

## Appendix 1.

### Community Protection Team Range or Responsibilities

- Anti-social behaviour
- Noise nuisance
- Pollution & verminous properties
- Drains
- Public Space Protection Order
- Issuing Fixed Penalty Notices
- Organised crime groups
- Gangs & exploitation
- Supporting the Safer Maidstone Partnership
- Animal welfare licensing
- Safety Advisory Group
- Gypsy/holiday home site licensing
- Unauthorised encampments on MBC land

In addition to this reactive work the team also undertakes a significant amount of proactive and preventative work to safeguard the most vulnerable within the borough. This includes, in the last 12 months:

- Implementation and management of the new Public Realm CCTV system
- Improved management of our Mobile CCTV assets and their deployment with Kent Police CSU
- Administration of the Weekly Community Safety Vulnerabilities Group
- Chairing the Maidstone Domestic Abuse Forum and supporting the provision of support services, including the One Stop Shops
- Co-chairing the District Contextual Safeguarding Meeting
- Participating in the Local Children's Partnership Group for Maidstone
- Administration of the Police Crime Commissioner's annual Community Safety fund, making c£15k of funding available to support local projects, including Maidstone Street Pastors and awareness programs for kids around gangs, violence and personal resilience
- Engagement with the Serious Organised Crime Panel to successfully disrupt 3 recognised Organised Crime Groups and to target County Line activity
- Obtained funding from the Kent Violence Reduction Unit for funding projects and initiatives including:
  - Emergency Trauma Packs for key locations around the town
  - A new knife bar and two knife wands
  - 2 new rapid deployment cameras
  - Youth Safety Survey (postponed till October 2020)

- Supported the Outreach Team in dealing with entrenched street population, including the removal of a homeless camp underneath Sainsbury's in the Town Centre.
- Hosting a partnership "sites of interest" meeting for complex sites with criminal, planning and environmental concerns
- Introduced a more efficient Safety Advisory Group process to allow event organisers to seek advice on how to run their events safely and reducing the need for meetings
- introduced new animal welfare legislation in relation to animal activities, including new processes for home boarding, assessing them against new criteria and awarding star ratings as follows
- Played pivotal role in the post lockdown "Town Centre re-opening" task force for both day time and night time economies
- Reviewed both the Town Centre and Dog Control PSPOs