciplinary Appeals Committee</u></p>	<p><u>3 Members of the Council.</u></p> <p><u>No Member who was a member of the Employment Matters Committee making the decision which is the subject of the appeal may serve as a member of the Disciplinary Appeals Committee.</u></p> <p><u>Members of the committee must have completed mandatory training.</u></p> <p><u>For consistency, unless unavoidably indisposed or conflicted, once appointed, the same Members shall comprise the committee (and any adjournment of it) over the course of the full consideration of the matter (and any related matter) that it has been convened to consider, until such time as the matter is disposed of.</u></p>	<p><u>To hear and determine appeals brought by the Head of Paid Service, the S.151 Officer and the Monitoring Officer against any decisions made by the Employment Matters Committee to take disciplinary action short of dismissal</u></p>	

Committee	Membership	Functions	Delegation of functions
Governor Ad Hoc	4 members of the authority (note: The Council usually agrees to waive the requirements of political balance on this committee insofar as the overall calculation of allocation of seats on committees is concerned – the membership of the committee is comprised of the Group Whips and the relevant Portfolio Holder)	To consider the removal of Council appointed school governors as and when necessary.	
Health and Wellbeing Board	<p>Seven Councillors to be nominated by the Leader (who should not also be members of either the Health and Adult Social Care (HASC) or Children and Young People (CYP) Overview and Scrutiny Committees*). The requirements of political balance will not apply.</p> <p>Medway Healthwatch (statutory member) – one representative (who should not also be a member of either the HASC or CYP Overview and Scrutiny Committees*)</p>	To prepare the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and to encourage an integrated approach in the planning and delivery of health and social care services as well as services related to the wider determinants of health.	

Committee	Membership	Functions	Delegation of functions
	<p>Director of Children and Adults Services (statutory member)</p> <p>Director of Public Health (statutory member)</p> <p>Deputy Director, Children and Adults Services (under the provision allowing the appointment of such other persons (or representatives of such other persons) as the local authority thinks appropriate)</p> <p>Medway Clinical Commissioning Group – three representatives (one statutory seat and two additional seats (under the provision allowing the appointment of such other persons (or representatives of such other persons) as the local authority thinks appropriate)</p>		

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	<p>NHS England (Southeast) /Kent and Medway – one representative – under the provision allowing the appointment of such other persons (or representatives or such other persons) as the local authority thinks appropriate.</p> <p>(Note* - Substitutes appointed to attend meetings of the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) may not also be members of the Health and Adult Social Care or Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committees).</p>		

Committee	Membership	Functions	Delegation of functions
Licensing and Safety	Between 10 –15 members of the authority	<p>Taxi, gaming, alcohol, entertainment, food, scrap metal and miscellaneous licensing</p> <p>Functions relating to licensing and registration as set out in Schedule 1 to the Functions Regulations, the Licensing Act 2003, Gambling Act 2005, and other licensing functions reserved by law to the Council's Licensing and Safety Committee and its Sub-Committees.</p> <p>Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013</p> <p>To act in an advisory quasi-judicial capacity to the Chief Legal Officer, when considering representations from applicants for licences under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 where the authority is minded to refuse, vary or revoke a licence;</p> <p>To consider and make recommends to Cabinet on policy relating to the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013;</p>	Chief Executive
		<p>Health and safety</p> <p>Functions under any of the “relevant statutory provisions” within the meaning of Part I (health, safety and welfare in connection with work, and control of dangerous substances) of the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974, to the extent that those functions are discharged otherwise than in the authority's capacity as an employer.</p>	Chief Executive

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		<p>Commons registration</p> <p>The registration of common land or town and village greens and to register the variation of rights of common as set out in Schedule 1 to the Functions Regulations.</p>	Chief Legal Officer
Planning	Up to 15 members of the authority	<p>Planning and conservation</p> <p>Functions relating to town and country planning and development management as specified in Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000 (the Functions Regulations).</p> <p>Highways use and regulation</p> <p>The exercise of powers relating to the regulation of the use of highways as set out in Schedule 1 to the Functions Regulations.</p>	<p>Director of Regeneration, Culture, Environment and Transformation</p> <p>Director of Regeneration, Culture, Environment and Transformation</p>
School Transport and Curriculum Appeals	Up to 7 members of the authority	Determining appeals regarding home to school transport and complaints regarding the curriculum.	
South Thames Gateway Building Control Joint Committee	4 members (one each from Medway, Canterbury Gravesham and Swale)	<p>Enforcement activity.</p> <p>Staffing matters (in accordance with Medway Council's policies and procedures).</p>	

- 1.1 The details of the onward delegation to employees are contained in part 4 of this chapter.
- 1.2 The terms of reference of the Committees established by the Council and their sub-committees are set out below:

Terms of reference for each committee

1. Appointments Committee

1.1 Up to 6 members

To appoint the Chief Executive and to appoint all first and second tier posts and any other posts identified by the Employment Matters Committee as requiring appointment by the Appointments Committee.

