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Vision for Medway 2035
Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives
Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options
Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
4

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Rural focus and sustainable development. Don’t want the area to be/feel more built up. Prefer existing land to be redeveloped so it looks tidy, alive, enjoyed and plenty of open/green space and trees.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
In addition I would like the Vision for Medway to also focus on the strong engineering and technological capability that Medway has through industry such as BAE Systems.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
As part of the attracting investment, I would like the transport infrastructure to be considered. In particular, the junctions around Bluebell Hill and the A2/M2 will need to be developed to support the increase in traffic that the new homes will require.

Development options

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5 (least preferred)

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3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:
Re-developing the areas around train stations will maximise commuters using those transport links rather than the road networks (assuming that the rail franchises will provide the required services to and from London).
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Agree

Please explain your response:

I agree to an extent. New housing that will be "starter homes" should ensure to be as reasonably priced as existing homes, otherwise first time buyers will remain priced out of the market.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Creating strong ties between the Universities and the engineering/technology companies that exist in Medway will help promote economic development.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agreed in principle, however the Pentagon shopping centre stands out like a sore thumb when compared to the development of the riverside area around it. However, I am unsure how the Pentagon can be modernised without a significant impact on the businesses that operate within it.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Consideration for shops in and around Lordswood, for example the Admiral Walk and Kestrel Walk shops to provide more amenities for residents in the local area.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The areas in and around Capstone Valley provide for picturesque walks and this land should be protected too. Care should be taken for making sure that cycle paths are maintained.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I have a preference for homes within a new build area taking on a similar design rather than being bespoke for each individual plot. That can lead to a "haphazard" feel to the new set of homes.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I would like housing sizes to be above the minimum dimensions specified. Making sure homes have enough daylight is also very important.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
If the number of people within Medway is going to increase as stated then the number of doctors surgeries and the capability of Medway hospital will need to increase to cater for the number of new people in the area. Use of the Community Infrastructure Levy could be considered in helping this funding gap.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
In addition, Medway Council should look to utilise the Community Infrastructure Levy to help fund improvements to infrastructure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Medway Council should also make sure that people within the teaching profession are supported given the long hours they work.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Community facilities should also include pubs, which are constantly at threat from closure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Development of new junctions joining the M2 from Medway to Sittingbourne will help ease congestion in and around Blue Bell Hill.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterways and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
More housing with no jobs or infrastructure put in place to support it.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
No thought has been given to the current residents of the towns.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I understand the need for development but not at the expense of the countryside. Lodge hill should only be built on the site of the old buildings not on the woodland. Leave our village alone before we lose them under concrete.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
Look at brown field sites not greenfield sites. Why are we building house for displaced Londoners who pay a premium to move here and end up displacing the current residents?

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Destruction of greenfield sites

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Mixed housing does not work. Do you want to pay £450k to live next door to social housing?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Developers let you down on promises

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
All false promises

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Put our current residents first

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Brownfield sites not greenfield
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
More industrial units will not encourage business's to Medway. Poor infrastructure will stop that.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Your statement here should stop your plan for further housing on the Hoo Peninsula as you grade most of the land as Agricultural 1 2 or3.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
More retail space is not needed as there are a number of empty units, long term. Strood is made up of estate agents, Rochester junk shops pretending to be antique shops, Chatham discount shops and empty units. People shop online nowadays and spend more time following their leisure pursuits, if they go shopping its Bluewater or Lakeside not Chatham or Dockside

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
There is more than the Kent Downs AONB to be considered here. Lodge Hill, Saxon Shoreway are just 2 others

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Nice words but completely meaningless. Allowing planning permission for houses to be built on flood plains, overburdening our Victorian sewage system you are guilty of now and in the past.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not in keeping with the towns

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Profit is put above everything else. Narrow roads, rabbit hutch style housing, no room for privacy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
All aboard profit and collectable rates

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
You have no concerns on heritage as you have destroyed it all already. Its not just about Castles, there was a heritage in our villages.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Simply putting in more Doctors surgeries will not work. The current surgeries are stretched to breaking point by being under funded, have to many patients. Medway Hospital cannot cope as it is, yet closing over hospitals and
transferring their services to Medway. Land used for housing rather than medical facilities adding to an already overburdened NHS.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*
Heard it all before, not fulfilled.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*
Lack of teaching staff all round with no hope of encouraging teachers into the area because of the high cost of living.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*
Not fulfilled before.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*
More should be done here as putting high speed broadband that just gets slower with the more houses that are built. Cable services should also be put in place when new developments go in, like St Mary’s Island.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*
You have developers, Bellway, who plan on building on sports and recreational land at the moment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*
Not delivered in the past, why should we believe you about the future

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*
The council has put restrictions on developers before only to rescind them at a later date when the developer feels they are far enough along to change the council’s minds

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
A more sustainable network is needed so that pinch points can be reduced. Better public transport, because not everyone drives.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
All sounds good except spaces cut down on profits, if you are a developer. Parking zones are just a way of the council making money, more permits sold than spaces. Off road parking has recently been sold off for development by MHS Housing, why?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

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Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I generally agree with the Vision particularly regarding regenerating the town centres BUT protecting the Hoo Peninsula and other green spaces from development.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I generally agree with the objectives but WITH EMPHASIS on making "the best use of brownfield sites" and "with sustainable development ..... respecting the natural environment".

Development options

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1 (most preferred)

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5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I ONLY AGREE WITH OPTION 1. I have ranked the others but totally DISAGREE with Option 3. I feel Option 2 and 3 are NOT options. I have reluctantly ranked Option 4.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I support development of the waterfront and river. I support the opportunity to improve the town centres for retail, leisure, housing and services.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not agree with the statement that there could be loss of employment supply. Surely improving retail/services/businesses in the towns would increase employment opportunities. Building more houses in the rural areas will just increase people moving from London to here just because the property is cheaper. These people just sleep here, commuting back to London to work and to spend their money and leisure time there. This changes the nature of village life.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support this option.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support development in any shape or form on the green belt. I do not support expansion around Hoo St Werburgh.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This is NOT AN OPTION.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support anything in Option 3.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The development of the waterfront and town centres.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support strengthening the role of Hoo St Werburgh, i.e. making it a town. It is a village with history and should remain so.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree with the proviso that allocations for sites and broad locations EXCLUDE the Hoo Peninsula.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agree but with the proviso that enough parking is provided to accommodate the maximum number of people resident in a building, i.e., one parking space for each adult person. This is particularly important in rural areas where public transport is not good enough and most people use cars. My response is based on experience of living next door to a set of one bedroom flats with two adult occupants in each flat each with cars but only one car parking space available off road resulting in dangerous parking (Bells Lane, Hoo).

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agree but with the proviso that ALL grades of agricultural land are protected and not built on. Lower grades of land if deemed unsuitable for cultivation should be used to support agriculture and not used for extra housing which brings with it all its associated needs.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I particularly support opportunities in rural tourism. (Item 5.32, page 50). Tourism is important for the local economy - providing it does not attract greedy developers.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Generally agree but ask why is there any need for development within 6 km of these sites? This policy approach does not sound robust enough to protect these areas.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agree but with the question - why then is the 'Lodge Hill' development supported by the Council?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agree but please include the river landscapes on the Hoo Peninsula. GREEN BELT. There is no place to comment on this! Green Belt land SHOULD NOT be released for development.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
With reference to 8.11, page 71, there appears to be no specific standard regarding car parking. It is unrealistic to ignore the fact that there will be two or more cars to a family with growing children. I do not agree that shared outdoor amenity space should be prioritized over homes with garages and off-road parking. Nowhere can I see the problem of car parking addressed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Quality of life and individual space should not be sacrificed for 'efficient use of land' resulting in social, behavioural and mental problems associated with high density living.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
But would comment on 9.5 page 75 - to enable people to grow more of their own food, they would, preferably, need a garden, so why is that not specified in 8.11, page 71 under MHDS standards when building houses? I believe all dwellings should have access to a private garden or a community allotment.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Consider making lower grade agricultural land available for community allotments. Soil can be revitalised!

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
But I am concerned that infrastructure should be completed BEFORE or during the development - not just "an agreed timescale". That is not good enough where developers are concerned. This should happen or guaranteed BEFORE planning permission is granted. Developers cannot be trusted to complete their obligations.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As above. If people with children move into a new development, additional school places must be available at that time. It is not good enough to approve development without increasing school places at the same time.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agree but, as with infrastructure and education, developments should not be approved without utilities being in place.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree
Please explain your response:
1. Developments should NOT be approved until Developer Contributions are received.  2. Developers' contributions should be spent within the community affected and not put into the wider Medway pot.  3. It is hoped that adverse infrastructure issues will not arise after planning permission is granted for a development.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Specifically, Four Elms Roundabout needs to be radically improved before any more development takes place on Hoo Peninsula.

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
"Mitigate impacts (of development) or refuse development where impacts are severe" - this applies to the Hoo Peninsula. The Lower Thames Crossing could have a huge impact on the Four Elms Roundabout depending on which option for that is chosen, particularly if commercial businesses are developed at Kingsnorth and Grain as shown in the Local Plan Options.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Increasingly vehicles park with two wheels on pavements because there are too many vehicles wanting to park on either side of the roads as there is not enough off-street parking. This is just unacceptable for pedestrians particularly for disabled people and parents with buggies who sometimes have to go out into the road to get past. It is a major problem which is dangerous. It is UNREALISTIC to say where parking is restricted it would encourage sustainable public transport. People use cars and vans; this is a fact that will not change. Streets in new developments are too narrow (to squeeze in more profitable houses one presumes). Developers should NOT receive planning permission unless new roads are wider and houses/dwellings have enough off-road parking.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Response ID: 5
Name: Amy Beart
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035? Disagree

Please explain your response:
We oppose the plans for the Football Stadium at Mill Hill and the proposal of housing, leisure facilities and retail. We are residents of Grange Road Gillingham ME7 2UH and recognise this would be a tremendous problem for our community, environment for nature, increased traffic, noise and security of our properties in addition to decreasing the value of our property.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan? Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Destroying our Riverside environment by building a football stadium and housing increases traffic, noise, pollution and additional retail where it is already surrounded by retail parks and supermarkets.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
1 (most preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Alternative development around the Chatham dockside for the football stadium and retail as there is less impact on the community around Mill Hill. More sustainable from transport location and existing dockside environment of a commercial nature. The proposals for increasing housing & stadium around Mill Hill is opposed and fully unsupported due to risk of security in our community, increased traffic, noise would be detrimental to our rural environment.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Housing around medway city estate and dockside as existing retail, commercial area and land is of less risk to higher traffic and environmental problems

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
We oppose the football stadium and housing at Mill Hill - this area has a large number of existing commercial and retail businesses and further development would increase pollution, traffic and security risk to surround areas. Parking issues for existing community areas and risk of loss of safe environment that currently exists.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Suburban increase in Strood, Capstone and Hoo have the capacity for development

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Rainham development of retail is not beneficial as existing retail and commercial areas surround have increased the traffic and pass through routes.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of the villages for cliffs, Hoo, Stoke, Halstow. To bring community support and better facilities

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Oppose the increase of housing 850 at mill hill and increase retail and leisure facilities - not required and as mentioned previous causes increase risk to our rural area already and potential for increase of crime.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Support increased employment for the towns

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support the increased housing in rainham for the stars reasons as mentioned previously, increased security risk to community, and properties. No additional requirement for more reatls and leisure given what we already have a large amount in the surround areas.
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Place the football stadium at Chatham docks, dockside, Gillingham retail park, away form the residential areas of Rainham and Gillingham.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
We feel too many housing plans are suggested and these will be detrimental to our current communities and infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
As above there is already a saturated housing areas in the areas planned

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Increasing this would cause further security risks to our community and properties. The value of our ears will decrease and be much less desirable to live, saleability will decrease.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
This should not be encouraged, increasing HMO leads to undesirable residents and decreased saleability of surrounding properties.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Disagree with providing accommodation land to support a criminal community as from experience violence and stolen property has been experienced from this community!

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Development within the town centres is greatly needed especially Chatham and Gillinghams many closed shops and businesses attracting a detrimental focus on poor budget shops and poor quality products and produce.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Take this into account when considering increasing retail and housing around already saturated areas like Mill Hill this would be detrimental to the area and environment

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?  
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?  
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?  
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?  
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Actually I agree with much of the plan, but I am at variance with the council regarding Lodge Hill and other areas of countryside that is trying to be included for housing. This stretching out over arable and woodland areas rather than improving urban and suburban areas to accommodate more residential is poor strategic thinking. We cannot keep spreading outwards!

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Medway by its geographic location so close to London and being within the Thames Gateway project ought to be one of the most prosperous areas in the South East, yet many commute out from Medway to London and its periphery and less commute in, i.e. a net commuter area. This can change through investment and infrastructure improvements.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
As stated in my general response, we cannot keep spreading outwards. There are many urban areas that "tired" and need regenerating; this can be done with a long term vision by the council. Suburban densification and regeneration is more difficult, but is preferable to spreading outwards and creating a "rural town", and last thing desired by many is seeing countryside covered by more housing.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The "tired" housing could be compulsory purchased by the council, those residents affected offered good financial or housing incentives to accept purchase. The blocks could be redesigned and regenerated by leading architectural and developers, and the council receiving a net profit at the end of any one scheme, which could then be put into further regeneration projects or infrastructure improvements.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Densification of urban areas also requires there to be some green space, so the building on parks or playing fields should not be an option. These spaces are needed to improve the regenerated urban space.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The expansion of suburbia should be done carefully and the densification of projects should be closely monitored to ensure best value is gained for losing some more countryside.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Building on playing fields, going beyond the current Green Belt.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
expansion of villages needs to be done sensitively, what has occurred at High Halstow is a travesty, as the loci has moved further from the original centre and does not represent "natural" expansion from a centre.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Random sideways expansion, as has occurred at High Halstow.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Urban regeneration is a good thing, this part of the option is the same as Option1

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
A rural town is not a sustainable option, it will cover existing countryside and gives impression of being wholly new rather than expansion of existing. A worse case scenario, neither regeneration nor expansion of existing rural villages.
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

The engagement of the council in doing compulsory purchase of tired housing and regenerating whole blocks with modern highly insulated and efficient homes in well designed spaces is a more progressive way to address required housing through sustainable development.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agree with a phased approach, but the options offered above are not mentioned in the delivery.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The housing mix appears to be oriented to aesthetics as well as demand. That there is consideration for affordable housing and plots for self-build.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Pleased to read of the Starter Home policy, this is a vital component for Medway’s younger than average population.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Mentally ill and old people are not placed on the fringes of society, but brought in by the proposed locations.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is good that student accommodation is sited nearby the education campuses in terms of both sustainability and student oriented communities.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is a good policy to at least entrench the current mobile housing areas, but concerned that they are not being expanded at lease at some locations or new ones being considered. Although a different lifestyle choice to the majority, these people need facilities, and once they are provided cannot use the excuse that there are none and park in non-acceptable places.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
House boats are being given opportunity for some mild expansion.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
These are my least desirable forms of residency, having visited some in the past. They invite squalor by their very nature. Many are not adequately fire or sound protected within the converted house, this needs addressing in addition to better storage of refuse. The council should not permit the expansion of this form of housing as it is a manifestation of the poor housing provision, particularly those on low incomes.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Custom housing is a good way of achieving high quality designed houses with the necessary infrastructure. Even so, self build should also be included, but not so much as Custom within an urban area.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Sites should not be isolated from the main communities and not set in the countryside.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Diversification is admirable, as is the improvement of skills and qualifications.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Ensuring the best use of arable land rather than building over for housing is better all round for the economy and environment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Tourism is a major part of the economy and needs to be further expanded.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Concur that hotel facilities need to be near the main centres of tourism.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The retail part of the plan is very weak in comparison to those of housing and the economy, it is too vague to be able to agree.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
A commercial waterfront at Chatham along with addressing the completion of or new plans for the refurbishment of The Pentagon would make that area become a viable commercial centre with sufficient density to keep attracting retailers and shoppers alike.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Working with adjacent planning authorities is admirable as the environment doesn’t stop at the boundary.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
More environmental corridors are required, particularly as these need to work in conjunction with more intensification and densification of urban regeneration - as these in the form of narrow woodlands, wild meadows, cycle and footpaths are good for both nature and people.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There is no specific declaration to protect SSSIs, these are as important AONBs.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There needs to be more specific work required for the flood risk particularly for Strood adjacent the River Medway, especially with rising seawater levels.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Well meaning but weak strategy for air improvement.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
High quality design should not be compromised, as it is this aspect is fundamental in the public accepting and "buying into" the regeneration.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
The minimum internal space is a good criteria, prevents "rabbit hutch" housing. The other parameters particularly "clear and particular attitude to place making" are admirable, and should assist in high quality design.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
This is not developed adequately, there needs to be set parameters or at least guidelines to ensure required density is achieved.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
Agree with all points except demolition of heritage, because there needs to be a more balanced approach to economic viability. Buildings do have a life-time and there is a point when economic viability is pertinent to determining whether a building should be permitted to be demolished.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
Assisting in helping guidance for Foot Takeaway is very important in these days of high obesity and poor dieting, including not having enough "greens".

