

Appendix 1 – Proposed measures put forward for consultation only.

- 1. Allowing a dog to foul without picking it up (Existing Measure).**
 - Increase the FPN for dog fouling to £100
 - Make it an offence to fail to provide, when asked by an authorised officer, a name and address in relation to a fouling incident

- 2. Allowing dogs in designated play areas (i.e. dogs are not allowed in specified areas where slides, swings and/or other climbing/play equipment is located including Council owned tennis courts). (Extension of existing measure)**
 - Expansion on the existing dog control order to include exclusion of dogs from all children's play areas, not just fenced play areas.
 - Increase the Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) for this offence to £100, in line with other offences
 - Make it an offence to fail to provide, when asked by an authorised officer, a name and address in relation to an incident of not keeping a dog out of an excluded area

- 3. Allowing dogs to enter Vinter's Park Crematorium and grounds without having received permission from the Bereavement Services Manager (Existing Measure).**
 - Prohibit dogs from entering Maidstone Crematorium and grounds unless prior agreement has been sought from the Bereavement Services Manager in special circumstances.
 - Introduce a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) for this offence to £100, in line with other offences.
 - Make it an offence to fail to provide, when asked by an authorised officer, a name and address in relation to an incident of not keeping a dog out of an excluded area.

- 4. Failing to put a dog on a lead when asked to do so by an authorised officer (New measure)**
 - Make it a legal requirement for a person in charge of a dog to comply with a request from an authorised officer to put a dog on a lead.
 - Introduce a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) for this offence to £100, in line with other offences.
 - Make it an offence to fail to provide, when asked by an authorised officer, a name and address in relation to failing to comply with putting a dog on a lead upon request.

- 5. Failing to keep dog(s) on a lead within the grounds of Sutton Road Cemetery. (New measure)**
 - Make it an requirement that dogs are kept on leads whilst in the grounds of Maidstone Cemetery
 - Introduce a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) for this offence of £100, in line with other offences
 - Make it an offence to fail to provide, when asked by an authorised officer, a name and address in relation to an incident of not keeping a dog on lead in Maidstone Cemetery

- 6. Allowing a dog to stray (i.e. it will be an offence to allow a dog to wander/roam loose/exercise without a responsible dog owner present). (New measure)**
- Replace the current "collection fee" with a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) for this offence of £100 (£80 if paid within 14 days)
 - Make it an offence to fail to provide, when asked by an authorised officer, a name and address in relation to allowing a dog to stray in the Borough of Maidstone.