Note: The appointment of the Director of Public Health will comply with the Council's employment rules and also the requirements of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and statutory guidance from the Department of Health, in relation to the joint role of Public Health England on behalf of the Secretary of State and an advisory appointments committee constituted in accordance with statutory guidance.

1.2 Up to 8 members

To appoint the Director of Children and Adult Services.

2. Audit Committee

- To provide independent assurance on the adequacy of the risk management framework and the associated control environment, including consideration of the Council's approach to risk management and the assurance framework, the production of the annual governance statement, arrangements for delivering value for money and the Council's anti-fraud arrangements and anti-corruption measures;
- To receive reports in line with the Council's whistleblowing, anti-bribery, covert surveillance policies and anti-money laundering policies;
- To monitor the Council's compliance with its own published standards and to consider any proposals for changes to Financial Rules and Contract Rules;
- To monitor financial policies and processes, including endorsement of improvement plans to strengthen the control environment;
- To approve the annual governance statement;
- To approve the annual accounts;
- To scrutinise the Council's treasury management, investment strategy, minimum revenue provision policy statement along with treasury management practices and associated schedules and approve the annual treasury outturn;
- To discuss with the external auditor new accounting standards, changes to the reporting framework and the basis of the annual audit, including the content of performance work;

- To receive all reports by the external auditor including all performance reports and the annual audit letter;
- To oversee Internal Audit activity;
- To monitor the effectiveness of internal audit.
- To provide an independent review of the Council's financial and non-financial performance.

3. Councillor Conduct Committee

- To promote and maintain high standards of conduct by Councillors and voting and non-voting co-opted members.
- To advise the Council on the adoption or revision of the Councillor Code of Conduct or on revision to the adopted arrangements for investigation or making decisions on complaints.
- To monitor the operation of the Councillor Code of Conduct.
- To advise, train or arrange to train Councillors and voting and non-voting co-opted members on matters relating to the Councillor Code of Conduct.
- The assessment against published criteria, investigation and hearing of allegations of Councillor misconduct and recommending any action which the Council has the power to take.
- The exercise of all of the above in relation to the parish Councils wholly or mainly in its area and the members of those parish Councils.
- The adoption of any procedures necessary in order to undertake any of the above functions.
- To grant dispensations to Councillors and voting and non-voting co-optees to allow participation in debate and/or voting on any item in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest or other significant interest.

4. Employment Matters Committee

- To consider and determine, where appropriate, matters concerning the employment of staff and their terms and conditions of employment or secondment and to determine the terms of the annual pay award provided it is within the approved budget;
- To advise on and determine policies concerning any staffing matter including equal opportunities and the allocation and utilisation of human resources within the authority;
- To advise on and determine arrangements for consulting and communicating with staff and trades unions;

- To hear and determine dismissal appeals relating to conduct, performance capability, some other substantial reason and ill-health capability;
- To grant exemptions for politically restricted posts.
- In relation to the Head of Paid Service, the S.151 Officer and the Monitoring Officer – the Designated Statutory Officers (the DSOs),
 - To consider allegations/issues regarding disciplinary matters relating to the Designated Statutory Officers of the Council and to authorise initial investigation.
 - To appoint an Independent Investigator (“II”) to investigate allegations of misconduct against any DSO and to commission reports from an II.
 - To determine appropriate action upon receipt of any preliminary investigation.
 - To decide whether to suspend a DSO and to review decisions taken to suspend a statutory officer.
 - To determine what action should be taken against a DSO following an investigation. This could include the following:
 - Take no further action.
 - Recommend informal resolution or other appropriate procedures.
 - Refer back to the Independent Investigator for further investigation and report.
 - Take disciplinary action against the DSO short of dismissal.
 - Propose dismissal of the DSO to the Council.
- To refer any recommendation that a DSO should be dismissed to the Independent Persons Panel prior to being referred to Council for a determination in accordance with the Employment Rules.