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
There needs to more integrated infrastructure within new developments and the existing built environment. The current policy is too weak and lacks vision for improvement of the existing built environment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The schools and further education policies should ensure the improvement of the young Medway population that assist in the future economic growth of the area.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Acceptance by Medway Council of community facilities is welcome, but there is concern that the constant cut-backs would ensure such facilities shall end up closing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
There is definitely more intervention required by the council to ensure infrastructure providers do their duty and provide the necessary elements for better communications.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The proposals are admirable, but there remains the concern that the local population shall not improve in their health and fitness.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Developers need to contribute to utilities infrastructure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The Infrastructure Delivery Plan ought to part of the Local Plan, not its own document. As stated above, the infrastructure element within the Local Plan is too weak to be acceptable. The elements described in this section could be part of the Infrastructure Section.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Agree with the need for more strategic road and rail improvements, but again the plan is weak in its vision. All we have had is the new Rochester Station. The northern bypass has worked to some degree but doesn't have facilities for strategic rail and sustainable transport such as cycling.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Infrastructure and marine habitat have both been considered.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Generally an admirable set of proposals.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Generally an admirable set of proposals.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There appears no good reason to keep Rochester Airport, it provides little in economic terms and takes up a lot of land within the urban area that could be used for housing, commercial use or other useful built environment uses.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The introduction of more "Home Zones" would be good for the community, particularly children and also good for the environment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Please explain your response:
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Please explain your response:
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Please explain your response:
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Please explain your response:
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Please explain your response:
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Please explain your response:
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
This is admirable, but better lock-up facilities would be more appropriate.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Agree with some points and disagree with others

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I do not wish to see the over development of the Hoo Peninsular particularly Hoo St Werburgh. We are a professional couple who have moved out of London this year to live in a Rural area and to become part of a village community. I have given up work in London and now work in a professional capacity within my local community in the public sector. If the rural areas are developed into a town we will be forced to move out of Medway as it will not be the same place that we were drawn to move to.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
That the growth is centered around the urban areas which are already towns and have the infrastructure and facilities to cope with a growing community and that the villages on the Hoo Peninsular are not expanded retaining the rural village communities

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Expansion of Hoo st Werburgh and surrounding villages. The infrastructure and local amenities including Doctors, Dentists etc cannot support the existing community let along any increase

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Expansion of Hoo st Werburgh and surrounding villages. The infrastructure and local amenities including Doctors, Dentists etc cannot support the existing community let along any increase

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Expansion of Hoo st Werburgh and surrounding villages. The infrastructure and local amenities including Doctors, Dentists etc cannot support the existing community let along any increase

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I do not agree that these types of dwellings should be allowed at all

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
But would like to see this further protected

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I would like to see further expansion in the quality of retail provision in Strood and the cohesion between he retail park and the high street. why force those living in Strood and surrounding areas to travel to Chatham for good shopping facilities particularly if Strood is an area for expansion in residential housing

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Strood

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Any housing built on Green Belt land must be in keeping with the surroundings

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

More health facilities are needed on the Hoo Peninsular with longer opening times for those people who work

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Increased public transport (ie more bus times to Hoo Peninsular) and buses from Hoo Peninsular both sides of the Medway City Estate

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There is no consideration of where self build plots are or would be or any mention of brownfield sites and the potential to build or building in your own garden.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Sounds great but in practice will not cover normal people

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Option 2 - Suburban expansion
Option 3 - A rural focus
Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
allowing building in rural areas to cope with rising housing costs for young people who's family live there and smaller units for older and disabled people
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery? Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix? Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes? Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation? Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation? Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

This only works for the few- and those already have what they want in these areas- seems as if you are shuting the stable door after the horse has bolted!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronnts and river access?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 9
Name: Anonymous
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Disagree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
An ambitious vision - it would be great to see this realised. However, the key issue will be enabling access to, and exit from the Medway Towns, which currently means gridlock on the A2 every morning, London bound, and exiting Lordswood and Walderslade towns is also a major issue. In my opinion, the road infrastructure issue needs to be resolved before there is any additional building.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Quality of life is key.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
4

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Opposed to the creation of more high rise apartment buildings - to retain some of the natural landscape beauty in this area, please don't build more high rise blocks! Also, families want homes with gardens and outside space.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I think this option would be much more appealing if there were clear intentions to upgrade and redevelop some of the old Victorian housing around Luton and within other areas. These now seem very run down in places, and let the whole area down.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support building more high/medium rise blocks.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Could be less disruptive than the rural regeneration, but I'm not sure about the locations selected and does it create the numbers of homes required?

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No building on green belt land!

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This is the most logical option for me - Hoo and the surrounding area has developed substantially in recent years and the area seems to support further developments. Also, residents would benefit from additional leisure and shopping facilities, taking the pressure (and hopefully traffic issues) away from the nearest town, Strood.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Encourage more houseboats! Make Medway a unique place to live.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
but please please make sure there is ample parking and better road infrastructure. Please also review whether the current time allowed for pedestrian crossings is DDA compliant - in Strood especially, not enough time is given and you wait an age for the lights to change!

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I would like to see more ambition - can Medway be ahead of it's time with solar energy roads/bike lanes? Look to the Netherlands and other areas for inspiration.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Ensuring access to high quality primary and secondary care is essential and needs to grow commensurate with the growth in housing.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
7 day working and access to health services.

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Support more consideration of commercial parking - please ensure all new housing developments have adequate parking.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I would like to see more houseboats encouraged, providing they are occupied regularly and maintained.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Please explain your response:
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Please explain your response:
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Please explain your response:
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Please explain your response:
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Please explain your response:
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

Please explain your response:
More bike lanes needed - how about something more exciting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

More bike lanes needed - how about something more exiting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.

More bike lanes needed - how about something more exiting, like solar bike lanes. And a bike hire scheme maybe? Encourage the use of bike transport.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
We do not agree with option 2 or 3 on the darland banks. There is not the infrastructure to support these developments. Furthermore the amount of traffic it would generate and the pressure it would put on local amenities would be unmanageable. There is a vast amount of green space, ecology and history on the darland valley and to destroy this for what is proposed i think is not acceptable. We need to maintain our green spaces, and the scenery that we have, which is one reason why i and many other people live and enjoy this area. We do not agree to any development of any kind in this area.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Do not agree with any development of any kind and wish to keep this area the green and scenic community it is

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
3
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Do not agree with building and expanding on rural and countryside areas. Utilise the empty office spaces, for example chatham and gillingham high streets, and make use of the spaces already there, instead of damaging more countryside for further homes and business that cannot be sustained.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Utilise spaces already there

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not create and build new buildings where already existing ones can be used

Suburban expansion
Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support any expansion of any kind which destroys countryside and wildlife

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
As above

A rural focus
Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Support maintaining the countryside and furthering ecology and wildlife

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
As above

Urban regeneration and rural town
Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support expansion of any kind

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
As above

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development
Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Utilise and use spaces that already exist. Use old office spaces, land that is no longer being used and do not build on areas of green space which destroy wildlife and countryside
Local Plan approach to policy development

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Maintain and keep green space

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Keep the green belt as it is as dont build on it.

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Maintain history and heritage and keep countryside and environment

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterabouts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree that Medway should be defined by development that respects the natural environment, and ensures that important wildlife and heritage assets are protected, but I wonder how this will be achieved given the Council’s plans to develop Lodge Hill, a SSSI site and one of national importance.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
The riverside city should not just be connected to its natural surroundings but enhancing them, and celebrating the natural assets that it has and their benefits for wildlife and local people.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Option 2 - Suburban expansion
Option 3 - A rural focus
Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Please do not allow for housing to develop on Lodge Hill, this is a hugely loved and essential area of habitat that support notable and protected species. It is irreplaceable.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Is it focuses on environmental? What about the plans for Lodge Hill, arguably one of the most important areas for wildlife in Kent? Please ensure it is protected.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

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Retail and town centres

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Agree

Please explain your response:

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Natural environment and green belt

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Agree

Please explain your response:

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Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 15
Name: Anonymous
Type of respondent:

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
There is a definite need to plan to avoid exploitation by third parties & sympathetically regenerate the area & provide employment for the local people.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Ambition should not overwhelm quality of life

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

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1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Lose of countryside is irreversible. Every opportunity for development within the urban area should be exploited first. There are major developments planned outside Medway that could result in the loss of open space around the
towns. If we build out to our outer limits and other surrounding councils do the same there will be no space & countryside, just buildings & roads

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

**Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.**

Attractive riverside is important as long as everyone gets to share it. Example of St Mary’s Island. Restricted parking on the island and at the shopping centre makes it difficult for outsiders to enjoy the walk around the island. Potential within the Town centre for more housing.

**Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.**

Extension of development between Chatham & Rainham, dependence on Lodge Hill to provide bulk housing. Why the continual need for excessive retail when the trend is towards online

Suburban expansion

**Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.**

Immense development around Hoo creates large conurbation, encroachment on the Riverside Country Park will detract from the countryside feel of the place

**Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.**

Expanding the villages results in less space between them, so at a later date it just gets filled in with more housing. Capstone development could run into other council's developments creating small town. Already developed areas within the towns could do with upgrading to prevent 'ghetto' areas

A rural focus

**Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.**

Expanding the villages results in less space between them, so at a later date it just gets filled in with more housing. Capstone development could run into other council's developments creating small town. Already developed areas within the towns could do with upgrading to prevent 'ghetto' areas

**Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.**

Regeneration of Twydall, could go further into Gillingham Town Centre

Urban regeneration and rural town

**Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.**

Regeneration of Twydall, could go further into Gillingham Town Centre

**Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.**

Again, dependent on development at Hoo, Industry being willing to move out to Grain. Development in that area makes the fight against the airport seem inconsequential

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

**Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below**
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Sustainable transport

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 16
Name: Anonymous
Type of respondent:

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

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1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
3

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

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**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

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**Urban regeneration and rural town**

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**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

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**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

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Retail and town centres

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Natural environment and green belt

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
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Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
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Health and communities

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Sustainable transport

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
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Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

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Minerals, waste and energy

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
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**General comments**

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Agree

Please explain your response:

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Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

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Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

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Suburban expansion

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A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 18
Name: Anonymous
Type of respondent:

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree
Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
There are a lot of opportunities presented by being a riverside town which I think could be harnessed by regeneration

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

**Disagree**

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?  
Disagree

Please explain your response:  
Medway is not a city. The town's will become urban sprawl for people from London adding to traffic and parking problems not only in the town's but the motorways due to cost and unreliable public transport

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?  
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:  
Quality of life will go down due to transport issues and more people crammed in to the towns

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration  
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion  
3

Option 3 - A rural focus  
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town  
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.  
2

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order  
Regeneration of all brown field sights no destruction of rural areas turn lodge hill back to nature
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
All including regeneration of unused office block to housing and mixed use

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Use of land between town's

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
New towns

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Urban regeneration

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
New town

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?  
Agree  

Please explain your response:  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?  
Agree  

Please explain your response:  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?  
Agree  

Please explain your response:  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?  
Don't know/ No opinion  

Please explain your response:  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?  
Don't know/ No opinion  

Please explain your response:  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?  
Don't know/ No opinion  

Please explain your response:  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?  
Disagree  

Please explain your response:  
No more HMO in resident parking zone areas  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?  
Don't know/ No opinion  

Please explain your response:  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?  
Don't know/ No opinion  

Please explain your response:  

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?  
Please comment in the box below  

Employment  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?  
Don't know/ No opinion  

Please explain your response:  

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

More parking spaces due to more people living at home

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
New hospital required then redevelopment of existing site on original footprint to housing

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 20
Name: Anonymous
Type of respondent:

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree because of the predicted growth, but it has to be done on the right way, planning for adequate schools, housing with parking, doctors and road structures.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don’t know/No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don’t know/No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don’t know/No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don’t know/No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Any new housing must accommodate space for at least two off road parking spaces or as a minimum one space per bedroom. Examples of where parking is a nightmare is St Marys Island and Wainscott, Choir Close.

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?**  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?**  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?**  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?**  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?**  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?**  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?**

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?**

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?**

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?**

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?**

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
Development needs to be focused on the regeneration of the historic city center to make Medway a more attractive place to live and work.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan? 
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Certainly agree that University city status would vastly improve Medway's image - attracting a younger vibrant demographic to the area.

Development options

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Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
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Option 2 - Suburban expansion
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Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:
If Medway is to be recognised as an attractive City, it needs to better utilise it's historic and natural assets like Chatham Dockyard and Brompton Barracks. Development of the Medway City Estate is a sensible option - giving the city a greater focus. It could also provide further pedestrian links across the river and allow better access to the
waterfront, giving the city better connectivity. I agree that high rise development would be beneficial in the right locations. Such development should also complement Medway’s historic architecture. In conclusion, development in the centre of Medway is essential. Done well, it will allow regeneration of the city and give Medway a greater focus point - something it has lacked for decades. The City’s focal point should be the Rochester and Chatham High Street, including the area in between. The universities campuses at Brompton are integral to the future of Medway and should be supported to allow further regeneration of the city.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

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A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

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Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:
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Retail and town centres

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Please explain your response:

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Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

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Built environment

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Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

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**Infrastructure**

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**Sustainable transport**

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

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Minerals, waste and energy

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

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General comments

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Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 22
Name: Anonymous
Type of respondent:

Vision for Medway 2035

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

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Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

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Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

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Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I am particularly concerned about the development of Hoo into a town. My fear is that we will have considerable expansion of housing around our village before improvements are made to roads and services.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This is my most favoured option as Hoo will retain its village identity.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
This option as with the three other options identifies Lodge Hill which will provide a considerable number of houses but that development could take services from Hoo reducing the ability we have to provide for the needs of Hoo residents.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

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Urban regeneration and rural town

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Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

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Have the planners explored all possibilities for extra housing and business development. Is every flat above shops being used? etc

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

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Health and communities

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Please explain your response:
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**Infrastructure**

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

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Minerals, waste and energy

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

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Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

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Disagree

Please explain your response:
It appears that you are expected by the UK Main Government to have a plan. But in your "4 Scenarios" you do not include the replacement of Medway Maritime Hospital on a new site or what is to become of St Bartholomew's Hospital unused Building. The façade could be kept, if it is listed, but the inside renewed, and could be a good scheme. You also do not mention the proposed new Thames Tunnel at Gravesend, which when completed will make this area even more attractive to outsiders and probably Londoners. Incomers people will mean more cars and more particulate pollution all very limited limited road space. The only way to cut pollution is to have a Mass Transit Network for Medway. All your plans include a lot of building on green field sites in Hoo St Werburgh, some houses yes, but don’t swamp what is a rural area. Build-in Public Services such as GP, Vet, Dentist, Community Centres. Be careful of building individual retail units with expensive rents and business rates, which in the computer age never get taken up. If you plan a "Mall" without installing a Mass Transit you will require large car parks, thus more Tarmac. This scheme mentions Estate Renewal? I hope this does not really mean building on some of the Green Spaces on the Twydall Estate? Rather than wait for the Lodge Hill Planning Enquiry I suggest that "The runner up in the Wolfson Economics Prize 2014 "Stoke Harbour" Garden City is started because it is already professionally well planned, and on that site it would not have a huge environmental impact as it will be a Garden City. If you took up that scheme you would have something in hand and moving along that sounds nice.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

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5 (least preferred)

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4

Option 3 - A rural focus
2
Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
As I said earlier you would be a good plan to build a new Mass Transit onto the Peninsula linked to Strood and the other side of the river, and then go with Garden City at Stoke Harbour.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I would support a modern football stadium with supporting community facilities. I would support development at Mill Hill.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
High density buildings are very difficult to police and control with regards to crime, rubbish and pollution. Your plan does not mention garbage and sewage treatment facilities. If Medway City Estate was developed for housing who would want to live in such a lonely forsaken place. Is that a flood plain by the way? If you build a new stadium you could build a new hospital next to it to use a joint car park and free up the present Medway Maritime Hospital site for proper development.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I support solving the stress on the highway network which will increase when the new Thames tunnel is put through at Gravesend

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
None of it because it destroys green belt and is the thin end of a wedge for further green belt encroachment.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The availability of alternatives to car-based travel for rural residents. If it was properly planned by making two Garden Cities I would support both the Growth of Hoo St. Werburgh and Stoke Harbour.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
If you do not employ professional Garden City designers and just you hand the sites and development work to the big contractors they will just make a patchwork of estates with houses which they can easily sell off to incomers.
Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Some new medium density development on the waterfront with interesting outlets would make an amenity for promenading providing it could be connected to a Mass Transit.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Since it proposes work in several parts of Medway yet again will act as the thin end of a wedge leading to further encroachment.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

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Build a Mass Transit to the rural peninsula and all along the front of both sides of the river and connect with the hospital and new football ground. Concentrate on going for properly designed Garden Cities.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

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Don't know/ No opinion

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

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Agree

Please explain your response:

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Agree

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
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Employment

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Retail and town centres

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Natural environment and green belt

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A rural focus

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Keep your hands off green belt land

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Urban regeneration and rural town

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Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 25
Name: Ben McGowan
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I think the vision, if anything, is rather conservative and we should be more ambitious. We need to stop being in the cultural and commercial shadow of London and start to thrive as a city.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
We need to improve public transport and make it a first choice for local people. Our buses are too expensive, and don’t provide sensible routes.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I’ve ranked them in this order because there isn’t an option to say that I think there is equal merit in them all. We desperately need more homes, and to regenerate our town centres to create a decent city. Of course, we need a
new hospital and improved public services. We should make the most of our waterfront to provide decent quality homes and leisure facilities and maximise development of brownfield sites. I don’t think this should be at the exclusion of other options. The Medway Towns is surrounded by redundant fields of little use other than visual amenity for people who do not use them but like the idea of living near them. I’d rather my children had a hope of buying a home locally than being able to look at a field that achieves nothing other than an occasional bootfair.

**Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I support the regeneration of Twydall. This is much needed, particularly the areas around Twydall Green and Beechings Green where so much space is lost to verges used as car parks. This is in all four plans. I also support the employment land on Grain / Hoo peninsual. I really like the idea of redeveloping Medway City Estate as residential.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I think that incremental growth in outlying areas is not ambitious enough.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The regeneration of Twydall. I really like the idea of building plenty of homes in East Medway, although i do not think this should be north of the Lower Rainham Road due to the flood plain and unique countryside here.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support the development of Capstone Valley.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The creation of essentially a new town at Hoo is good, but needs infrastructure and public transport

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Any development on Capstone Valley. Not enough focus on homes through the central Medway A2 corridor.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
On the whole, this is quite a good mix. Again, anything that regenerates Twydall is welcome.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Frankly, yes. Gillingham and Chatham town centres are too close to each other to work for the mutual benefit of Medway. If Medway is to have a true city centre, it should be Chatham. This needs total regeneration and the
introduction of our university students to bring life into the night time economy. Further, we should take the opportunity to look to bring greater residential focus to Gillingham town centre by removing the focus on business use for premises. I am keen to ensure that there is plentiful supply of affordable housing within the plans for thousands of new homes. The key driving force in the predicted population increase is people who are priced out of London. I came to Medway for these very reasons as a child, but now I am proud to call Medway my home. I am lucky enough to be a homeowner, however if I was ten years younger I would not stand a chance despite good employment. I think it is essential that a good proportion of the new homes are truly affordable, including a socially rented product for those on low to medium incomes with a local connection. Ideally these would be council properties.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Medway must lead and enforce a strict 25% quota for affordable homes rather than be led by developers concerned about profit margins. Medway should look to ensure that it adds to its own housing stock as part of these plans.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
As per the above.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree
Please explain your response:
These should be limited as they drive up prices, over-populate areas and remove community.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I do not think this protects the rights of gypsy and traveller communities as it potentially allows for nimbyism.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I think the student centre should be in Chatham. We need to stop Gillingham from attempting to compete with Chatham and have one city centre for Medway. We should look to a wholesale regeneration of Gillingham, particularly its High Street, to focus on this as a residential area. At present the town centres compete with each other to each other’s detriment leaving both unappealing and undesirable.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Other than the AONB, I think we should look to build homes wherever we can.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?  

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?  

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
In the main I support Scenario 4

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
3

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Urban Medway needs improvement to go 'up market', but existing green spaces such as Jacksons Field, Darland, Great Lines, Broomhill etc need to be maintained to provide green areas within the urban area. There is an opportunity to develop the Rochester Riverside. The small villages such as Cliffe, High Halstow should remain as such. I think Hoo village is the best option for expansion, but would prefer that Lodge Hill remains as-is, or smaller scale than currently envisaged.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Improving the character of the waterfront and the town centres.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Increased load on infrastructure esp roads and medical facilities

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Creeping outward of towns boundaries

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Creation of a new town

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of Lodge Hill. Expansion of Cliffe, High Halstow.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Urban regeneration & rural town at Hoo

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No more gypsy parks please

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
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Respondent ID: 27
Name: C Montgomery
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035
Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
I do not want lodge hill to be developed as it is a SSSI

Strategic objectives
Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree
Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
There needs to be a greater emphasis on environmental protection for existing wildlife habitats

Development options
Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option
Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Option 2 - Suburban expansion
Option 3 - A rural focus
Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Leave hill is an SSSI and should not be developed in any way

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it EXCEPT any development of Lodge Hill
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
Development of lodge hill

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it EXCEPT the development of lodge hill

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
Development of lodge hill

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Urban development only

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
Development of lodge hill and other rural areas

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Support urban regeneration

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
Rural development and especially development of lodge hill

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Regenerate current urban areas do not take the cheap option by developing in rural areas and do not develop lodge hill

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Development for housing should be based on urban regeneration, not by building on rural land and not by building on lodge hill

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
The focus should be on reusing current urbanised areas, not on rural land and not on lodge hill

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Rural land needs to be protected and lodge hill should not be considered for any development

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Leave rural land alone

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Regenerate urban areas, don't develop rural land or lodge hill

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Leave lodge hill alone. Protect SSSIs

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Protect lodge hill

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Protect lodge hill

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Don't build on lodge hill

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Don't build on lodge hill

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Protect existing rural open spaces

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Don't ignore the wildlife groups. Don't allow any building on lodge hill

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments
Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
**Development Options Consultation**

**Online Questionnaire Responses**

**Respondent ID:** 28  
**Name:** Carrie Cole  
**Type of respondent:** Member of the public

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**Vision for Medway 2035**

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

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**Strategic objectives**

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?  
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

It is important any new developments are supported with infrastructure. Medway City Estate shows when this goes wrong - tail back traffic and difficulty evacuating quickly in an emergency.

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**Development options**

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option.

1. **Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**  
   5 (least preferred)

2. **Option 2 - Suburban expansion**  
   2

3. **Option 3 - A rural focus**  
   4

4. **Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town**  
   1 (most preferred)

5. **Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.**

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:

It is clear from the changes in Medway that becoming a university town is the way to go to improve prospects but it is important not to diminish the rural aspects of Medway too. It is nice to have a choice and an area with lots of living options. Medway shouldn’t aspire to be like all other big cities. It needs its own identity and we have a wonderful rural area that can be part of that. However we also shouldn’t hold back on progress. Medway has a poor reputation of being run down so urban regeneration should be a big part of changes.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Increasing affordable housing is hugely important. Wages in Medway aren't huge and with an £50,000 deposit I still cannot afford housing that I can afford in other towns.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Over expanding into rural areas could upset villages where they enjoy the feeling of being in a smaller community. However, I am aware many in Chattenden would welcome a small expansion to support new services like surgeries and children centres.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
A great way to increase housing without greatly cutting into green spaces

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Doesn't go as far as it could in redeveloping key areas of Medway that at the moment are run down and unsupported

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This keeps more green space and the identity of villages

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Limited scope for new housing - a huge problem in Medway

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This supports both urban and rural living. Any new housing is great but this will potentially increase infrastructure in rural locations which causes issues for many residents

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Greater development of apartments by the river fronts. Usually high rise accommodation isn't appreciated but by the universities and river it brings a lovely upmarket feel to the area and allows a greater number of homes to be built in a smaller area. If supported with gyms, shops and hangout locations it can creat a bustling community which would appeal to students and encourage more people to go to university in Medway
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There should be more affordable housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery? Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Medway Council do not have the expertise or ability to carry their vision through for the citizens of Medway and the vision is totally flawed. The five towns that make up Medway City need desperate financial injection to improve every aspect of healthy living within Medway. For more years than I can remember Medway,s Tory Council only think ‘within the box’ and until it ‘looks outside the box’ nothing will change for the citizens of Medway, especially with this ‘Medway Council Local Plan 2012-2035.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Good objectives but with Medway Council spearheading the Plan it will be a disaster

Development options

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5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Absolutely not to Option 1, guarded suburban expansion Option 2, Option 3 a measured approach, Option 4 no urban regeneration, Medway is already high density and overcrowded with diabolical road network, welfare & health and little money being spent where it is desperately needed.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support urban regeneration in Medway.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No urban regeneration within Medway, it is already high density and overcrowded

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Sympathetic suburban expansion with environmental constraints.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No development of green belt, especially Capstone and definitely no release of green belt anywhere round Medway Towns, enough is enough. Medway Tory Council have already spoilt what was a good place to live.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Extending villages for housing but only social housing.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No good building lots of houses when there's no infrastructure to support the influx of new citizens.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Don't support.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Higher density development. Medway citizens live in one of the largest urban areas in the south east, with a weak economy and lower skills levels and marked inequalities in health (according to your vision and strategic objectives. How is developing green spaces going to improve our lives in Medway

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Connect Sheerness to Isle of Grain either with a tunnel or bridge also connecting to Essex thereby opening up the whole area. This would also do away with another crossing at North Kent or Dartford.
Local Plan approach to policy development

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
No building on green belt - no further building/regeneration of estates ie Twydall

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
We need social, affordable housing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
We desperately need starter homes and affordable housing whatever the policy.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
More rental properties are needed for everybody, not just students

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below?

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Whatever Medway Council decide, there should be no development of green belt round the Medway Towns. Enough is enough.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Spend more money investing in our infrastructure to improve the health and well being of the citizens of Medway.

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Medway Council have a disgraceful record for implementing anything so who knows what they will deliver!

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

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Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Lodge Hill must NOT be developed! Wildlife in England is disappearing at an alarming rate. Simply moving the birds to another location is only putting off the inevitable destruction of the birds -- in addition to the other species that call the area home. You are not "planning growth" in a positive way, but you are PLANNING FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF WILDLIFE. How can a community have pride in what you've built when you / they have destroyed the very thing you claim to love? If wildlife, heritage, nature, etc. are so important, than don't insult our intelligence by claiming you love it, when you plan on destroying it!

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
You can sugar-coat it all you want, but destroying NATURAL habitat and replacing it with concrete, man-made structures all around it, and displacing wildlife that call the area home, is irresponsible and sickening.

Development options

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Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
4

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Your diagrams show undeveloped land that is not joined up to allow wildlife to roam freely. If wildlife, such as deer and other mammals, are forced to live in pockets, they cannot reach their kind in other pockets to breed. I do not believe for one minute that millions of new homes are required in the country. STOP IMMIGRATION! Encourage people to live together! How many 1-2 person households do we need? When will you be happy? When the entire country is bulldozed and all wildlife except bugs are left? Besides, the houses you build are ugly and won't last a 100 years, they are so cheaply built with no style or character. Is that the legacy you want?

**Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

The government has not built a decent new city since Letchworth. All the others, like Cambourne, are ugly, soulless cheap garbage. Cambourne, not even 50 years old, looks like an unloved council estate. We have many friends who moved there and are sorry they did. Their properties are falling apart. There is no sense of community. It's garbage, and yet you want to build more!

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

I do not support you pandering to developers.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Starter homes are a joke. They are cheaply built and not built to last. They don't have enough parking. They have no style. They have NO storage for things a typical family needs. Like closets in all bedrooms to put clothes. Closets to store vacuums, ironing boards, mops, etc. etc. etc.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree homes should be made for older persons. However, homes for older people are a joke in this country. Visit care homes in the USA - Florida, for example - and see what they CAN BE! Also, who says an older couple doesn't want their own home that looks modern and has some style! Who says they don't want to give in an ugly "bungalow"? Many they want homes with decent square footage to put their life-long treasures. Maybe a club house with a bar, swimming pool, tennis courts, golf course!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The UK doesn't know how to build beautiful mobile home parks.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
I agree that people should be able to build their own homes. However, they should also be able to build whatever they please, in the style they want, so long as it works with the surroundings. Why should the council tell me I have to build a 3 bedroom home, when I might want a 2 bedroom home in the same space so I don’t have tiny rooms?!!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Taxpayers should not have to accommodate gypsies who do not contribute to the community or pay taxes.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
From what I have seen in other developments, they do not help local or small business. In Royston, Herts. for example, the Tesco closed down all the local shops and refuses to let other businesses in by threatening/paying off the council. What was once a thriving market town is now not worth going into.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
You don’t give a hoot about preserving the green belt, much less doing anything to help wildlife thrive.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
See above.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
In ALL new builds, you might plant grass, trees, bushes. But then no body takes care of them. They become overgrown or die or infested with weeds. Look at the common areas in ANY town in the UK. There is NO pride for landscaping common areas.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Yeah, stop building on it! How about creating MORE greenbelt and linking the "islands" of green belt

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Why not emply actual architects to design homes, instead of builders? New homes are ugly, too small, poorly built with cheap materials, and won't last a 100 years. Who ever buys a new home and hopes to MOVE UP / UPGRADE to another new homes? They don't - because they are NOT a step up!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not sure about this. We already live on top of each other in tiny little spaces in crappy little concrete boxes. How many more people are you going to force in? How much more land will you destroy? How long before you have caused X number more species to go extinct?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
What heritage? Do you call the new buildings in this country "heritage"? Will you be PROUD of the new buildings you've built when our descendents look at them 100 years from now? No! You are building the slums of the future.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Community facilities? What...a managed little scrap of park where you've forced out all natural nature? An area planted with some grass that will eventually turn into weeds and mud? What new towns have been built where the common facilities can age gracefully.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:
See all responses above. "Open space" is a joke. When I was a kid, we had vast expanses of woodland to roam with trees to climb; ponds, lakes and streams to fish and swim in; meadows to have picnics and ride our bikes on ground - not bloody concrete paths, fenced areas, etc. etc.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Minerals, waste and energy
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

General comments
Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The vision is great, I am less convinced that all the options suggested will deliver it.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
The plan has correctly identified the main problem in Medway's attractiveness; the run down state of central Chatham. I would add that Gillingham is no better, but is perhaps a lower priority as Chatham is central to Medway. Rochester Riverside and St Mary's Island show how good quality housing attracts people and commercial opportunities. Chatham needs to benefit from serious investment. A rural town on Hoo would such the life out of Strood and Chatham as well as having negative environmental impacts. This may be what house builders want to make a short term profit, but it would be a bad deal for Medway.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I fully support new investment in Chatham and Strood. This must include some upmarket development to maintain/create demand in local shops, restaurants. If Gillingham FC can put together a scheme to fund their move, I would support it, although transport links could be an issue. Housing development in existing suburban areas should continue, but I would not support any major retail developments in new areas. We need to regenerate the old town centres.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I would add Gillingham as a centre for new investment e.g. the site of the Priestfield Stadium if the Gills do move. I think Lodge Hill should be designated as a country park in view of its status as a Site of Special Scientific Interest for nightingales, ancient woodlands and rare grassland. The development of Lodge Hill would fly in the face of the Strategy and Vision, and the National Planning Policy Framework.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Suburban expansion is likely to be part of the way forward, but I would give town centre regeneration the priority. While there may be a need for some local shops to service new developments, major suburban retail development should be resisted as this will go against town centre regeneration. Can some of the administrative boundaries be revised? The eastern border by Rainham is looking increasingly daft as housing development in Swale appears along the border.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Development in Hoo should not include Lodge Hill (see option 1).

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
This would turn Hoo into a housing estate and do nothing to regenerate Chatham. Lodge Hill should not be developed (see option 1 comments). Given the requirement for the UK to reduce CO2 emissions by 80% by 2050, it is difficult to see how a development that is likely to generate considerable road traffic is in accordance with the national policy. It would generate easy profits for house builders and do nothing for Medway.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
At least this option does include some town centre regeneration, but I think that will be undermined by the rural town.
Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I don't think this is much better than option 3 and all the same comments still apply.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
How much vacant or under used housing is available in Medway? What is the scope for bringing this into use instead of new build? Are their surplus retail or industrial sites that could be converted/redeveloped for housing? These could be quick, low cost options that should be encouraged together with the wider plan.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The policy addresses most of the major issues except for the need to reduce CO2 emissions. New housing must enable energy efficient lifestyles (i.e. low heating needs and low carbon transport).

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The document is spot on in identifying where we are. Tourism should feature strongly perhaps by working with organisations such as the RSPB to promote Medway's richness and diversity of environments. People commuting to London could work from home more if the season ticket system facilitated this. This would benefit both commuters and the local economy.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Tourism not only generates jobs, it promotes a pleasant environment and positive image.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Rochester and Hempstead are attractive places to go and so are successful, Chatham is getting progressively more run down and seems to be in a downward spiral. There doesn't seem to be a shortage of retail space, just a severe shortage of quality retailers.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree with the approach but question whether the policy applies the approach consistently. There does not appear to be any mention of Lodge Hill and its SSSI status.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The approach does recognise the problems of transport in peripheral areas. These are very relevant to the possible development at Hoo and provide a strong argument against scenarios 3 and 4

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water fronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 32
Name: Christopher Morris
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
Medway suffers from very poor public transport. Hospitals and medical services are overstretched to breaking point, being some of the worst in the UK. Roads are clogged with vehicles including hundreds of foreign commercial vehicles parked wherever they can. Traffic is almost at a standstill and whenever there is a problem on the M2 it very soon turns to gridlock. This government backed plan to build thousands of houses over large green areas of an already overpopulated area is not feasible. Pollution and traffic levels will become unacceptable and your plan is very big on allowing wholesale development but does not give a positive solution to improving the infrastructure. We all know that 106 monies rarely get used properly and constant council cuts on expenditure means very little is spent on existing greenspaces. At the present time we have a £10000 budget for public rights of way. This has been cut year on year and your plan does nothing to address this. Nothing is mentioned about neighbouring councils building housing developments on Medway borders this impacts on our roads and amenities, pollution levels, traffic etc. I do not think your plan is feasible nor the housing numbers sustainable.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
your plans are over ambitious, unsustainable and will make the quality of life in Medway unacceptable.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
We have few green spaces left in Medway. We need to protect them not build over them

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Using brownfield sites

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Very little

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree
Please explain your response:

Too many

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

not enough affordable housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Will be unable to sustain the present population

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Feel we have enough space for these groups. They put very little into the community.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There will be too much traffic and poor air quality

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:
Feel you have underestimated the problem you will face with healthcare of so many people

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Open spaces will be constantly under threat

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

The only thing in the policy that will be fully implemented will be letting developers build over large areas of green space. Once they have gone Medway council will be unable to cope with the fallout or the needs of a large influx of people

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Bus services in Medway are poor and have been cut. Cannot see this situation improving. The rail system is at breaking point, without huge investment this will not change.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Too few overpriced car parks for commuters. Housing density and lack of off road parking will mean cars being parked on pavements and clogging streets. This already a problem. Building thousands of houses will not improve matters.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 33
Name: Claire Baldwin
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035
Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives
Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree
Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
If those things can be got right, everything else will naturally follow.

Development options
Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

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1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Urban areas are often already well-served with infrastructure and services - it makes sense to maximise these first as it should be less controversial to the local area.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
If there are not tight controls, it could turn into urban sprawl

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Many people would like more rural accommodation.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
If an area becomes too large, it loses its unique identity and stops feeling like a 'village'

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Student accommodation is significantly altering the feel of the area of Gillingham I live in. Long term residents are mainly experiencing negative impacts on parking and noise. The car ownership per household is much higher than a standard family.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Medway Park is now closed on a Friday evening, which is a reduction in service rather than an expansion.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Significant areas of green belt land and Local areas of landscape importance are potentially identified for development.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Sub rural areas will be significantly affected by to provide so called riverside living!

