



Portfolio Holder

Briefing Note: October 2025

Purpose

To update the portfolio holder for Transport, Licencing and Environmental Services on the operational activities for i) Public Protection, ii) Port Health iii) Private Sector Housing iv) Environmental Protection and Environmental Crime for Quarter 2 (July – September 2025). Future briefings will be provided monthly.

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4. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND CRIME

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- **Deal Castle Bathing Water Group:** A high reading (July 2025) has been discounted by the National Bathing Water Panel (due to exceptional rainfall). With the bathing season now concluded and the high reading discounted, the remaining samples fall within the “good” or “excellent” range. The Environment Agency’s formal classification is expected in November.

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Portfolio Holder & Shadow

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4.3 Partnership Working

- **Deal Castle Bathing Water Group:** Meeting held on 21 October 2025. Environment Agency advised that the updated bathing water classification is expected next month; currently under embargo and cannot be shared until officially announced (at which point it will take immediate effect). DDC requested further modelling to assess Sandwich outfalls' impact on elevated readings (7 July 2025). Southern Water is finalising procurement for additional compactor bins at Deal seafront.

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4.3 Partnership Working

- **Deal Castle Bathing Water Group:** Meeting held on 18th November 2025. The EA announced on 25th of November that Deal Castle bathing water classification had moved from “Poor” to “Good” with immediate effect. This removes the advice not to swim order.

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Portfolio and Shadow Holder

Briefing Note: January 2026

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To update the portfolio and shadow holder for Transport, Licencing and Environmental Services on the operational activities for i) Public Protection, ii) Port Health iii) Private Sector Housing iv) Environmental Protection and Environmental Crime for **December 2025**.

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4.3 Partnership Working

- **Deal Castle Bathing Water Group:** Boxing Day Dip event application withdrawn by organisers; event did not proceed. Deal Town Council wrote to Leader of DDC, highlighting work under their Ocean & Coastal Recovery Strategy, noting their purchase of additional bathing water signage and requested more prominent signage at Deal Pier. Response sent to Deal Town Council commending proactive strategy work, supporting the Town Council’s signage efforts and confirming signage location review at next DEFRA funding round.
- **Bathing Water Technical Group Meeting (16 Dec 2025).** Minutes pending. Environment Agency raised concern to Southern Water over *E. coli* levels at one of the Deal outfalls; maintenance to be conducted before May 2025 bathing season.

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Portfolio and Shadow Holder

Briefing Note: February 2026

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To update the portfolio and shadow holder for Transport, Licencing and Environmental Services on the operational activities for i) Public Protection, ii) Port Health iii) Private Sector Housing iv) Environmental Protection and Environmental Crime for **January 2026**.

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4.3 Partnership Working

- **Bathing Water Technical Group Meeting (20/01/2026).** Environment Agency sampling continues at termination points of the three outfalls in Walmer, forming part of ongoing investigations. Recent results showed improvements at i) North Barrack and ii) Canada Road.

Yellow Fish campaign agreed by Deal Town Council aimed to be rolled out by Southern Water in March / April 2026.

Southern Water sewer rehabilitation continues (locations can be provided if required).

Site visit between officers of Southern Water and DDCs Waste Services Team due to take place 05/02/2026 to confirm location of compactor litter bins funded by Southern Water at Deal promenade.

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Portfolio and Shadow Holder

Briefing Note: March 2026

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To update the portfolio and shadow holder for Transport, Licencing and Environmental Services on the operational activities for i) Public Protection, ii) Port Health iii) Private Sector Housing iv) Environmental Protection and Environmental Crime for **February 2026**.

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4.3 Partnership Working

- **Bathing Water Technical Group Meeting (17 February 2026).** Environment Agency sampling continues regarding North Barrack Road and Canada Road outfalls, recent results were:
 - Storm tank located on close to Woodstock Road- Manhole 3751- E Coli 41,300
 - Surface water sewers on St Leonards and London Road area manhole 8050 (22,800 E. coli)

- Yellow Fish campaign agreed by Deal Town Council aimed to be rolled out by Southern Water in March / April 2026.
- Southern Water foul sewer rehabilitation progress update:
 - Cheriton Road – Complete
 - Park Street – Complete
 - Liverpool Road Complete
 - Broad St Deal – Complete
 - Queen Street Deal – Complete
 - Promenade CT14 6DN – Due to be completed
 - King Street, CT14 6HU– Due to be completed
 - The Beach CT14 7HE– Due to be completed
 - North Street, CT14 6NA– Due to be completed

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