5. Employment Matters Appeals Panel

- To hear and determine final appeals by employees on behalf of the Council relating to their conditions of service, discipline, performance or termination of employment. (Noting that appeals against disciplinary action short of dismissal affecting the Head of the Paid Service, the S.151 Officer and the Monitoring Officer will be dealt with by the Disciplinary Appeals Committee.)

Independent Persons Panel

- To advise the Council on matters relating to the dismissal of the Head of the Paid Service, the S.151 Officer or the Monitoring Officer in accordance with the Employment Rules where the Employment Matters Committee propose to recommend the dismissal of one of the post holders.

The Panel is an advisory committee appointed by the authority under section 102(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 for the purposes of

advising the authority on matters relating to the dismissal of the officers designated as the Head of Paid Service, the Chief Finance Officer and the Monitoring Officer (together the “Designated Statutory Officers” or “DSOs”) in accordance with Schedule 3 to The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) Regulations 2001.

The Panel must be convened having invited at least two of the Independent Persons appointed under section 28(7) of the Localism Act 2011 (to advise on Member conduct allegations) by the Council or, where there are fewer than two such persons, such independent persons as have been appointed by another authority or authorities as the Council considers appropriate.

The Head of Democratic Services will invite the Council’s current Independent Persons (being those persons appointed to advise on Member conduct complaints under the Localism Act 2011) and if necessary one or more of the Independent Persons of neighbouring authorities (following consultation with the Monitoring Officers of those authorities), to be considered for appointment to the Independent Persons Panel.

The Panel will be appointed by the Head of Democratic Services from those Independent Persons who have accepted an invitation to be considered for appointment, in accordance with the following priority order:

- an Independent Person who has been appointed by the authority and who is a local government elector in the Council’s area.
- any other Independent Person who has been appointed by the authority.
- an Independent Person who has been appointed by another authority or authorities.

The Panel must be appointed at least 20 working days before any meeting of the authority to consider whether or not to approve a proposal to dismiss a DSO.

One or more reserve members will be appointed to the Panel from Independent Persons who have been appointed under section 28(7) of the Localism Act 2011 by the authority or by another authority or authorities. If more than one reserve member is available for the meeting then selection will be by the alphabetical order of their surnames so long as it does not conflict with the priority order set out above.

The appointment of a Panel Member to preside at the meeting will be the first item of business at each Independent Persons Panel meeting. Where there are equal votes cast at a meeting on any matter the Chairman may exercise a second or casting vote.

The quorum for a meeting shall be two members of the Panel.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Panel may commission and have access to external legal and professional advice.

Disciplinary Appeals Committee

To hear and determine appeals brought by the Head of Paid Service, the S.151 Officer and the Monitoring Officer (the Designated Statutory Officers (DSOs)) against any decisions made by the Employment Matters Committee to take disciplinary action short of dismissal.

Procedure for the Disciplinary Appeals Committee

The DSO shall have the right to attend and be accompanied at the Committee Meeting which considers the appeal.

The Committee shall consider the appeal in accordance with the Council's normal procedure for dealing with appeals.

Access to Advice and Representation

For the avoidance of doubt, the Committee may commission and have access to external legal and professional advice.

For the avoidance of doubt, if a DSO chooses to retain professional advice and/or representation at or in respect of any meeting of or hearing before the Committee, then the DSO in question shall be responsible for the cost of that advice or representation.

6. Governor Ad Hoc Committee

- To consider the removal of Council appointed school governors as and when necessary.

7. Health and Wellbeing Board

A. Operating principles

In line with nationally agreed operating principles the Medway Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) will seek to:

- (i) provide collective leadership to improve health and well-being across the local authority area, enable shared decision-making and ownership of decisions in an open and transparent way;
- (ii) achieve democratic legitimacy and accountability, and empower local people to take part in decision-making;
- (iii) address health inequalities by ensuring quality, consistency and comprehensive health and local government services are commissioned and delivered in the area; and
- (iv) identify key priorities for health and local government commissioning and develop clear plans for how commissioners can make best use of their

combined resources to improve local health and well-being outcomes in the short, medium and long term.