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Regenerate urban run down areas of Medway first
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
sustainwildlife areas and green spaces

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
building on green space and areas of local landscape importance

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

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Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

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**Minerals, waste and energy**

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

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Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?

Agree

Please explain your response:

No-one can disagree with the general notion that Medway could and should become a revitalised urban centre, attractive locations for jobs homes and leisure. The Local Plan articulates a series of ambitious schemes to fit together delivering character and high quality. There is always a problem with this in that delivery is by commercial firms who are less driven by overall vision as commercial objects may conflict with public policy strategy. To work in partnership with commercial firms Medway will have to be sure of its objectives working with profit based firms by means of strong regulation and enforcement. We always struggle to deliver significant growth employment in Medway, but this must be done because we still have at least 50% of our working population commuting out. Higher and Further Education themselves cannot deliver sufficient economic growth unless they are clear what education and training we need. Without economic strategy public policy and public expenditure put into positive structure like the High speed Broadband mentioned, fully serviced business parks economic growth will not happen.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

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Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.  
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Some measure of development in rural areas is inevitable to meet the requirement of Government policy and significant rural town development is the best way to deliver this because the alternative would be a whole series of small developments difficult to service and disruptive to the green landscape. This allows planned small town with transport and retail advantages. Urban regeneration is also inevitable to make use of redundant industrial and retail sites. In town shops and factories will allow rebuild and renewal. Urban areas cannot stay without change at any stage in history.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I am concerned that the growth in population is driven by older people getting older so any plan should be aware of this in any new plan. Many older people are more than happy to live near services: retail, transport and health. Development of higher density homes for older people in urban areas using sites available because of economically nonviable shops and other retail outlets like car show rooms that have moved out of town would meet policy objectives and provide real assistance to a growing population sector.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

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Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

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Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

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Please explain your response:

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

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**Sustainable transport**

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 36
Name: Dr Caroline Jessel
Type of respondent: Government Department/Public Bodies

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There appears to be an inherent contradiction within the vision which reading the plan has not resolved - the considerable growth in housing and development cannot be reconciled with preserving and enhancing the natural and historic environment.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
It's not very clear what “successful in place-making” means.

Development options

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Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
This section explains well the value of the natural environment to health, wellbeing and intrinsic pride in the community but there was no clarity around protection and enhancement. How can this happen while building so many new houses and employment sites?
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This approach is very important for biodiversity, climate change mitigation, air quality and health and wellbeing. However the plan is vague about how this can be achieved.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I do not think the protection required can be achieved while building so much more infrastructure and housing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not clearly explained in the plan given the nature of the river Medway. Also heat wave mitigation was not addressed at all - an important health risk for the future.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I would have liked to see a clear assessment of current air quality and its impacts on Medway residents with focus on hotspots, a commitment to encourage electric vehicles, phase out diesel vehicles, use influence to reduce pollution from shipping and motorway traffic.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Greater emphasis on planting in urban areas including rooftops, more biodiversity on council managed sites eg grass verges, crackdown on litter and better access to green space for all children and the elderly in particular.

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Although I agree broadly there needs to be radical action in Medway to change the current dangerous levels of obesity and inactivity. Cycling and walking should be the default choice for all for at least part of their journeys. Food options need to be completely rethought too. An example of this might be to place all school car parks half a mile away from the school with a safe green walking/cycling route to the school designed in.

Infrastructure

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

Although I agree with much of it, the policy doesn't go far enough nor is it specific enough in terms of measureable objectives- I would like to see more electric vehicle facilities and walking/cycling much more encouraged throughout Medway. also a net reduction in journeys by car should be an aim
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I would hope to see air travel reduced to reduce noise pollution and air pollution as well as greenhouse gases.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
I would like to see a cycle hire scheme added

Please explain your response:
I would like to see a cycle hire scheme added

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
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Please explain your response:
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Minerals, waste and energy

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Please explain your response:
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Please explain your response:
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Please explain your response:
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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
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Please explain your response:
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Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
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General comments

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Vision for Medway 2035

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Disagree

Please explain your response:
It is good to see potential for Medway. The plan should be linked to linking Medway with the growth in London. Examples include Crossrail, from Abbey Wood there should be more speedier connections. More faster buses to Bluewater and other locations towards London as well. It is likely that people will choose Medway as the best location from London. The Thamesmead regeneration as well as other parts will price people out and Medway is an affordable choice. Finally an airport for the future, there was talk of Boris island which should turn into reality. In effect these plans should work with the regeneration going on in London.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
This can work so long as transport to and from London is improved, signs of this do exist such as the new Maidstone to Cambridge line, will trains run from Medway to Swanley more quicker? Similarly to Crossrail, will trains run more quicker to Abbey Wood.

Development options

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1 (most preferred)

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Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
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Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Improve the transport to and from London.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

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Urban regeneration and rural town

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Agree
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Agree

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
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Agree

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Agree

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Please explain your response:
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Agree

Please explain your response:
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Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
As advised before make the travel inks better with London.

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There needs to be better links to Abbey Wood due to Crossrail, we should be seen as an indirect link making Crossrail a link from Reading to Medway. Also with all routes and improvements being made in London.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 38
Name: Ed Grant
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Redevelop Chatham docks area
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do not ruin housing estates with poor disgusting people there

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Ban them

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Ban them

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?  
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?  
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?  
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?  
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The development of Lodge Hill will be contrary to the Vision, which states below that: ‘ensure that important wildlife and heritage assets are protected’. Lodge Hill is a nationally important Wildlife site. It is an asset to be protected and looked after for future generations. The site has SSSI status and development of the site could set a dangerous precedent across the country. The mitigation and compensation measures that would be necessary are untested and risky. The dispersal would never replace the uniqueness of Lodge Hill. Medway Council have not produced any option that does not include Lodge Hill. Please let this unique area remain.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Concern about development at Lodge Hill. The existing rail and road links do not favour development in this area. Could greater use be put to the opportunities offered by the river.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
People living where employment, culture and entertainment offered.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Living with pollution. Harder to access open spaces.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Halfway house to most things.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Poor for sustainable development.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Possible opportunity for community life.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The development of Lodge Hill will be contrary to the Vision, which states below that: ‘ensure that important wildlife and heritage assets are protected’. Lodge Hill is a nationally important Wildlife site. It is an asset to be protected and looked after for future generations. The site has SSSI status and development of the site could set a dangerous precedent across the country. The mitigation and compensation measures that would be necessary are untested and risky. The dispersal would never replace the uniqueness of Lodge Hill. Medway Council have not produced any option that does not include Lodge Hill. Please let this unique area remain. Little opportunity for sustainable transport and development.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Possible community opportunity, sustainable development and transport.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Loss of space around urban area

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Potential for higher rise could be explored in appropriate setting.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Would like to see alternatives to developing Lodge Hill.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Development of community based food production and recycling waste on land made available through the Council.

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Dislike out of town retail centres which detract from the town.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Community based food production.

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Would like to see more open space retained. Important for people to have access.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 40  
Name: Elaine Webb  
Type of respondent: Member of the public

**Vision for Medway 2035**

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?  
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
Don't agree that we can support 20% growth in population, Medway; streets are already crowded, the roads too packed, there is nowhere to park, Doctors, schools, hospitals etc cannot cope with current population. Increase in growth will exacerbate this problem.

**Strategic objectives**

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?  
Disagree

**Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:**
Current businesses are moving out due to night business rates and high parking charges in town centres. Don't think making the river a prominent feature will change the area.

**Development options**

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration  
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion  
3

Option 3 - A rural focus  
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town  
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.  
1 (most preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
There is no room for this amount of expansion!! The roads are already too busy, the infrastructure cannot cope. Any building would need to be completely away from these areas.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Lodge Hill has already been thrown out costing taxpayers money, why persue this again.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Rainham features heavily - this area is already too busy and cannot take more development.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Again lodge hill and Rainham - as before

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
There is no alternative. Medway is already too full and cannot cope as it is.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There is nowhere to put more houses, as before infrastructure cannot cope, roads are too busy.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
As has happened recently these people put caravans in parks etc without permission then leave tons of mess, which is left to taxpayers to clear up. You should be making stronger rules to deal with that rather than trying to house them.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
We don’t have room for more shops. There are plenty of empty ones in the high streets and at dockside.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No more homes, as before no infrastructure and already Medway cant cope.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Medway healthcare is at an all time low, the facilities are terrible and trying to get help is almost impossible. Adding more people to the area will make this worse.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There is no room for all these planned changes.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Buses are way too expensive. Roads are currently badly maintained and extremely busy at peak periods. Parking is expensive and often near impossible in some areas. Trains are too expensive and not really for local travel.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
This has been suggested before and didn't take off. Also not everyone is near the river.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

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Minerals, waste and energy

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

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Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 41
Name: ellie henderson
Type of respondent: Charity/Community/Faith Group

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

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Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

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Suburban expansion

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A rural focus

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Urban regeneration and rural town

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Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

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Employment

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Please explain your response:

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Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

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Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

We would wish to see an increase in tree cover. Trees help to bring streets to life; they can also help with water management issues and they can improve air quality.

Natural environment and green belt

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
We would wish to see ancient woodland protected and buffered from development. We would wish to see an aim to increase tree cover. This will help to address the issue of tree disease and helps with the urban heat island effect.

Built environment

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
We would wish to see more trees and woodland near where people live. This helps to provide physical and mental health benefits; for example reduced childhood asthma rates: http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/7374078.stm

Infrastructure

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
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**Sustainable transport**

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Disagree

Please explain your response:
Medway council do not care about the Hoo peninsula. I have lived here for nearly 10 years and over that time the amount of development has been excessive. Within all these development plans there is always supposedly consideration given to the environment however this is not true, there is just destruction of the land with the building of the highest concentration of houses possible. If you can get out into the surrounding countryside and the riverside areas it is beautiful and rich in wildlife however it is extremely difficult to do this without having to go on or cross very busy dangerous roads or encounter industrial areas. I feel this plan will again be large scale destruction of the natural environment with a few grass areas for the wildlife and cycle paths that lead nowhere or direct you along major roads. This plan will just serve to massively increase the population on the Hoo peninsula; destroy wildlife habitats and decrease wildlife numbers; decrease the quality of life for those of us who live here; increase crime levels with no consideration for local policing and put even more strain on the already busy and dangerous Four Elms Hill and Wainscott Bypass. It will simply be a depressing urban sprawl

Strategic objectives

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Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
But you HAVE to consider both sides of the Medway. There is a large emphasis on increasing the quality of life in the Chatham and Gillingham areas and in decreasing the quality of life in the Hoo Peninsula by just building ++++. The Hoo side do not benefit from the developments to the Chatham side as unless you can drive or are prepared to sit on a bus for a long time (and a lot of money) you cannot access it.

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Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
There could be a higher density of housing within the existing town centres therefore limiting damage to the surrounding countryside

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
There needs to be consideration to the employment developments on the Hoo Peninsula and what is beneficial to the area and it's residents and not just using it

Suburban expansion

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A rural focus

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Turning Hoo into a town and destroying this local area

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Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

The area around the marina in Hoo should be developed to bring it up to date with facilities and to make it more attractive to visitors along the riverbank and to wildlife.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
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**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is a rural area and this needs to be respected. The local farms and orchards should be supported as they are a vital part of the local area.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:
I do agree with limiting the number of restaurants/cafes in Rochester as this just seems to be the main thing in Rochester now which is a shame as there are some lovely independent shops and I think these should be encouraged. I regularly shop at Chatham and it can be a very depressing place to visit however there are some good mainstream shops e.g. Debenhams and Primark which are not at Bluewater and this what draws me to Chatham. The Pentagon centre seems quite disjointed with the toy shop and JD sports as well as a few other shops up on the top level but it is often very quiet up there compared to the lower floor. In my opinion the previous redevelopment of the town centre did help partly to open up the high street and make it feel more welcoming however I think the plans need to continue and to be bold to update the High Street. Consideration also needs to be given to Parking as one of the draws of Bluewater for those of us from the West of Medway is also the free parking. Although I live close to Strood I do not visit it as I find it difficult to park in other than if I am visiting the retail park out of peak times. (I am not prepared to pay for parking in Strood as I do not feel there is any value in money in doing this to visit there). The High Street is also completely cut by the A2 and high density traffic which does not make it appealing. However unfortunately, I do not think this in an area that can be changed.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
It seems like lies. You say that you want to protect these areas to a high degree but then you want to build the Lodge Hill development!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The Kent Downs is a beautiful area that should be protected. However the Hoo Peninsular is also a unique and wildlife diverse area that should also be protected to the same degree.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
You cannot expect people not to have cars. There is not the public transport available. There is NO choice but to drive

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

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Infrastructure

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

You need to consider access to Chatham for turning Hoo into a town those people that cannot drive. The only way to get there from the peninsula is via Strood Rochester, Chatham town centre and down to the dock area on a bus which takes too long. There needs to be another point of access across the Medway for walkers/cyclists who are not able to use the Medway tunnel

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

There are already underused areas. Deangate athletics track and tennis courts are hardly used and the clubs that do use it are on a small scale and voluntary basis so it is not widely advertised. Also in order to access this unless you drive you have to cross the peninsula way and then walk along the fast narrow road to access the club. You really should look into this. ALL athletic activity in Medway seems to be focused over at Medway Park in Gillingham - this is not easy for everyone to get to. There is also not enough made of the local spaces and there also needs to be consideration that not everyone wants their leisure areas that well controlled and want to be able to access the countryside- there are a lot of footpaths which could do with being cleared or more clearly marked.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
As Medway is a strong tidal river is there any potential to harness some of this power for electricity generation?

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
There needs to be very careful consideration of the Lower Thames Crossing and the effect this will have on Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
It feels at present as though the River Medway and its surrounding riverside is neglected. More should be made of it and very careful consideration should be given to developments along it. This includes the industry developments planned at Grain and Kingsnorth. The riverside should be a welcoming place to go for a walk or other leisure activities and not a walk through an industrial site - at present this is what you get at Hoo! These developments cannot be undone so they need to be well planned in the first place. Maybe the council should see how other riverside towns manage this correctly.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
In the light of a number of recent deaths in the River Medway, due care should be given to safety around it especially in areas where there are a high number of bars and nightclubs.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

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Agree

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General comments

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Disagree

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This is regarding the Hoo peninsula: There is an appalling lack of infrastructure in the already overdeveloped village of Hoo. Statements suggest providing this infrastructure but nothing comes of it. Statements also suggest cultivating our countryside and promoting opportunities for outdoor activities, and yet the council agrees to houses being built on football pitches and a cricket ground in Hoo. There are problems with the road into and out of Hoo, it hardly copes with the present amount of traffic. the sewers need upgrading, in fact all our utilities need upgrading, there are not enough school places, the 2 doctors surgeries cannot cope, there is no effective police presence. There is a lack of understanding from the council as to how this is affecting Hoo. It is becoming a town, along with all the problems this brings, which in turn lowers the pride many long term residents have for Hoo.

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Please explain your response:
the council has to tackle the following issues: 1. the private rented sector is a growing sector and each of the landlords has to be seen as a separate business and will act individually rather than as a collective 2. Lack of affordability (to buy) for housing as now a commuter belt with fast access to London (HS1) 3. Economy is weak and unemployment is high. 4. Medway is No 5 in list of areas with greatest growth of rents

Strategic objectives

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Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
The objectives are fine it is the process in the delivery of them.

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Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
We do not have a preference, each landlord will be different and will require different options. There is a housing crisis and the council needs to look at building as many houses for all types of people, this includes the PRS. The need to build all types of house's in all areas.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
The policy is a failure to see the private rented sector as an outcome, and is seen as a temporary solution. there is a need for the council to review the documents to look at how people will be living there whole life in private rented housing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
you fail to understand the future growth of the private rented sector, the failure of social housing to deliver housing will mean that there is an increased need to work with the private rented sector.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Student accommodation is an important housing tenure, price will determine where students live. This can be seen elsewhere in the UK, purpose built student accommodation can price itself out of the market. Thus students will move elsewhere to cheaper accommodation.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
HMO's play an important aspect in housing people especially with the high cost of housing to limit supply is a folly by the council. The changes to welfare mean that there is a need for HMO's.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
this section highlights the failure to look at the private rented sector, the failure to see it as a housing tenure of choice.

