MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSES GROUP

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 JANUARY 2013

Present: Councillor Mrs Hinder (Chairman), and
Councillors Black, Chittenden, McKay, D Mortimer and
Mrs Stockell

51.   APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

52.   NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

There were no Substitute Members.

53.   NOTIFICATION OF VISITING MEMBERS

There were no Visiting Members.

54.   DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

There were no disclosures by Members or Officers.

55.   DISCLOSURES OF LOBBYING

There were no disclosures of lobbying.

56.   EXEMPT ITEMS

RESOLVED: That the Items on the Agenda be taken in public as proposed.

57.   MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 19 December 2012
be approved as a correct record and signed.

58.   CALCULATION OF BUSINESS RATE YIELD 2013 14 NNDR1

The Group considered the report of the Head of Finance and Customer
Services regarding the expected yield from business rates in 2013/14.

The Head of Finance and Customer Services informed the Group that the
Department for Communities and Local Government ("DCLG"), following
publication of the Agenda for this meeting, sent through amendments to
the calculations which resulted in amendments to Appendix A. A revised
Appendix A was circulated at the meeting.

The Head of Finance and Customer Services responded to Members' queries regarding, inter alia, the provision for appeals, risk management and the legal obligations of the Council.

RESOLVED:

1.   That the calculations made for cells 21, 33 and 35 of the return to reflect the expected position for 31 March 2014 and the resulting yield, as set out on the Amended Appendix A to the report of the Head of Finance and Customer Services, be noted.

2.   That the NNDR1 return, as set out in the Amended Appendix A to the report of the Head of Finance and Customer Services, be approved for submission to the Department for Communities and Local Government.

59.   DURATION OF MEETING

10.00 a.m. to 10.42 a.m.