B. Key functions

- (i) To prepare the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) which identifies the current and future health and wellbeing needs of the local population and may address needs around wider determinants of health.
- (ii) To prepare a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Medway to meet the needs identified in the JSNA.
- (iii) To prepare the Medway Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment.
- (iv) To encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in the area to work in an integrated manner for the purpose of advancing the health and wellbeing of the people in Medway.
- (v) To encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health related services (ie services that may have an effect on the health of individuals but are not health or social care services) in Medway to work closely with the Board.
- (vi) To encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in Medway and those who arrange for the provision of any health-related services in its area to work closely together.
- (vii) To provide advice, assistance or other support appropriate for the purpose of encouraging the making of arrangements under section 75 of the National Health Service Act 2006 (ie arrangements under which NHS bodies and local authorities agree to exercise specified functions of each other).
- (viii) To keep NHS commissioning plans under review to ensure they are taking into account the JSNA and local HWB Strategy, referring back to the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) or the NHS Commissioning Board where they do not.
- (ix) To advise Medway Council's Cabinet of its views on whether the local authority is discharging its duty to have regard to the JSNA and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy in discharging its relevant functions.
- (x) To involve users and the public in the work of the Board, as appropriate.
- (xi) To play a formal role in the annual assessment of the Medway Clinical Commissioning Group.
- (xii) To undertake any other functions assigned to Health and Wellbeing Boards in legislation.

Governance arrangements for the operation of the Medway Health and Wellbeing Board were agreed by Council on 25 April 2013.

- (i) **Appointment of Chairman and Vice Chairman:** The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board will be appointed at the first meeting of the Board after each Annual Council meeting, discounting the Joint Meeting of all Committees on the evening of Annual Council. The Chairman will be appointed from among the councillors serving on the Board.
- (ii) **Meetings:** The Board will meet a minimum of four times a year and be administratively supported by Medway Council's Democratic Services Team. Meetings will take place in public with provision for exclusion of the press and public where confidential or exempt information is likely to be disclosed.
- (iii) **Sub-committees:** The Board may set up advisory sub-committees but any proposal to delegate the functions of the Board to a sub-committee or an officer (or from a sub-committee to an officer) insofar as this is permitted, shall be subject to agreement by the Council.
- (iv) **Attendance:** The quorum for Board meetings will be a quarter of the membership and meetings may only proceed if at least one local authority member and one CCG representative are present. Substitutions are permitted with notification to the Democratic Services Officer ahead of the meeting.
- (v) **Conduct of meetings:** Meetings will be conducted in accordance with the procedural rules applicable to Council meetings as appropriate.
- (vi) **Voting:** All members of the Board will have the right to vote, subject to the law and procedures for registering and declaring interests which will require non-participation and withdrawal from meetings when conflicts of interest arise.
- (vii) **Programming of business:** the Board will determine its own work programme and pre-agenda processes taking into account statutory requirements relating to notice of meetings and publication and availability of agenda papers and will use the templates and standards in place for reports to other Council committees.
- (viii) **Communications and engagement:** the Board will develop a Communications and Engagement Strategy which will set out how the Board will engage with stakeholders and the public and how communications on behalf of the Board will be managed.
- (ix) **Operational links:** the Board will work collaboratively with other partnership bodies including the Children's Trust, the Medway Safeguarding Children Board, the Adult Safeguarding Board and the Community Safety Partnership, taking into account the need for alignment between the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and other key plans and strategies.
- (x) **Overview and scrutiny:** the Board will be subject to overview and scrutiny and will respond to requests for information and representation at overview and scrutiny committees as appropriate.

- (xi) **Review:** the terms of reference of the HWB and the governance arrangements will be kept under periodic review.

(A) Kent and Medway Joint Health and Wellbeing Board (Advisory Sub Committee of the Health and Wellbeing Boards of Medway Council and Kent County Council)

Operating Principles

- (a) The Kent and Medway Joint Health and Wellbeing Board is an advisory sub-committee which operates to encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in the area to work in an integrated manner and for the purpose of advising on the development of the Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) Plans for Kent and Medway.
- (b) It will seek to:
 - i. Ensure collective leadership to improve health and well-being outcomes across both local authority areas, to enable shared discussion and consensus about the STP across the Kent and Medway footprint in an open and transparent way;
 - ii. Help to ensure the STP has democratic legitimacy and accountability, to seek assurance that health care services paid for by public monies are provided in a cost-effective manner.
 - iii. Consider the work of the STP and encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in the area to work in an integrated manner
 - iv. Take account of and advise on the wider statutory duties of Health and Social Care Partners.