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water fronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 45
Name: George Atzev
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I believe that investment in infrastructure and housing is vital to meet the needs for the rapid population growth of Medway.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
At the moment, quality of living is quite poor and the places that people live in aren't suitable, so they would have a lack of pride in where they live.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The demolition or refurbishment of existing empty buildings and construction on brownfield sites would open up opportunities for regeneration in urban areas, whilst assist towards boosting investment in the towns and pursue vision of thriving settlements.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Infrastructure that is already in place may not be suitable for urban regeneration, leading to further problems that are already present across Medway.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Less of an impact on nature and more opportunities to maximise potential for expansion.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
More opportunities for young people to buy accommodation is needed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 46  
Name: Gill Goode  
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:  
Am unsure the infrastructure will cope with the planned rise in population; particularly transport and health services. Concerned about environmental losses which affect recreational areas as well as biodiversity.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration  
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus  
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town  
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order  
Chatham needs urgent regeneration. Redeveloping areas like the Medway City Estate to include some housing could help reduce transport problems. The increasing population need countryside to escape too and for recreation so this should be maintained without development where possible.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
High density housing near retail and employment areas. The elderly and the young want to live near facilities so this works well for them. Chatham needs radical investment to improve it.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Loss of green spaces

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Loss of green spaces

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Best of all ideas.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Loss of green spaces

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Ferry across Medway would be great for pedestrians and cyclists who cannot use the tunnel. No mention of HGVS...I think it is very important to restrict them to primary routes as much as possible with better signage eg not through Borstal; they should use A228 or A229 to head south from Medway. Link cycleways with neighbouring authorities eg Rochester to Maidstone along the east bank of the river Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Cycleway to Maidstone along the east bank of the river Medway.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Agree that most people want to park at the front of their house, and agree with the need for van parking. Also need to limit pavement parking in new developments.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 47
Name: Glenda Attwood
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I think that after reading your vision for the next twenty years are very 'pie in the sky' and wishful thinking.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
The main reason my least option on Rural expansion is mainly infrastructure, areas around the south of Medway, I.e. Hempstead, Wigmore and Capstone.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
There are areas in the Towns that should be considered for demolition, with new well planned housing.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I support the development of areas at Lodge Hill and Hoo.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support the development of areas to the south of Medway.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The idea of a rural development at Hoo is fundamentally good in that the infrastructure is currently in place.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
I think that the biggest problem in Medway is Medway City Estate. It is in the wrong place. Over the years it has been allowed to develop, so consequently housing has built up around it. Medway’s asset is the River, followed by the Dockyard. If you were to consider relocating the Industries on the Business park you would be left with a sizable area of immense potential and outlook. And, dare I say it, the very well designed Bus Station was also built in the wrong place. Again this area is by the River which had huge potential, has been lost to further development. It was a crazy situation, people busing into the Town, get off and walk the other way. This area would have been a great hub, along with across the River a redesigned business park. Take a look at other cities in the UK and around the world, they are all developing their river frontages, until these areas are addressed then Medway will have a very disjointed town.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Although there needs to be future consideration to affordable housing, I think that this is quite a debatable area. Currently there is a need for affordable housing but for the future I have mixed opinions.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
There should be more warden assisted homes for the elderly. There should be small, maybe gated areas, set aside for elderly residents. The type on the lines they have in America. With maybe a visiting GP and clinic. McCarthy and Stone are building some fabulous developments across the Country but none are planned for Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Medway is no place for the traveling community.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This is a difficult one to agree. Fundamentally the proposals are good but it still comes down to enhancing the Towns in to a desirable place to live. Currently this is not the case.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?  
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?  

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?  

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
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**Respondent ID:** 48  
**Name:** Graeme Baldwin  
**Type of respondent:** Charity/Community/Faith Group

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?  
Agree

**Please explain your response:**  
Its simple common sense to keep going the direction we have started in

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?  
Agree

**Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:**

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

- **Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**  
  1 (most preferred)

- **Option 2 - Suburban expansion**  
  3

- **Option 3 - A rural focus**  
  4

- **Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town**  
  2

**Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.**  
5 (least preferred)

**Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:**  
I believe that there is strong logic to developing the waterside communities with both mid and high density accommodation. However there is also a very strong case for building an 'rural' town on the Peninsula so that places such as Allhallows can be included in the greater planning for future developments.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The redevelopment of Medway City Estate into a mixed use residential setting.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I would make some sense to develop the towns already present

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The loss of Capstone valley in significant parts

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Enlarged Hoo makes sense strategically for longer term development locally

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This is a sensible incremental development,

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Capstone valley development particularly and the fact that almost all gradual developments get lost and stalled leaving a fudge which will not work on the Medway city Estate which could be a master stroke to modernising the river scene for the whole town

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We do have to consider strategic caps on the number of student lets within key wards as this is already have significant impacts on community cohesion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Medway has an unfairly bad reputation for being a 'bit of a dump' but it does have such potential to be so much more with its mix of waterfronts and countryside along with heritage attractions and a diverse population. As long as the development taking place does not leave some of the poorer areas (such as Gillingham and Luton) behind.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Better retail and leisure offer to provide jobs and a better economy for Medway. Less impact on green spaces.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Parking and infrastructure is already under pressure so this needs to be taken into consideration

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
There is space in these areas to further develop and to provide better facilities to those living within the suburbs.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The potential for smaller towns to lose their identity and community feel if they become too large and faceless.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Space to develop sensitively and with higher quality.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Infrastructure improvements required to support development will have a huge environmental impact.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
A good mixture of both urban regeneration and rural expansion which has a better balanced impact on the environment, whilst providing much needed development.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We need housing, no point ignoring it!
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
If there is a sound evidence base for the needs assessment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
More affordable housing is needed. I myself live in a shared ownership scheme which enabled me to get on the housing ladder. Landlords need to be better regulated as there are too many that are making a lot of money at the detriment of vulnerable people and not using their profits to improve conditions.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
An aging population, along with people working longer in life, means that people are less able to care for family members in later life due to their own commitments.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As long as parking is considered, many students are bringing cars with them and are not willing to pay for permits so are using any unregulated areas inconsiderately.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As long as the proper facilities are put in place and illegal mooring is clamped down on.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
More job opportunities are needed in Medway, we have a high student population and we need to do more to retain them in employment within Medway after graduation.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
We need more places for people to visit with boats and to stay in motorhomes / caravans on holidays.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
We need more places for people to visit with boats and to stay in motorhomes / caravans on holidays.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
our high streets are actually quite well supported but can be better, they are not always welcoming and of an evening can feel threatening.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We desperately need improved hospital facilities as the current site at Medway Maritime is struggling to cope with numbers. Better use of the space on the site would be a start.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We need more school places and the quality of our schools needs to continue to improve

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Community hubs are a good starting point but more needs to be done to encourage integration between the different ethnic groups. A diverse mix of people live in Medway and more needs to be done to make this a positive thing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
better broadband for all.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
the obesity crisis in Medway is a ticking timebomb and more needs to be done to make sport affordable and accessible to all.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
improved and more affordable public transport provision is needed to encourage people to leave their cars at home.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree
Please explain your response:
We are not currently using the river to its full potential.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Significant investment is needed to keep existing access facilities open but this is not always forthcoming.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:
More mooring provision is required to discourage the illegal mooring of poorly maintained and uninsured vessels around various points on the river.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
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Respondent ID: 50
Name: Hazel Williams
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I am concerned that the plan is not ambitious enough in the area of regeneration or health provision. I am also concerned that there is not a specific direction for the new types of jobs necessary. The other areas of concern is the lack of vision for the high streets outside of Chatham

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:
The rural focus appears just to be about housing. There is a need to build a proper rural infrastructure and also deal with the death of the high streets. If there was a plan for investment in a specific sector like health or education then there should be a plan to regenerate all the high streets with Council led initiatives. like Thanet there could be
rate holidays and events such as craft markets etc. There is too much concern for Rochester and little thought on how to revive the fortunes of the other towns.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Not too much of it as I think it should be more challenging. There also needs to the a transport plan that includes provision for parking of commercial vehicles off-street like in Jasper in Canada.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Housing

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Loss of green space and not enough thought about the people who will live here. More health provision and activities for both young and older people. Need to think about the best way to attract graduates to stay.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Housing outside the towns. Developments that can bring life to the villages

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

The location of business as it only relocates low paid jobs. Need to decide what types of business to attract and not leave it to the market.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Again not enough in it to benefit all long term. Too much focus on housing not enough on the People

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

No strategy to attract high quality jobs. Need to decide what sort of jobs should we attract. Health or education based. There is a historical heritage but that appears to be left to the market not trying to build on it. Some thought about decent tourism across all the towns is required. Again no thought through approach.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Decide on what business sector to concentrate on and attract high profile companies and those who support them. Civic leadership required
Local Plan approach to policy development

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?  

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?  

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?  
Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?  
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Need to decide what sort of industry to attract. Need to stimulate local economy in the towns
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There is no evidence of a rural economy that is sustainable. Most is outside Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Need to build on historical roots and possibly use to drive new high quality offer. Problem is that visitors do not stay to spend money as the retail and food offer is poor quality. Need to attract more upmarket companies and hotels.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Would appear that the Council is content with three star hotels. Nothing to attract higher spending visitors even if they were staying in Medway to travel to Canterbury or London.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Need to improve offer across the towns. This has to be done by incentives for good quality shops and food outlets. Currently too many poor quality take away outlets.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Need to rethink parking provision across the towns. Look at Canadian model for commercial vehicles. Could reuse park and ride facilities for out of town parking overnight.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The last consideration did not produce much benefit and there appears to be no real plan to use heritage to either educate or regenerate. I know the universities have come but there is little evidence that the historical buildings are being used effectively. Some lottery funding has improved the infrastructure but there needs to be bettthinking about how these buildings and their history can bring more prosperity.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Need leadership to create a healthy community. Will require a new hospital and health centres across the borough. This could drive investment it there was joined up thinking about what industries support health. Need incentive for major firms to relocate research to be associated with the new hospital.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Please explain your response:
Need improved train services to the peninsula. Reopen old lines and possibly invest in light rail. Need more train services to London. Even shoeburyness has trains to London every 15 minutes. Also need link across to Essex to relieve the Dartford crossing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:
See my earlier comment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 51  
Name: Heidi Butcher  
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
If more local people were positive about Medway as a place to live these aspirations would be achieved - there is so much potential here but not always appreciated by local people

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Medway recognised for its quality of life is an important objective that has been overlooked previously, for the quality of our services to improve we need to attract professionals to want to live and work in Medway.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
This is what I would expect from a city and Medway is aiming for City status
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I agree this will be a radical approach but the river needs to come alive and be built around, the town centres need to be developed offering the local consumer a satisfactory alternative to Blue Water and a new modern stadium for Gillingham football club would immediately improve areas within Gillingham including the high street huge potential for Mill Hill

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I agree with development around Rainham, Capstone & Strood, expansion of Hoo, smaller scale growth of villages

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I am unsure as to whether i support or don't support Lodge Hill, this is because i don't feel currently adequately informed on the subject

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I support the expansion of Hoo into a small rural town, also the expansion to include villages on the Hoo peninsula, there is a lot of potential here, for example i hear residents describe living in the rural parts as being disconnected and far out from services, transport is poor as is internet connection etc, this is an area i would like to live but hearing comments like this puts me off, the idea of village life but one that is connected is an option i fully support

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Regeneration Chatham Docks, Medway City Estate, Chatham & Strood waterfront, central areas, Mill Hill, renewal in Twydall

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Starter Homes- lets encourage our local students to continue to live and work in Medway with access to housing that adapts financially as their career develops. Flexible accommodation for the elderly, that again can easily be adapted to the needs of the individual and by adapted I don't mean physical adaptations, i mean extra- care packages available as the needs change

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It’s necessary in order to achieve the strategic vision

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Yes, this area lacks many professionals, nurses, teachers, social workers to name but a few, if starter home incentives were available for newly qualified professionals who have yet to achieve their full salary potential, this could encourage a fresh new breed of professionals to remain in the area, rather than look elsewhere.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Absolutely, accommodation such as some of the assisted living buildings, these were very popular in Margate along Cliftonville sea front, where people have their own apartments but can increase their care needs as and when they need to, a better option than remaining in a house that will be difficult to adapt if necessary. There are many terraced houses in Medway some built on steep hills that you can just see will never be able to be adapted to meet any health needs etc

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Yes i have already mentioned this,

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
These are difficult to run by providers the neighbourhood they are within is always negatively affected

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Chatham should be developed a lot of potential here as it hosts the bus station, this is a central point  Gillingham High Street needs to be developed if its to be attractive to students  Rochester High Street is successful  Hempstead Valley is convenient

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
i agree with the approach but this will need to involve co production in order to get this right

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Tourism opportunities

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Yes agree, currently health & care plans are being devised across kent and medway, the system is currently broken, the local authority needs to work with the health and education sector to focus on the benefits of living and working as a health professional in medway

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Absolutely necessary

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This will make current areas of poor connectivity much more attractive to either work, live or run a business from

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water fronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Development is necessary within Medway to continue to provide sufficient housing, employment and associated infrastructure is provided moving forward through the Plan Period to meet the needs of the local population. Sites which are available and ready for development should be supported to ensure the objectively assessed need for Medway can be reasonably met within the Plan Period. Hoo St Werburgh offers an ideal opportunity to provide an enhanced sustainable service centre with improved links, services and facilities to meet the requirements of local residents and surrounding smaller rural communities.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
It is considered that these 4 objectives can best be met through Scenario 4 which brings together urban and rural development opportunities.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
4

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
5 (least preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Option 4 is the best Option as it offers an opportunity for a mix of urban and rural development which has the best potential to meet the OAN. Option 3 offers an opportunity for the expansion of specific rural settlements, centered around Hoo St Werburgh and recognises the opportunity to create a sustainable mixed development with suitable associated supporting infrastructure in an area largely free from strategic environmental constraints and with potential for a smaller number of landowners, reducing the complexities of development in this context. Additionally, it accepts that Hoo St Werburgh's existing infrastructure has capacity to accommodate further growth of this scale. Option 2 promotes some 2,000 new dwellings at Hoo St Werburgh and whilst this may not make the best use of an opportunity to create a highly sustainable well serviced settlement that Options 4 or 3 could encourage, it would enable some development to come forward in this location to meet the OAN. Option 1 is restricted by past history of the difficulty of site accumulation within existing built up areas and is constrained through the likely involvement of large numbers of individual land ownerships together with constraints of space available, impact on existing developments and occupiers and whether such development would meet the tests of viability. Option 5 presents an unknown.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Option 1 recognises the need for new development in Medway.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The proposals outlined in Option 1 place too much reliance on redevelopment within the urban areas, where historically, Medway have under delivered due to a mix of existing constraints. Option 1 recognises this history and notes that to carry forward this Option would be 'challenging'. Looking at deliverability, given the inability for the urban area solely to provide sufficient provision to meet the OAN in the past, it is likely that Option 1 would not meet the test of soundness and that the scheme would not meet the estimated 10,500 new units within the Plan Period.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The proposals promote the development of 2,000 units at Hoo St Werburgh and this element of Option 2 is supported.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Option 2 does not provide the opportunities to adequately meet the OAN that Option 4 does in that it splits development in a manner that will impact upon infrastructure delivery and some of the locations are restricted by environmental constraints. The document also refers to the potential for conflict between the scale of development necessary and potential impact on existing communities through the creation of unsustainable travel patterns and the detraction of investment from regeneration areas.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This Option recognises the ability of Hoo St Werburgh to provide an expanded settlement properly served by improved infrastructure, including new community facilities and services. The land around Hoo St Werburgh is largely free from strategic environmental constraints which is helpful in bringing forward development in a timely
manner. The improvement of services and facilities at Hoo St Werburgh would also be beneficial to a number of existing surrounding villages.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
It does not promote the additional use of existing available sites within the urban area that may be proven to be available and deliverable through the Examination.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This Option brings together key opportunities for development across urban, suburban and rural areas, providing a mix of development opportunity that is most likely to be delivered within the Plan Period. It avoids reliance on the redevelopment of the Medway City Estate in particular, which has been recognised as having issues regarding the ability to deliver within the Plan Period. Its suburban proposals avoid urban sprawl and facilitate a sustainable level of travel, avoiding the release of Green Belt land. The proposed expansion of Hoo St Werburgh with some 6,500 dwellings will enhance and improve upon the existing facilities, improving infrastructure and creating a highly sustainable settlement. This Option recognises the need to deliver on housing provision to meet the OAN within the Plan Period whilst providing opportunity for some regeneration of existing town centres. Importantly it recognises that Hoo St Werburgh is the most sustainable greenfield location within Medway Borough area and will improve the sustainability of communities within the wider area through improved infrastructure and service provision.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The Policy Approach wording should be strengthened to state 'The council will provide' rather than 'seek to provide'. A housing figure has been identified and in accordance with the NPPF, the Council should provide sufficient land to meet that need. Given the history of lack of delivery, additional housing buffer should also be accommodated in the amount of land identified for allocation.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The mix will be determined by local need.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Due to the still emerging state of affordable housing/starter homes in Government policy, it is difficult to provide comment at this stage.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is to be determined by local need.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Option 4 will provide the Medway area with a balanced approach to the provision of suitable employment sites.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Sustainable development and farm diversification are promoted through the NPPF as acceptable forms of development without the need for additional demonstration that such developments must ‘demonstrate positive benefits’. the words ‘where the proposals can demonstrate positive benefits’ should be deleted.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The general principle of seeking to strengthen and enhance provision within settlements is supported. Hoo St Werburgh is recognised to serve its resident community and the communities of smaller surrounding settlements and as a Service Centre Hoo St Werbergh should accommodate a suitable level of new retail provision to meet the needs of the larger settlement.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The Council, in collaboration with other north Kent planning authorities, propose to introduce a defined tariff contribution based policy to address potential damage to designated habitats from population increases and development within 6km of areas designated as SPA and Ramsar sites. This is supported but early information on the tariff level is requested to provide a level of certainty to developers who are considering the viability of sites for development.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Green Infrastructure provision is an integral part of larger schemes such as Option 4. Requirements should be commensurate with the scale of the development.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The Policy approach includes a requirement for the design to be 'characteristic of Medway'. This is unclear. This presents a rather narrow approach to design and does not make room for new and innovative designs that may not be 'characteristic of Medway'. Design is subjective and what is suitable in one location may not be suitable somewhere else but the policy approach should seek to assess design on its quality and whether it would result in harm in any particular circumstance.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree
Please explain your response:
The development at Hoo St Werburgh as part of Option 4 will enable the provision of new and suitable infrastructure to be provided to benefit both existing and proposed residents.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:
The development at Hoo St Werburgh as part of Option 4 will enable the provision of new schools to be provided to meet local need and expand choice.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 53a
Name: howard henbest
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The Medway Towns is an over crowded & densely populated urban area where the infrastructure cannot manage what is already in a desperate situation. Where is the new hospital going? Where are the new roads & river crossings? The meaning of sustainable development is an oxymoron. Central Government & Regional Planners should be looking to move any new population increases to less congested parts of the UK. Most of the houses built in Medway over the last 50 years have been taken up by people moving from London because of high house prices.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
The roads are in a wretched state, nearly every residential or arterial street is in need of urgent repair, most of which need a complete resurface. What quality of life will there be when houses & factories are added to an already over populated area. More now will mean even more in the future. Look back to some of our surrounding environment already lost to urban development. Just 2 examples Parkwood & Lordswood.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on. 
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Sustainable development does not mean building on sites of SSSI. that's what they are there for. OXYMORON. Rural settings will be further eroded by urban expansion with a rural town? in Hoo.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Waterside development is ok as long as it is done sensibly, and seeing what has gone before I am not optimistic of a good outcome. Small crowded houses with no gardens & no parking spaces for at least 2 cars per household never mind trade vehicles & trailers etc.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support over crowded developments of small impractical houses only fit for hamsters with no provision for the parking needs of the modern family unit. This requires at least 2 spaces & maybe 3 if you include trade vehicles.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
If the development is built on brown field sites with sensible type houses & not crammed in just to maximise the developers profits & make the majority of them affordable social units for our local people & not Londoners.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
My fear is that the reverse of the above will happen & that further mass expansion will occur in the future. Just look what happened to London over the last 200years, a creeping urban sprawl that could happen in Medway. Still not to worry you or I will not be around to see it.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Again sensible development on brown field sites that does not impinge on nature reserves or valuable farm land is ok, & that the houses are offered to local people first.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not agree with the development of Lodge Hill or making Hoo into another huge housing estate, because calling it a rural town is just flannel.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This option is at least reducing the amount of urban sprawl & considering travel patterns for both road & rail users. The emphasis on improving our town centres would be welcome by everyone especially Chatham.
Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The only option to mention considering infrastructure.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Yes water supply for the expanding S. EAST. In view of mass development across Kent not just in Medway, but in Shepeey, Sittingbourne, Ashford, Maidstone, Canterbury, & Thanet. The last reservoir built in the S.EAST was Bewl Bridge in 1978. The other option is to go back to central government & regional planners & get them to move development to the North or West. The M2, A2 A20, M20 & M25 are already at saturation point.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Too much development

