Asset Management’s objectives from the Kent and Medway Housing Strategy [Kent & Medway Housing Strategy 2020-2025 'A Place People want to call Home' - Kent Housing Group](https://www.kenthousinggroup.org.uk/protocols/kent-medway-housing-strategy-2020-2025-a-place-people-want-to-call-home/)

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| ref | Feb 2023 | General Contribution | Action this year |
| **Theme Health and wellbeing** | | | |
| HW5 | Promote and support the objectives of the Kent Fuel Poverty Strategy and the Kent Environment Strategy | For social housing | We had a presentation from Clarion on the Retro Fit of properties in Tonbridge. This focussed on how delivery took place and the use of the SHDF. We discussed procurement routes and opportunities. |
| HW9 | Ensure housing is resilient to the future changes in climate to give the best possible health outcomes and prevent overheating | For social housing | Bethany Pepper, from KCC, explained there is a new [Strategic Domestic Retrofit sub group](https://www.kenthousinggroup.org.uk/subgroups/strategic-domestic-retrofit-group/) for KHG that focuses on retrofit on privately owners and owner occupiers and recognised some topics relevant for both the asset management group and SDR group. This new group reports to K&M Environment Group as well as KHG Board. The group will look at data modelling, building the installer market, and providing trusted advice and support. It will look at how MEES is being enforced in the private rented sector. A paper will be taken to the K&M Environment Group with an ask for resource to make the work happen.  Matthew Williams will be taking a lead on the new Group. |
| **Theme Working together for safer homes** | | | |
| SH1 | Anticipate, influence and shape implementation of new legislation and regulatory regime to improve the quality and safety of homes across the public and private sectors | For social housing |  |
| SH2 | Develop an even closer relationship with Kent Fire & Rescue around prioritising fire safety in all tenures, housing new and old, planning and infrastructure, prioritising any emerging legislation and regulation as a result of Grenfell | For social housing | Discussed the approach organisations are taking in line with the new safety act. |
| SH3 | Share and learn from best practice locally, regionally and nationally to implement positive change to how homes are maintained | For social housing | We have had round table discussions on Damp and Mould, sharing best practice and new policies and procedures that are being introduced. We also shared our responses to the regulator on how we are dealing with Damp and Mould. |
| SH4 | Strengthen the partnership working to include how Kent Housing Group respond collectively to local or national consultations that will impact upon the safety and well-being of Kent and Medway residents |  | The majority of the March meeting was a roundtable on disrepair with a focus on Damp, Mould and Condensation. Best practice was widely shared amongst the group on how this was being tackled. We also discussed how works are being completed even if protocol is enacted. We are preparing a workshop on Damp and Mould to be delivered in September. |
| SH5 | Explore and learn about how new technology or approach can positively impact upon the delivery of new homes and enhance the condition of existing stock | For social housing |  |
| **Infrastructure First – not for this group** | | | |
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| **Accelerating housing deliver –** | | | |
| **HD6** | Explore, learn and share knowledge and experience of Modern Methods of Construction and to realise ambition regarding opportunities for off-site construction within Kent and Medway | For social housing | **Not started** |
| **Affordability – not for this group** | | | |
| **Other important matters since last update including any cross sub-group working;** | | | |