Key Functions

- (a) To consider and influence the work of the STP focussing on prevention, Local Care and wellbeing across Kent and Medway.
- (b) To consider and shape the development of Local Care within the STP which will impact on adult social care delivery in both authorities, advising the Kent and Medway Health and Wellbeing Boards accordingly.
- (c) To give advice to the STP in developing clear plans and business cases to assist commissioners in making best use of their combined resources to improve local health and well-being outcomes, particularly relating to the Local Care and Prevention work streams, making recommendations to the Kent and Medway Health and Wellbeing Boards on support that could be provided.
- (d) To keep NHS commissioning plans under review, insofar as they relate to STP Plans to ensure they are taking into account the Kent and Medway JSNAs and local HWB Strategies, referring back to the STP Programme

Board and respective Kent and Medway Health and Wellbeing Boards where they do not.

- (e) To champion integration in local care delivery, including working with the STP to establish a Kent and Medway Local Care Board
- (f) To support the development of the Clinical Strategy
- (g) To ensure alignment of the Kent and Medway JSNAs with population health needs to inform the STP Case for Change and the associated Clinical Strategy
- (h) To consider and advise on the development of the STP Preventative work-stream given it is heavily focussed on Public Health functions within both upper-tier authorities
- (i) To consider and advise on the development of options for the local authorities' role in a Strategic Commissioner arrangement with Health – the engagement in which remains a matter for each of the local authorities.
- (j) To consider options for the Local Authority role in the development of Integrated Care Systems (previously known as Accountable Care Partnerships), the engagement in which remains a matter for each of the local authorities.

8. Licensing and Safety Committee

- Functions relating to licensing and registration as set out in schedule 1 to the Functions Regulations, the Licensing Act 2003, Gambling Act 2005, Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended by Section 27 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009 and other licensing functions reserved by law to the Council's Licensing and Safety Committee and its Sub-Committees;
- To act in a quasi-judicial capacity to consider appeals that may require determination upon receipt of representation from an aggrieved party where a licence has either been refused, amended or revoked by officers and make decisions related thereto;
- To act in a quasi-judicial capacity to determine application of licences where there is substantial objection by other parties to the grant of a licence or where in the officer's opinion the issue is of a sensitive nature and make decisions related thereto;
- To act in an advisory capacity to the Chief Legal Officer, when considering representations from applicants for licences under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 where the authority is minded to refuse, vary or revoke a licence;
- To consider objectively other ad hoc matters relating to the licensing process which officers or the Council deems appropriate;

- To recommend to Council to determine a policy not to permit casinos, in accordance with section 166 of the Gambling Act 2005;
- To recommend to Council final approval of the Statement of Gambling Act Policy;
- To recommend to Council approval of the Statement of Licensing Policy;
- To consider and make recommends to Cabinet on policy relating to the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013;
- To recommend to Council approval of the Statement of Policy in respect of Sex Establishments and Sexual Entertainment Venues;
- Functions under any of the “relevant statutory provisions” within the meaning of Part I (health, safety and welfare in connection with work, and control of dangerous substances) of the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974, to the extent that those functions are discharged otherwise than in the authority's capacity as an employer.

Note: For the purpose of these terms of reference the term “licence” or “licensing” includes any such controlling measure such as permit, certificate or registration.

(A) Licensing Sub-Committee

- To determine hackney carriage private hire and other licensing and registration issues not covered by the Licensing Act 2003 nor the Gambling Act 2005.
- To act in an advisory quasi-judicial capacity to the Chief Legal Officer, when considering representations from applicants for licences under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 where the authority is minded to refuse, vary or revoke a licence.
- To determine applications for the registration of land as a town or village green, where representations have been received and not withdrawn.

(B) Licensing Hearing Panel

- To consider all Licensing Act 2003 matters;
- With regard to Licensing Act 2003 matters, to determine:
 - (i) an application for a personal licence if there is a police objection
 - (ii) an application for a personal licence with relevant unspent convictions
 - (iii) an application for a premises licence/club premises certificate, if relevant representation made
 - (iv) an application to vary a Designated Premises Supervisor, if there is a police objection

- (v) an application for provisional statement, if a relevant representation made
- (vi) an application to vary premises licence/club premises certificate, if a relevant representation made
- (vii) an application for a minor variation to a premises licence or club premises licence, if a relevant representation is made
- (viii) an application for transfer of premises licence, if there is a police objection
- (ix) applications for interim authorities, if there are police objections
- (x) an application to review premises licence/club premises certificate
- (xi) a decision to object when the local authority is a consultee and not the relevant authority considering the application
- (xii) a police objection to a temporary event notice.
- (xiii) whether to suspend, for a period of up to six months, or revoke a personal licence where a Personal Licence Holder has been convicted of a relevant offence or foreign offence, or has been required to pay an immigration penalty, on or after 6 April 2017.