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
as long as it is for local people on the housing list

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
more are needed

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
no they look untidy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
note they clutter up the river banks

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Have you seen some of them?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:

No they are anti social people who leave places in a disgusting state. I refer you to the Vines

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Yes stop keep building in the S.EAST

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development? 
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy? 
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism? 
Agree

Please explain your response:

Yes as long as the towns improves its image.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation? 
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres? 
Agree
Please explain your response:
Chatham town centre is in dire need of revitalising its image. That awful looking Pentagon has got to go.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
More elderly care needed to relieve hospitals.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Obviously the more you build the less open space you will have.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Medway waste disposal policy is excellent.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
It sounds like a done deal to me & you will do what you or the government wants anyway.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Airport expansion will bring more noise & pollution

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Our streets are already congested with parked vehicles

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
the s.east is reaching saturation point in every aspect when you consider the number of houses being built, not just in Medway, but Ashford, Canterbury Sheppy, Maidstone, Sittingbourne & Thanet. The infrastructure is failing already with our roads congested, hospitals unable to cope & schools over crowded. Its time central government & regional planners moved future developments to less populated areas of the country.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water fronts and river access?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Suburban expansion
Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus
Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town
Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development
Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
More noise & more pollution, just leave the airfield as it is please.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Our streets are becoming increasingly more congested with parked vehicles. A large number of these are trade vans & trucks which in my opinion should have a dedicated secure park to free up space on our side streets.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 54
Name: Ian McCormick
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Read it and understand the need for a plan that takes into account future requirements.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
There is a need to take all the points into consideration for any future plan and these objectives make sense.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
All maximum use must be made of the urban 'landscape' before other options are considered.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Firstly the use of and regeneration of the waterfront sites then the use of other areas which must include Lodge Hill.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
A new hospital site must come way ahead of any consideration for a new football stadium!

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
It OK as a back up plan.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
The highway network would be its 'Achilles heel' - not sure this could be successfully done.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Not a lot.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
Not sure this plan has any kudos, and misses out on the development of the waterfront areas available.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I don't support any of this option, other than the development of Lodge Hill.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
I don't support any of this option

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
No comments.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Like the 'care home' elements for the elderly.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The plan must include adequate NHS facilities including a new hospital to take us forward into a modern age. If this means waiting until a feasible authoritative NHS Plan is available then so be it....

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
These plans should not even be considered. There is hardly any green countryside left for people, children, animals to enjoy. We should not have to all live on top of each other. We have already lost too much countryside but what kind of place are we all going to live in if you get rid of it all. Capstone Valley is a beautiful area for anyone to enjoy, why ruin that with more houses, more strain on the area and more crime.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:
Hempstead has always been away the centre of anything and that is way most of us live here for a quite life and to be able to go for a walk in the surrounding area. This is the way we want to live and bring up our children. Although I would like to see more jobs for our children and employment opportunities. I feel there are panty of other areas that can be developed before the beautiful spot that is Capstone Valley. Quality of life is important and the area will
become a just another stressful, traffic jammed sprawl if this goes ahead. Hempstead will lose it identity and just become an extension of Chatham. Concentrate on bringing quality well paid work to the area before just ramming more people in to every available space in the area.

**Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I am afraid I do not support this at all. Its the wrong space to tarmac over.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
This will ruin the very thing that is Hempstead and why we live here.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I cant park at Rainham station. I commute to London 2 times a week and try to miss the rush hour. There are a few spaces left when I arrive. How will these people commute?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Well paid jobs should be made, not just move minimum wage jobs from local shops to shopping centres. Who will buy these houses? No one on minimum wage can afford them so they will be brought up by investors, profit taken by greedy landlords and a with no investment or pride in the area we will end up with just another area of low wage low employment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

I would like to have an area to walk. This will go.

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments
Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
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Respondent ID: 56
Name: Jason Murphy
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
This is dribble. What is required on paper but quite frankly none of what is detailed in the 'vision' will happen. We want to see the numbers. How much will be spent on each area, what new infrastructure will be provided in the more rural villages etc.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
We do not want our small rural villages turned into a 'riverside city'

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
4

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No redevelopment to the rural areas of Medway, such as the hoo peninsula. We are already massively oversubscribed for the population expansion

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Build low cost housing estates in the bigger towns. Not in the rural areas

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There are other ways to achieve this rather than over building the countryside

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments
Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I do not know anyone who could not agree with such a vision. However, it is exactly that, a vision. Full of worthy statements, bold proclamations and socially acceptable phrases. I have no doubt that all of these statements are genuinely believed by those who oversaw the draft plan and I am equally sure that they will work to achieve them. But it is like all mission statements of its ilk - pompous and impossible to quantify. I would have suggested not bothering, except for the fact that everyone will be doing one of these promising streets paved with gold and hot & cold running platinum for all. It is what it is, but it still makes me want to cringe.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
What will be interesting to see is how all of the different local & regional plans dovetail together.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
5 (least preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

I would like to see more concentrated student housing (a la Halls of Residence) included.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

I agree, although I think that you woefully underestimate the extent of multiple occupation in the Towns.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Whilst I agree with the plan, I'm afraid that the success of this part of the plan will be wholly reliant on improving the reputation and impression of the Towns. Retailers wish to associate with success - look at what happened to the Tesco proposals in Dartford.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
I am saying no opinion simply because what is in the document is the usual platitudes and woolly statements trotted out again. attempting to improve air quality by 'restricting development' is a wholly inadequate response when you have no workable plan to improve the air quality assuming NO further development.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
The words are worthy. They also mean nothing without seeing the specifics. I don't think any council will be writing that they intend to build 100 storey tower blocks, made out of cardboard and with a view only of their neighbours' wall. Plus the usual old claptrap regarding not allowing the car to dominate the space The way that you prevent the car from dominating the space is by giving people viable alternatives and then turning the screws a bit. You do not achieve it by penalizing them for using the only viable method of transport that they have - because we can see that it doesn't work.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I only disagree with one part of the plan. But, unfortunately, it's the biggest part and regards the Medway Maritime Hospital. You still appear to be unable or stubbornly unwilling to see the undeniable. You do not have the option of redeveloping the existing site OR moving to a new location. You must look at the existing site AND build a new hospital at a new location. That is unless you can identify a site suitable to build a development with a capacity of AT LEAST 150% bigger than the current site - and I'm pretty sure that you can't. You need to keep the Medway for elective and long-term care and build Medway-2 as a new state of the art acute and emergency facility.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Actions speak louder than words. Your words have historically been good, your actions historically woeful. Start on the basis of a minimum 50% increase in traffic movements and work forwards from there.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Please see my comments regarding car parking and housing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

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Respondent ID: 58
Name: Jolyon Elsmore
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The vision is just that, an aspiration for the future. If we could succeed in all the aims; we would have done much to improve lives and prospects of local residents.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
We must surely all agree with these objectives. The challenge will be to deliver them.

Development options

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Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
3

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:
Medway is hampered by its geography with the river and estuary to the North and the motorway to the South. Corridors and river crossings mean big transport problems unless we grasp the nettle and create a larger, connected and well served community on the Grain Peninsula. Other areas will have to be developed but nowhere else could be made as agreeable to live in. Any big development elsewhere would create gridlock and congestion.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Lodge Hill and some further development on Grain, avoiding further congestion and gridlock and providing attractive living environments. Development to the East of Rainham, which should provide good connections and space for attractive developments. Some housing presumably on City Estate, which must mean necessary improvements to traffic access but which would provide river views.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
It is hard to see how a football stadium at Mill Hill would not produce even more problems for match day access. Most newer grounds of this type result in fans abandoning cars on major thoroughfares to avoid immediate post match congestion. There is no sensible strategy to deliver several thousand people by car to single events. We should be looking to change how fans travel and to offer incentives instead. This area would be better dedicated to housing, if it is to be developed. The extended urban regeneration is definitely desirable.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The fuller development of Grain Penninsula, which is essential to make any serious progress in providing larger scale and desirable housing. Rainham and Strood can both stand further development if infrastructure is improved. Both already have good connections and would provide good services and popular living spaces.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Capstone is not a suitable area for much expansion. It is an essential green lung and would never connect well if developed. It is hard to envisage the level of development shown in Lower Rainham. The Lower Rainham Road is often gridlocked for long periods and there are severable, unavoidable pinch points.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The Lodge Hill and Hoo St Werburgh developments and the extended villages. A well funded and designed project could really deliver good results for existing and new residents.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Capstone Valley should be preserved as a green amenity and would anyway present access problems. A football stadium at Mill Hill would deliver little, or nothing for the community and I speak as a Gillingham fan. It would not solve the problem of matchday congestion, ask Northampton, Wycombe, or Scunthorpe but would displace it. If we are to develop this area housing would provide more benefit.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Building at higher densities in waterfront and urban centres in Chatham & Strood. Good in itself this would also provide the opportunity to improve the retail spaces and refresh the town centres. Lodge Hill & Hoo St Werburgh essential as stated in previous responses. Cautious welcome for renewal in Twydall but not at the expense of large
scale demolition and higher densities. This development was well planned and executed and still delivers many benefits. Regeneration rather than redevelopment.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I see no value in further development at Capstone (I don’t live there).

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is hard to disagree with the overall policy in the face of projected population growth and changing households. The policy looks good but delivery is all.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
I have not noticed any policy approach. Given the position and geography of Medway this is an area that could be used to attract some superior houseboat opportunities. We have local houseboat builders, who provide high end units that sell in London.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
A minor point but it is entirely possible that the bedroom tax will be changed at some point in the future. It might be shortsighted to commit to more single room accommodation.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
There is demand and it increases the likelihood of providing homes that people actually want to live in. It might also provide some much needed diversity to the housing stock. We should be thinking of promoting, encouraging and contacting groups, who wish to build their own way out of housing need.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We have legal obligations, long standing local communities and a moral duty to include all our people in the plan.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
I agree in general but the nature of employment is changing at bewildering speed. It would be dangerous to provide too much conventional space and we should allow ourselves time and room to react to new developments. Some of the new employment can be located almost anywhere and a key factor will be to attract higher educated people to the area. Some careful attention to urban centres and the quality of housing and environment might play a part. It is not just work that people travel to. Medway needs a stronger art and culture offer and some places that just look more attractive.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This is an important sector for Medway providing food and employment. It is hard to overestimate the pull factor of living in an area with so many orchards, fruit growing and trees. We are close to internationally renowned research facilities and as stated leaving the EU may mean that home production will have to be promoted.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The case is well put and a keen attention to tourism can pay bigger dividends. The improvements to general environment, to trails and cycleways, to art, culture, music and history attract visitors, who may become residents. In any event it improves the living environment for everybody.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
I don't feel qualified to comment much on this issue.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Generally seems a measured approach and Chatham is the only viable large scale centre. I am concerned when plans are mooted to for instance reboot Gillingham town centre, which I use regularly. It attracts good numbers, many of whom come on foot. The problem is that customers are in the main relatively poorly off. It would be easy to exclude them without attracting the better off. I agree that students might provide some new focus. I believe that this is occurring slowly and any development other than street improvement should proceed slowly. Budgens is a poor site and it is unclear whether the present store will succeed. Linking the two retail halves of Styrood, together with addressing traffic issues and improving the general appearance are essential measures.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
If larger development goes ahead in and around Rainham some thought will need to be given to expanding and improving retail

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is important to monitor and protect the estuary particularly

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Desirable in itself and important to encourage access by the least intrusive methods of travel

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agree in general but not very specific. We need to think seriously about the visual attractiveness of all of Medway. Centuries of industry and military have ignored this fundamental. This is not just aesthetic but impacts on the willingness of people to live and work in Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
I don't feel qualified to comment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Just not strong enough. Has any work been done on the effect of shipping on air quality in Medway? Unless we address the issue of excessive car use we will never improve air quality. We have some good cycleways but the system needs extending and integrating. A number of local residents already use electric bicycles but a visit to any German, Dutch, or Belgian town shows very large numbers of seriously elderly residents travelling this way. Active intervention, proper investment and more provision together with slowing the car traffic across the area.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The policy approach is good as far as it goes but is far too functional. We need to consider every action and development as to how it will look and how it can improve visual appeal. Attractive environments encourage respect and give pleasure and identity.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agan reasonable but too functional. Individual self builds, houseboats obviously provide opportunities for innovation and attractive design. Some big developments will be essential but more should be done with small developments and smaller developers.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:
In general I agree. The more effort and investment we put into improving the urban environment the more desirable higher density developments in these areas will become.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The main points made are good and in Rochester, Dickens and the Dockyard we have some international appeal. It is often towns and cities that manage to link up and expand themes that prosper the most. The Royal Engineers and their history are central to Medway and the museum could be promoted alongside the Dockyard perhaps with dual entry offers. Cycle trails out to locations from the novels of Dickens, perhaps a link to pilgrim trails to Canterbury, there are many possibilities.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree
Please explain your response:
I agree with the plan but on the ground a different picture presents. Take away outlets proliferate and target areas of already poor health. I understand the conflict between economic activity, employment and health but we must do more. Medway has some useful cycle paths and a concerted effort to extend and improve them and increase cycling would pay dividends on many fronts. Many older residents could be encouraged to use electric bicycles if proper advice and assistance was provided.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
All the aims are good but financing even some of this will be a challenge

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
I am unsure of my ability to assess this

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree with the use of a range of places but think very little help has been provided to for instance keep pubs open. Community halls and the like are also vulnerable to redevelopment. I strongly agree that any new educational establishments should be built with the intention of encouraging community use of resources

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Clearly an important area and the intention to make Medway's broadband provision up to date is good. I think more attention should be paid to ensuring that new developments are state of the art than to improving small pockets of poorer provision.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree how important this is and share most of the policy approach. I would add that a great many people cannot afford to access even council sports facilities and we must strive to preserve and expand public provision of free and open spaces. Gillingham Football Club is close to my heart but I see little value in the Mill Hill idea. Proximity to Gillingham railway station is vital and we should actively engage with the club to set targets for sharply increasing numbers arriving on foot, by bicycle and on public transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Hard to disagree. New developments may be hindered by water stress.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
To general to disagree with but we need to be tough with developers and insist that they produce buildings that are attractive

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
All the aims are good but it is very hard to see how they will be achieved. Public transport is simply too expensive to be an option for many and bus provision is poor. If development is managed properly much more use could be made of train travel. Car use is way too high, over favoured and out of control. This makes all other forms of transport less safe, less available and compromises them.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree and a cycle/pedestrian option to complement the tunnel is long overdue. We could make much more use of river transport and this together with additional crossings could be transformational.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:
A huge resource and attraction but as described much in poor repair and big investment will be needed. May be key to upgrading the whole feel and environment of Rochester, Chatham and Strood

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Marinas are a double edged sword however. It is easy to provide row upon row of marina moorings, which bring little or nothing and exclude residents.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Not qualified to comment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
It is almost impossible for local politicians but they need to take a strong lead. If we continue to assume that all development will be accompanied by parking then we will drown in cars. We are running out of space to park cars
that are used for only a fraction of each day. A discussion needs opening on how we reduce car ownership and use, or Medway will become intolerable.

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?**
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

**Please explain your response:**
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?**
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

**Please explain your response:**
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

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**Minerals, waste and energy**

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?**
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**Please explain your response:**
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?**
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

**Please explain your response:**
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

Please explain your response:
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

Please explain your response:
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.

