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28 October 2025

To: MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY

SELECT COMMITTEE

(Copies to all Members of the Council)

Dear Sir/Madam

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Communities and Environment Scrutiny Select Committee to be held in the Council Chamber, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill on Wednesday, 5th November, 2025 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Members of the Committee are required to attend in person. Other Members may attend in person or participate online via MS Teams.

Information on how to observe the meeting will be published on the Council's website.

Yours faithfully

DAMIAN ROBERTS

Chief Executive

AGENDA

1. Guidance for the Conduct of Meetings

PART 1 - PUBLIC

- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Notification of Substitute Members

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4. Declarations of interest

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Members are reminded of their obligation under the Council's Code of Conduct to disclose any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests in any matter(s) to be considered or being considered at the meeting. These are explained in the Code of Conduct on the Council's website at Code of conduct for members — Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council (tmbc.gov.uk).

Members in any doubt about such declarations are advised to contact Legal or Democratic Services in advance of the meeting.

5. Minutes 13 - 16

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Communities and Environment Scrutiny Select Committee held on 18 September 2025

6. Outside Body Update - Snodland Partnership

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A promotional leaflet is attached outlining the recent activities of the Snodland Partnership.

Matters for Recommendation to the Cabinet

7. Review of Fees and Charges 2025/26 - Waste, Leisure and 19 - 32 Environmental Health

This report sets out the proposed fees and charges for the provision of services in respect of garden waste subscriptions, household bulky refuse & fridge/freezer collections, "missed" refuse collections, stray dog redemption fees, Tonbridge Allotments, Tonbridge Cemetery, pest control, food certificates, contaminated land monitoring and private water supplies from 1 April 2026. It also includes a proposal for introducing charges for recycling & refuse containers at new developments.

8. Air Quality Monitoring Updates and Air Quality Management 33 - 48
Areas - Recommendations

The report provides an update in respect of Air Quality and, following submission to DEFRA of the Annual Status Report 2025, makes recommendations in respect of Air Quality Management Areas and continuing monitoring of air quality in the Borough.

9. Anti-Social Behaviour Enforcement Team - Update of work and 49 - 52 request for funding

The report provides an update on the activity of the Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Enforcement Team and requests funding for a further two-year period.

 Waste Minimisation and Waste Management at Events on Council Owned Land 53 - 58

This report seeks endorsement of a proposed new guidance note (Annex 1) for event organisers regarding their waste management responsibilities and provides background information regarding work with contractors to minimise waste and remove single use plastics.

Matters submitted for Information

11. Annual Portfolio Review- Climate Change

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To provide an overview of climate change-related activity over the current year.

12. Annual Portfolio Update - Community Services

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This report provides Members with an overview of the Cabinet Member update on Community Services.

13. Work Programme 2025

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The Work Programme setting out matters to be scrutinised during 2025 is attached for information. Members can suggest future items by liaising with the Chair of the Committee.

14. Urgent Items

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Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent due to special circumstances and of which notice has been given to the Chief Executive

Matters for consideration in Private

15. Exclusion of Press and Public

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The Chairman to move that the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting during consideration of any items the publication of which would disclose exempt information.

PART 2 - PRIVATE

16. Urgent Items

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Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent due to special circumstances and of which notice has been given to the Chief Executive.

MEMBERSHIP

Cllr S A Hudson (Chair) Cllr K S Tunstall (Vice-Chair)

Cllr A G Bennison
Cllr S Crisp
Cllr W E Palmer
Cllr R W Dalton
Cllr Mrs T Dean
Cllr F A Hoskins
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Cllr A McDermott
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