Note: A relevant representation is one which relates to the likely effect of the grant of the licence on the promotion of at least one of the four licensing objectives specified in the Licensing Act 2003.

- With regard to Gambling Act 2005 matters, to determine:
 - (i) applications for premises licences where representations have been received and not withdrawn
 - (ii) applications for a variation to a licence where representations have been received and not withdrawn
 - (iii) applications for a transfer of licence where representations have been received by the Commission
 - (iv) applications for a provisional statement where representations have been received and not withdrawn
 - (v) a review of a premises licence
 - (vi) applications for club gaming/club machine permits where objections have been made and not withdrawn
 - (vii) a cancellation of club gambling/club machine permits
 - (viii) a decision to give a counter notice to a temporary use notice.

(C) 1982 Act Hearing Panel

- To determine any applications under Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 where relevant representations have been received or where conditions have been proposed by officers but not accepted by the applicant.

9. Planning Committee

- To determine all planning applications submitted pursuant to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), the Planning Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990 and the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990, including those applications falling for decision under officer delegated powers which a Council member has requested to be referred for Committee determination, except that all applications recommended for approval in respect of development which is in fundamental conflict with the Development Plan or any approved proposals for amendment thereof shall be reserved for determination by the Council;
- To consider written objections received to Tree Preservation Orders made under Section 198 or 201 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and notifications under Section 211 of that Act;
- To determine all applications for approvals required by a Development Order or by conditions imposed on the grant of a planning permission;
- To authorise the issue of Building Preservation Notices pursuant to Section 3 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 except that cases where the Director of Regeneration, Culture, Environment and Transformation and Chief Legal Officer, consider that compensation may be payable shall be referred to the Council;
- To exercise powers under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 in relation to the service of Enforcement Notices and Stop Notices under Parts VII and VIII, Planning Contravention Notices under Section 171(c) an Breach of Condition Notices under Section 187(a) and to take all necessary further steps up to and including prosecution except that cases where the Director of Regeneration, Culture, Environment and Transformation and Chief Legal Officer, consider that compensation may be payable shall be referred to the Council;
- To exercise powers in relation to the service of Listed Building Enforcement Notices under the provisions of the Planning (Listed Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and to take all necessary further steps up to and including prosecution;
- To recommend to the Council the making of Orders for the modification or revocation of planning permission;
- To issue Completion Notices under Section 94 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990;
- To submit views on behalf of the Planning Authority in relation to the consultations under the Pastoral Measures 1968;

- To lodge objections in connection with Goods Vehicle Operators' Licences;
- To consider and approve/acknowledge planning obligations offered by developers under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by Section 12 of the Planning and Compensation Act 1991);
- To consider and determine development management issues in respect of the Channel Tunnel Rail Link/M2 Widening.

10. School Transport and Curriculum Appeals Committee

- To determine appeals relating to the application of the Council's policy for assisting with transport for pupils and students at schools and colleges;
- To consider complaints regarding school curriculum and related matters.

11. South Thames Gateway Building Control Joint Committee

- To exercise the powers and assume the responsibilities of the partner authorities in relation to building control under the Building Act 1984 and other related legislation;
- To implement the first Business Plan of the Joint Committee;
- To develop an annual Business Plan for approval by each partner authority and adoption and implementation by the Joint Committee;
- To make recommendations to each partner authority to provide resources as required to secure the delivery of the Business Plan and to support the aims and objectives;
- To prepare and submit as required all reports, business cases and supplementary information as may be required by central government and or any agency or organisation on behalf of central government in relation to the delivery of the Business Plan and/or to obtain additional funding to support the aims and objectives;
- To enter into dialogue with central government and/or any agency or organisation on behalf of central government to secure the delivery of the Business Plan and/or to obtain additional funding to support the aims and objectives;
- To consult with appropriate persons and to commission research and public opinion surveys into matters relevant to the aims and objectives and the Business Plan;

- To influence, advise and lobby central government and other agencies (whether locally, nationally and internationally) where this is felt to be consistent with the aims and objectives and the Business Plan.