General comments
Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
I agree particularly with providing cycle parking in a targeted way. Stations are the obvious example and Rainham especially could do with much, much more. We have not begun to tap the potential for cycle use both conventional and electric.
**Vision for Medway 2035**

*Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?*

Agree

*Please explain your response:*

So long as we are able to keep our history and historic sites intact and any new development does not encroach on this then all should be ok.

**Strategic objectives**

*Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?*

Agree

*Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:*

Again so long as our historic sites are kept as they are then all is good.

**Development options**

*Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option*

**Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

3

**Option 2 - Suburban expansion**

4

**Option 3 - A rural focus**

1 (most preferred)

**Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town**

2

**Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.**

5 (least preferred)

*Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order*

I moved to Medway 33 years ago. Partly because we are surrounded by lovely country side and parks. I would hate to see any of this diminish.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Our being near to the rural part of Medway is very important to me. I like knowing that if I jump in the car I am only 5 minutes away from Riverside Country Park and Capstone. I have Gillingham Park on my doorstep. I think we need to educate our children and communities and get them involved in the work so that they learn to appreciate our environment and that we are very lucky to have all this wonderful countryside.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I know many young people that are on low income and find it hard to leave home due to not being able to afford to move out. This could help them.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
If we had really nice mobile home parks I might even consider retiring to one.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 60
Name: Katy Hill
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is very aspirational and I hope that the Council and partners are able to achieve the goals outline in it

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I certainly hope that the aims of the plan are able to be delivered

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I think option 4 allows a pick and mix of the best of all options.  Option 1 - as 2nd choice trying to make the best use of space already built up - especially brown field.  Option 3 - provides development in the rural areas without totally wrecking the village feel.  Suburban expansion - least favourite as the suburbs seem to be at capacity.  Maybe this reflects that I live in the suburbs!
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Utilising brown field sites  Improved access and use of the river front

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
Non

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Recognition that suburban development alone won't provide all that is needed

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
Encroachment on green belt and rural areas around Chatham/Gillingham and Rainham - this part of Medway is already very built up and to lose what little open space we have would be a shame - not to mention the increase in traffic around the housing estates bringing local roads to a standstill at peak travel times

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Hoo St Werburgh being developed into a local small town - providing improved facilities to the peninsular  Care taken of developing small villages to enable them to keep a sense of identity and not be swamped by new mini estates on their edges

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
There is a need to recognise and protect valuable arable areas and wildlife habitats

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This allows for a range of options from the previous 3 to be implemented  Protecting from suburban sprawl  Maximise the town centres with denser buildings  Hoo St Wurburgh becoming a small town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
This is my preferred choice and can't see any significant issues with it as it does the best to spread the pain of the need for such significant growth in an already overcrowded area

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
In a small way can empty and run down properties be brought back into use - eg by compulsory purchase if necessary. This will only be a small number but will help the overall appearance of run down areas eg Luton. There is a desperate need for more social housing and affordable run by fair land lords/housing associations
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
We need a wide range of housing to meet the current and anticipated needs of the people of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is based on research to show the anticipated needs

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
There is a desperate need for affordable and social housing in Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
As our population increases the widest range of accommodation to support people - so they can live in their own home as long as is safe but then have nursing care when they need it.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
Having good quality student accommodation, especially focused near the universities will help attract more students to the area

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks? 
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
I have no knowledge of these or their role as part of the housing stock mix

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
Ensuring that people who live in house boats have the best possible facilities without these having a negative impact on the environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
multi occupation can contribute to running down an area - often due to poor quality housing and irresponsible land lords
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I hope to be a self-builder within the next 3-5 years so am glad this is being focus in the plan

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This gives a balance of providing suitable sites for the relevant communities whilst protecting the areas where they are sited

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I put great value on the natural environment and hope that it continues to be given protection and good management

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Glad to see the idea of protecting rural/green corridors as well as the special areas

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The downs are such a beautiful location and of such importance for wildlife I am glad to see this given special consideration

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Managing the flood risk is vital but we all have a part to play in this We need to improve how we manage our street scenes and people's gardens/drives. How many people get their drives paved over without planning permission and so contribute to the run off

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Improved air is vital for us all. So many of our roads jam up - especially around schools - causing traffic jams belching out fumes

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
I didn’t see any specific mention of allotments - I trust these will be protected and enhanced Encouraging community gardening schemes

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree
Please explain your response:
I hope and trust that the various bodies with responsibility for managing and supplying health care and social care within Medway will be able to work closely together to help and support the community. Medway Maritime hospital urgently needs an improved site. Accessing GP surgeries is really difficult with a shortage of doctors.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

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Name:
Type of respondent:

Vision for Medway 2035

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Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

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Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

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Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Option 3 identifies Cuxton and Halling as expanded villages, while the other options propose incremental expansion of these villages only. While neither lie within the boundary of the Kent Downs AONB, development at both locations has potential to impact on the setting of the AONB, therefore we would prefer to see expansion here kept to a lower level.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

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A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

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Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Agree
Please explain your response:
The AONB Unit supports the proposal to ensure delivery of affordable housing. Affordable housing to sustain local AONB communities is needed and should be secured in rural areas and in particular on developments within AONBs where average house prices are high and access to affordable homes is restricted. We would wish to see a lower threshold for the requirement of affordable housing on sites in the Kent Downs AONB of 5 units or more. This would accord with the NPPG at para. 031 Reference ID 23b-031-20160519, where it is confirmed that in designated rural areas, local planning authorities may choose to apply a lower threshold.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Mobile home parks are rarely acceptable in AONBs as by their nature they are unlikely to conserve and enhance the natural and scenic beauty of the landscape. We would welcome acknowledgement of this in the proposed policy.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The proposed exclusion of new sites in the AONB is welcomed, as sites rarely conserve and enhance the natural and scenic beauty of the landscape. The AONB Unit supports the Council’s proposed re-assessment of need as this may lead to a reduced requirement for new pitches. In respect of safeguarding existing sites, this should be applicable to sites that are authorised only.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
An option for expanding beyond the space planned for the Enterprise Zone at Rochester Airfield is proposed. In view of the proximity of the Airport to the Kent Downs AONB, expansion of this for employment needs has the potential to impact on setting and would need to take account of the adjacent AONB. This is less likely to be an issue if new development is proposed at the northern end of the site.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The importance given to supporting the land based sector and rural businesses is welcomed; while the primary purpose of AONB designation is to conserve and enhance natural beauty, the secondary purpose is to take account the needs of land based and rural industries and the economic and social needs of local communities.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Support the proposed approach; within or on sites affecting the AONB, it will be important to ensure that proposals are consistent within the conservation and enhancement of natural beauty.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Support the proposed approach; within or on sites affecting the AONB, it will be important to ensure that proposals are consistent within the conservation and enhancement of natural beauty.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree
Please explain your response:
We are pleased to see the importance given to Green Infrastructure and the intention that this will inform the development strategy and principles in the new Local Plan.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The AONB Unit welcomes the proposal to give the AONB the highest level of protection, which is in accordance with para 115 of the NPPF and the proposed inclusion of impact on setting. The AONB Unit would support a specific stand-alone policy dealing with local AONB issues. Work carried out by the Kent Downs AONB Unit has identified the following essential and desirable components that should be included in AONB local plan policies:

1. Weight given to AONB in decision making in terms of national planning policy and its original primary purpose: Policies should ensure that AONBs have the highest status of protection in relation to landscape and scenic beauty. It should set out the exceptional circumstances where major development would be permitted.

2. Conserve & enhance: The original purpose of designated AONBs is to ‘conserve & enhance’ natural beauty. Despite the omission of the latter from the NPPF, we consider it desirable that both elements should be within policy. Policies should also include criterion to demonstrate how the ‘enhance’ element of AONB would be achieved.

3. AONB Management Plan: The AONB Management Plan is an important supporting tool to Local Plan policy and has been adopted by all Councils. It should be referenced within policy to give it the desired weight.

4. AONB supporting guidance: As with the AONB Management Plan, the weight to be given to the Unit’s range of guidance is enhanced by reference to ‘supporting guidance’ within the policy. Whilst supporting text could refer to specific document titles, a generic reference to ‘relevant guidance’ will give flexibility for others to be added.

5. Setting: The AONB setting issue is an important consideration. Aided by descriptive material in the supporting text, the impacts on setting (both in views to and from the AONB), both singly and cumulatively (see below) should be referenced within the policy.

6. Tranquillity and remoteness (including ‘dark skies’): This has been identified as a priority for progression by the AONB JAC and we are currently considering how best to take forward work in these areas. In the meantime, the inclusion of these issues within policy will be important.

7. Cumulative impacts: Reference to the in-combination impacts of proposals is considered necessary and the Unit is currently considering how it can give local authorities the support needed to consider such issues.

8. Local descriptive material: Within the supporting text to the policy, some description of the overall special characteristics and qualities of the landform and landscape character of the AONB (including its setting) in so far as it relates to Medway is helpful in terms of providing local justification and emphasis. The AONB Unit has drafted a ‘model' policy that we would be happy to share/discuss with Medway if this would be helpful.

In respect of paragraph 7.10, a minor correction, the 50th year of the designation of the Kent Downs AONB is 2018, not 2017.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree
Please explain your response:
The policy approach to design is supported, particularly the emphasis on local distinctiveness. We would welcome reference in the emerging Plan to new development in the AONB being required to take into account the Kent Downs AONB Management Plan along with supplementary design guidance produced by the AONB Unit.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The AONB is particularly supportive of the requirement for extensive use of trees as a positive contribution to air/environmental quality within housing developments. We would particularly welcome opportunities for planting trees with potential to have large canopies which can significantly mitigate the impact of new development, particularly when viewed from higher ground, such as in respect of developments visible from the scarp of the Kent Downs.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
"Para 9.2 recognises that planning can support healthier lifestyles by promoting healthy weight through the provision of a green vibrant infrastructure that will encourage physical activity, this doesn’t appear to be carried through into the proposed Policy Approach however. Increasing evidence connects health benefits to the natural environment, including a studies that demonstrated a 20 – 30% reduction in all causes of mortality from “green prescriptions” (Elley et al, New Zealand 2003) and populations exposed to the greenest environments have the lowest levels of health inequalities (Mitchell and Popham, The Lancet 2008). This is a view that is accepted and supported by both the NHS and Public Health England: “The role of the environment we live in is hugely important in shaping our lives and

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

consequently

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
our health....having access to high quality

Please explain your response:
local natural environments is critically important to promoting physical health and wellbeing in children and adults" - Duncan Selbie, CEO of Public Health England."
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Support the proposed policy approach. Where developments are with the AONB or its setting and will generate higher usage and access to the AONB, we would like to see contributions sought for the management and maintenance of the public right of way network, hedges, fences etc. to reduce trespass and the development of urban fringe problems in the AONB landscape.

Please explain your response:
Don't know/ No opinion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
The presumption against loss of community facilities and appropriate enhancement of community facilities is supported as this is in line with the Kent Downs AONB Management Plan policy VC4.

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:
Agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
The provision of improved broadband infrastructure is supported. In respect of improved mobile phone coverage, the infrastructure required can detract from landscape characteristics and qualities and care will be required to ensure appropriate siting and mitigation of masts to appropriately manage impact on the AONB and its setting.

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:
Don't know/ No opinion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:
Don't know/ No opinion
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:
Don’t know/ No opinion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:
Don’t know/ No opinion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:
Disagree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Don’t know/ No opinion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Don’t know/ No opinion

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Don’t know/ No opinion

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:
Don’t know/ No opinion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Don’t know/ No opinion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Don’t know/ No opinion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:
Don’t know/ No opinion
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Don't know/ No opinion

General comments

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Don't know/ No opinion
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Respondent ID: 62
Name: Kirsten Williamson
Type of respondent: Other Utility provider

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

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Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
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**A rural focus**

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**Urban regeneration and rural town**

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**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

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**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

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Don't know/ No opinion

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

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Employment

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Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
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Please explain your response:

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Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

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Natural environment and green belt

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Please explain your response:

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Infrastructure

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Agree

Please explain your response:
Southern Water support the policy proposed in respect of utility infrastructure in general terms. We note that Southern Water infrastructure is paid for through our business planning and by contributions from developers through mechanisms other than CIL and S106 and would request that this is made clear in the policy wording.

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Don't know/ No opinion

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Minerals, waste and energy

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Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Object strongly to the expansion of Rainham to the east. This will erode the important countryside gap between Rainham and Sittingbourne, expanding the built up area further eastwards and encroaching upon this important open area.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I support the intensification of existing built up urban areas.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Do not support the expansion of Rainham to the east, eroding the open countryside in this location.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Object to the expansion of Rainham to the east with the erosion of the open countryside gap between Rainham and Sittingbourne.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Object to the expansion of Rainham to the east with the erosion of the open countryside gap between Rainham and Sittingbourne.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Object to the expansion of Rainham to the east with the erosion of the open countryside gap between Rainham and Sittingbourne. The open countryside should be protected in this location. Hartlip as a village is already under a lot of pressure from proposed development sites in Newington and new housing to the east of Rainham. To expand the town further eastwards would encroach upon this village which would lose its rural character, should development be allowed further east of Rainham.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Too much focus on development of areas of natural importance. ESPECIALLY, Capstone, areas around star lane and darland banks. These are vital areas used daily by people walking dogs and acts as essentially the SOLE rural, urban divide splinter for what is one of the largest conurbations in the UK. It would be destructive and wholly inappropriate to build on this. I also disagree with the extensive suburban expansion. Research shows that urban sprawl, is both socially and environmentally damaging. People have to drive, people are displaced away from urban utilities such as shops and community hubs and you have a soulless expanse of sprawl.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Medway is not a city? Nor should it be, you cannot promote 'villages and towns joined together by a transport network' as a vision and also have a 'city' as a vision?

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
A much heavier focus on urban regeneration, this should be above suburban expansion, and ESPECIALLY against development of sites such as capstone.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Research shows that urban sprawl is both socially and environmentally damaging. People have to drive, people are displaced away from urban utilities such as shops and community hubs and you have a soulless expanse of sprawl. This is also building on greenfield land

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Too much focus on development of areas of natural importance. ESPECIALLY, Capstone, areas around star lane and darland banks. These are vital areas used daily by people walking dogs and acts as essentially the SOLE rural, urban divide splinter for what is one of the largest conurbations in the UK. It would be destructive and wholly inappropriate to build on this.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Disagree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No, you cannot promote a strong green infrastructure if several of the most valuable community assets of green land (Capstone and Lodge Hill) are tarmaked over

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Medway needs a clean air zone, more electric charging points and free parking to promote the uptake of EVs which do not produce deadly fumes in dense urban areas.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
**Vision for Medway 2035**

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The Medway area is in dire need of updating

**Strategic objectives**

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
We should make better use of our unique and beautiful waterways

**Development options**

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I only agree with expanding towns and not the villages
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Expanding towns

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Expanding villages

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Expanding villages

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Expanding villages

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Expand and improve existing towns

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Don’t want villages changed or expanded

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Agree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Because Medway has the highest unemployment rate in Kent a special disposition needs to be sought to allow more of the local plan to be given over to employment uses having had a large percentage taken away or embarked for housing such as Rochester Riverside where an extension to the nearby Castleview business park could be incorporated into the plan.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I believe that as well as attracting small company's to provide jobs a big emphasis should be taken into consideration that local government is the biggest employer in the area, given the future position of financial reinstates in the public sector what the future for employment will look like in twenty to thirty years.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
business parks need to be in locations close to major roads making the M2 corridor ideal but also close enough to housing to allow for future population growth without the need for continued congestion on local roads causing air quality problems. to have a extra thirty thousand vehicles on medway,s roads with out mangling pollution levels will be dangerous to future generations.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
In general I support most of the plan apart from the fore mentioned.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
the council designation to support the hestige label is a great ideal but not taken into account the needs of local people regarding quality of life.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
thinking about the lack of land and road links around the towncentres would be a problem for heavy industries but more live/work units could be built as is what brighton has.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The plans for hoo peninsula/grain are a good ideal but care should be taken that the whole of the area is not covered in housing making it,s rural position and the need for farming to be wiped out of the future.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
a new retail centre to encourage local shopping will be needed to stop more car journeys into strood

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
as mentioned before the need for so much housing will remove the rural aspect.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
More affordable housing

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
More housing with out a new hospital

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
a site for a new hospital
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Because not enough employment land in lower gillingham to take advantage of the link roads has been allowed for.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
strood town centre improvements are badly needed.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
air quality needs to be improved around town centres for a cyclist like myself.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
a policy on good health care is a good thing.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree
Please explain your response:
A controlled parking zone is be set up in my local roads a good thing !!!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 67
Name: LEONARD CANEY
Type of respondent: Member of the public Other A local taxi driver, licenced by Medway.

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
4

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
There are many sites within all these area's, which are good for development. The main worry is the highways. If you develop lower Gillingham and the Hoo area. Major new roads would need to be put in place. Better links to the M2 from Rainham, and you should talk to the railways to get an upgrade of the single track line to Sharnel street/Grain.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The industrial sites at Kingsnorth and Grain, would work well. But you would need a new duel carriageway from Hoo to Grain. Rochester riverside has one downfall. The road system. A new road hugging the Medway from Anchorage house to the back of the bus station, joining to dock road in my opinion should be looked at.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
N/A

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The proposed housing development will need better roads, schools doctor setc. as it will bring hundreds of new people to these area.s

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
To many traffic bottle necks.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
These area’s are (except Rainham) are virgin developments, in area’s which are used for farming. You have to scope to put the correct transport /roads in place.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
we need housing and jobs

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I think this well be a big no no with the residents as mix development may bring large vehicles in to these area’s.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
The Medway towns has one drawback, the river its self. Also we sit in a valley. To stop even worse traffic bottle necks. A new river crossing at Hoo ness, to link with the Lower gillingham link road, will cut through traffic, with a link to the M2 link road. as Mewday city estate is a bottle neck. A Docklands style cable car system over the river.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
People need housing. Priority housing should be given to local council tax payers in the selling and letting of houses/flats

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This is the uk's biggest need. Let Medway lead the way.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The students have pushed up the prices in the to let section. Landlords have seen their rents rise by 20% as students flood the market, looking for lets. The Uni's should only be allowed to expand, if they can provide halls of residence within their plans.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Older people like to downsize, to park homes, putting their properties on the housing market.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Safety standards should be high, as fires, and sinkings are a big problem.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As long as the landlords play by the rules and do not cut corners on safety.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
There is not enough sites where travellers can set up their own yards. Also not enough transit sites for short stays. If these were in place there would be thousands of pounds saved on clean ups.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There are too many out of the way hotels. A new hotel in Rochester, near to the station/ river would give people better access to Historic Rochester. Chatham Maritime, has two hotels, but could do with 1 more.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The Pentagon centre, is old and out dated. It should be demolished, and in its place a network of lanes, with shops, diners, and tranquil seating.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Gillingham town centre should be redeveloped, with the roads moved to make the area safer. An area of small market style squares, with mixed retail and diners, landscaped to make it feel nice to visit.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?  
Agree

Please explain your response:
People need green space to relax, walk and play, away from toxic gasses from cars and lorries.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?  
Agree

Please explain your response:  
as above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?  
Agree

Please explain your response:
Medway should make all taxi/bus's hybrid. Taxi's being fully disabled compliant, by 2019 Ban toxic lorries/ vans in the same time frame.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?  
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
we are all guilty of being overweight, we all need to get healthier.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
As long are the roads doctors and schools are in play.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
There is only so much the council can do. Private sector should do its bit.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We need a new river crossing, for Hoo/L/Gillingham. Clear up the known bottle necks within Medway. More cycle ways, and park and ride. Taxi’s should be Hybrid and disabled friendly.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
To many small side roads clogged with parked cars. Ban all company vans/ (large) from these roads. Most company operators licences say to return to their yards at night.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 68
Name: Louise collins
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I object to the building around the edge or towns such as that suggested at Capstone. I also object to the development of housing at Lodge Hill, it is a SSSI and is internationally important. Thought should be given to making it protected farm or open land.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
The riverfront is an asset, the proposal to develop Medway city estate is spot on.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
All brown field and urban sites should be used first. Developers should not be allowed to cherry pick the easy options. Get rid of our eyesores first! Green fields are important lungs which make up for houses having smaller gardens.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Regeneration of The riverside, urban, Medway city estates, moving business out to kingsnorth.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The development of Lodge hill. We have a one in a lifetime chance to return a SSSI back to nature and preserve it for future generations.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The development of mixed use at kingsnorth.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Any development in capstone valley and the edge of Rainham. Both are green lungs and valuable farmland.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Mixed industrial use away from the towns.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of lodge hill. Capstone valley and in rainham countryside.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Industrial use of kingsnorth etc.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Any development of capstone valley and lodge hill.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Develop small housing areas on the edge of the villages as well as using all brown field and urban and riverside land. Utilise inner urban space above shops for housing of students, and single people etc. Build homes for older people along side all of the above so there is a good choice for elder people to live too.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
All brown field sites to be used first.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
We need more

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Roughly agree

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
More opportunities should be given for young people to do this. Not huge great mansions lived in by wealthy older couples with no children.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
More thought should be given to modern 'pre fabricated' homes for first time buyers. Also encourage older people to sell family homes by incentivising them to move to more suitable properties.

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
People could live above shops many are empty.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Solar panels should be on every suitable roof.

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
I don't like how Gillingham has become a "student town" with very limited shops in the town centre. It used to have very good shops that were easily accessible without needed a car/bus/train from the town centre. Also I am very displeased that a family were temporarily housed next door to my family who own their own home. The temporary family are very disruptive and shouldn't be housed in a peaceful neighbourhood. Gillingham has worsened over the last approx. 20 years, attracting the wrong types of people and thus scaring the right types of people away, leaving behind the people who can't afford to move but wish they could! Gillingham needs a lot more improvement than is included in your plans which actually say in no certain terms that it is a student town!

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I agree about developing the riverside as long as natural habitats are still there for wildlife. Animals are becoming extinct as it is in the world because of habitats being built on.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I don't really like any of your options. I am more interested in Gillingham being majorly improved. Better shops in the town centre like there was in the 80's. Not everyone can afford to use buses/trains to get to other shops and also not everyone has access to a car for travelling either! Since landlords started taking over houses, the quality of living has been worsened as a lot of renters in the area don't respect their neighbours/houses/gardens and make the place a tip and can't keep the peace either. The councillors who live in nice areas don't understand these problems because they don't live amongst them!

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
None

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I don't support any of it as I don't live in Strood, Hoo, St Werberg, Chatham, Strood or Rainham.
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Stop encouraging people to have lots of children which will make us need even more houses in the future.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation? 
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below 
No

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development? 
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy? 
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism? 
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation? 
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below 
No

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Not enough plans for improving Gillingham town centre.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below 
Improve the quality and quantity of shops in Gillingham town centre please.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring? 
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure? 
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
No

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
No

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
No
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
No

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It doesn't affect me.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 70
Name: M Noor
Type of respondent: Other

Vision for Medway 2035
Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I think this is a much needed plan for Medway and it will bring new jobs and improve the much needed infrastructure in the area.

Strategic objectives
Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I think the benefits out weigh the objectives.

Development options
Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I think there needs to be more focus on employment opportunities and new development in the area.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
the increase in employment development

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
its hard to understand the plans and I need more clarity

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
the option to have more green space

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
the need to have such little housing developments

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
lots of incremental expansion

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No improvement in Gillingham, this is much needed

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
na

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
There is a much need for new and affordable homes
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I think the focus should be to provide high quality homes to attract people from affluent areas in the south east and London.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
there needs to be affordable homes

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
but I think these homes do not need to be in busy urban areas

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
but I think this economic development could be more rapid and I believe that there is much more growth that is needed. you can only do this if people feel they are personally benefiting from the development. therefore Medway needs to start paying the salaries accordingly, if it wants to retain the talent that is otherwise commuting to London.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
the transport infrastructure needs to improve in order to grow this economy, there needs to be better media coverage of Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Medway really improve its media coverage and get more positive publicity.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Medway needs to fund businesses to improve the economy, it needs to educate and try and retain the educated people in the area.

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree
Please explain your response:
The green infrastructure needs to be more accessible and there needs to be better PR on these spaces which could bring in better tourism

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:
there should be better and flood risk preventions in place.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There seems to be very little imprantance to design in the area and this si much needed to compete with other major towns in the UK.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Housing design could be so much better and there needs to be better architects and designers employed. Pay London salaries and you will get London standards, pay peanuts then you know what you will get.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
There needs to be better health access and more quality of NHS services.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There needs to be a ethos of sharing best practices in the area, there is too much disparity in the quality of teaching. Why are grammar schools and outstanding schools not sharing there methods of teaching or what the6y are doing right so that this can improve the quality of teaching in other schools.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There needs to be more community infrastructure, there needs to be more children's centre and funding in libraries and schools for community held events and activities.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There needs to be more free regular events like free tennis for children and adults that has been going on in areas like tower hamlet and Essex.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There needs to be a more clearer approach to the delivery of services and improvement's in the area so that it is supported by all.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Transport improvement needs to be more clear and there needs to be more accessible, the bus service needs to improve and the train service needs to be more faster and cheaper.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
but there could be better improvements but it is a start.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:
we need to show off the beautiful water front but at the moment it looks a mess. Please have a look at how Newham/East London have improved the docklands in arrears like Becton and canery wharf, City Airport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Residents should not have to park their own car where there own home is, its ridiculous!! there needs to be a policy to allow one car to be parked for free.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Please explain your response:
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Please explain your response:
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
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Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
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Please explain your response:
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Please explain your response:
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Please explain your response:
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Please explain your response:
Cycling is a great way of traveling in town and there needs to be more free classes fro cycling for children and adults.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
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General comments

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Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

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Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus
  1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Bourne Leisure supports option 3. It is the company’s view that expanding existing villages and businesses in rural locations is a sustainable option.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

In addition to the specific ‘policy approach’ for tourism, Bourne Leisure considers that the growth of the tourism economy should be recognised in the Council’s overall policy approach to economic development; it would have been appropriate to include tourism in the list of ‘policy approach actions’ for economic development that the Council will support. It is vitally important to recognise, within the overall approach to economic development in the emerging Plan, the crucial and integral role the visitor economy plays within Medway at present, and in addition, how it can contribute to economic development growth in the future. It is the Company’s view that the visitor economy and wider tourism sector should be fully recognised as a key means of contributing to the future growth of Medway’s economy. In particular, and to build on statements made elsewhere in this consultation document and in the previous Issues and Options document, Medway should be promoted as a year-round tourism destination with a wide range of good quality accommodation, facilities, and attractions. Long-established tourism operators such as Bourne Leisure already employ a significant number of people within the south east region. It is critically important that Bourne Leisure’s (and other operators’) current contributions and future scope for growth are fully recognised and built upon, in relation to the approach taken to the role of tourism in economic development in the emerging Local Plan, when identifying the key issues for the economy as a whole.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Bourne Leisure welcomes the Council’s approach of supporting sustainable rural tourism and leisure activities that are in keeping with their rural setting. In the previous Issues & Options consultation document, it was acknowledged that much of Medway’s agricultural land lies close to existing settlements and is of interest for potential development; this locational observation is equally applicable to the Allhallows Holiday Park, which in addition lies within the developed coast. As a consequence, Bourne Leisure wishes to reiterate the point that not all development outside settlements will negatively impact on key landscapes, and therefore would encourage a policy approach to the rural economy, and specifically to tourism, that allows development proposals to be considered on their merits, on a case by case basis in relation to their tangible economic, social, and environmental benefits, and their impacts and proposed mitigation measures where applicable.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Bourne Leisure welcomes the Council's reference to Allhallows in paragraph 5.35 and the proposed principles for assessing tourism development proposals. It is critically important in developing these principles into a draft policy that Bourne Leisure's (and other operators') current contributions to, and future scope for further growth are fully recognised and built on not only in relation to the proposed approach to be taken to the overall role of tourism in the emerging Local Plan, but also in the context of promoting economic development. The Company would suggest that the Council should therefore refer in emerging policy to the enhanced role of Medway as an important tourist destination, where improvements to the quality of existing and new tourist-related facilities and accommodation will be encouraged, in order to extend the tourist season, generate additional, less seasonal employment, and attract additional tourism-related expenditure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
In addition to promoting the provision of additional visitor accommodation as a matter of principle, Bourne Leisure concur with the proposed Policy Approach for tourism and agree that the emerging Local Plan should specifically endorse opportunities for the expansion and improvement of existing holiday parks, such as Allhallows Holiday Park, and acknowledge the invaluable role that existing tourism accommodation and facilities currently play within Medway. The Company considers that the Local Plan should also specifically acknowledge the importance of holiday parks in providing visitors with choices in terms of where they stay, and recognition should be given to how high-quality static holiday caravan and holiday chalet sites make a vital contribution to providing a variety of high-standard tourist accommodation within Medway. In addition, Bourne Leisure considers that recognition should be given in policy to the ongoing requirement for operators to consider continuously upgrading and carrying out improvements to tourism facilities such as caravan parks, so as to meet visitors' expectations. The emerging Local Plan's policy for caravan parks should recognise that such improvements may require some expansion of site area, for example, in order to provide enhanced landscaping as an integral part of an expanded Park. The enhancement and improvement of existing visitor accommodation and facilities is required to meet visitors' requirements and to help attract increasing numbers of 'overnight', higher spending visitors to Medway. In summary, Bourne Leisure therefore considers that a specific, positively worded and criteria-based policy should be included in the emerging Local Plan, to encourage the upgrading and extension of existing holiday parks. The creation of an improved tourism offer that builds on existing provision holds a unique opportunity to increase the length of visits within the area. An extended visitor season would provide longer term visitor interest, ensure a better quality all-year visitor economy and boost local employment and spin-off benefits to the wider economy. By helping to reduce the seasonal nature of the tourism industry within the area, Medway's tourism sector will remain competitive, profitable, and sustainable.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Bourne Leisure recognises the importance and value of Medway’s natural environment. In this regard, the Company considers that policies for the natural environment should include reference to balance, and the consideration of the social and economic benefits potentially arising from the enhancement (and, where appropriate, extension) of existing tourism developments. Accordingly, future decisions should take full account of the specific characteristics of each development proposal and noting any proposed mitigation measures, assess whether it makes a positive contribution to protecting or enhancing the environment, when considered on a case by case basis. It is therefore considered that the importance of balancing environmental concerns with the economic and social benefits of development should be a key approach and policy theme throughout the emerging Local Plan. In particular, the emerging Plan’s policies should support limited new developments in or adjacent to sensitive locations, with proportionate mitigation where required. Such developments would include the enhancement and expansion of holiday parks, for which a countryside or coastal location is essential. Emerging development management policies should also recognise existing land use and development potential when determining the role of the landscape. For sites such as Allhallows Holiday Park, which is in an environmentally sensitive location, it is important that emerging Local Plan policies do not preclude appropriate development where any potential impact can be counteracted by commensurate mitigation measures, implemented to address both direct and indirect impacts.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Bourne Leisure considers that it will be important for the Local Plan’s polices on flood risk to be drafted so as to ensure the taking into account of the specific characteristics and vulnerability of particular uses, when considering the effects of flood risk. For example, certain tourism uses need to be, or remain located adjacent to water in order to continue to attract visitors. In addition, it is important for consideration to be given in policy to whether the residual risks of flooding to people and property are acceptable and can be satisfactorily managed and whether the proposed development would make a positive contribution to reducing or managing flood risk. In particular, the Company considers that in regard to the consolidation and expansion of existing tourism accommodation and holiday parks sites within flood risk areas, only the extent of the new development site within or adjacent to the existing holiday park, and not the whole site, should have to be assessed sequentially. Consequently, Bourne Leisure’s view is that proposals for the improvement or expansion of existing tourist accommodation and facilities should be considered on a more flexible basis than new development at such locations. These more flexible considerations should include taking account of the specific characteristics of current uses, and the merits of each individual proposal. Emerging policies should explicitly recognise that new tourism-related development can be justified in areas of flooding in such circumstances, particularly where it provides regenerative benefits and increased contributions to the sustainability of the local economy. In regard to climate change and the associated flood implications, Bourne Leisure considers that the forthcoming Local Plan should take account of the specific characteristics of different land uses, and in doing so, recognise the importance of maintaining and retaining existing tourism uses. Priority should be given to defending existing properties from flooding, particularly as it is often
impractical and financially unviable to relocate existing development, such as holiday parks. Owners and operators should be able, via local plan policy, to provide and maintain defences that would allow them to continue to run their businesses in situ, and expand where appropriate.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
As referred to above and whilst Bourne Leisure endorses the proposed Policy Approach to increase the use of public transport and rates of walking, the Company would emphasise however that in the case of some land uses such as tourism, there is often no feasible alternative available, other than the private car, for reaching more remote areas. There is therefore a need for the policy and any supporting text within the emerging Local Plan to recognise in relation to tourism uses, such as holiday parks which are car dependent, that there is often no feasible alternative available other than the private car for access. Bourne Leisure therefore considers that the emerging Plan should promote non-car modes of transport where applicable, but recognise the reality of car-based access, particularly in terms of tourism-related development.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I disagree with many of the policy statements, assumptions and proposals in relation to the rural expansion of villages on the Hoo Penninsula

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Building and expansion around rural villages will increase traffic, reduce green spaces and places stress on the current services and infrastructure. Ludicrous to think that significant numbers of people will be able to walk and cycle to work when a large number travel out of Medway to London and other towns as part of long established travel to work patterns and higher paid employment opportunities

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
4
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximise the potential of existing infrastructure and facilities. Make the town centres come alive with homes, leisure, employment and retail opportunities. Focus on brownfield sites and leave rural communities alone as significant developments will destroy their character and reduce quality of life. Unrealistic to propose that an additional 6000 homes on the Hoo Peninsula could improve anything for existing residents particularly if this is allowed to develop in a piecemeal manner as has been the case historically. Infrastructure in rural locations is underdeveloped and a huge strain will be placed on existing services resulting in reduced quality of life for many residents. Examples would include primary schools, doctors and dentists, access to hospital, sewage systems and pumping stations.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Makes uses of brownfield sites and focuses on regeneration of a dismal town centre that is very unattractive

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I don't support the expansion of the rural villages as the character and attractiveness of rural living will be significantly diminished by further development thus reducing the existing quality of life for many. Transport dependence on cars is unlikely to reduce and will increase in volume. The assumption that employment opportunities and travel to work patterns will change are flawed with most higher paid non industrial employment being outside of Medway. Where industrial jobs are created they will not be filled by low skilled Medway residents

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Make more use of town centre locations such as Mountbatten house

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Unaffordable in the longer term with an aging population

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
This is a poor strategy as often the developments are the worst of all situations especially as infrastructure and services are not developed in tandem with these piecemeal developments

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
Little to support higher paid employment for professionals and non industrial workers. Travel to work patterns and transport options are not sufficiently explored especially for those living outside of the towns. Access to trains and station parking very poor for those living in rural locations and naïve to think that walking and cycling is a realistic option for many of those on the Hoo Peninsula. If you cannot get a place in the local school how are mums going to get to work without a car? Unrealistic

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
Please see response above. Few seek work in the rural agricultural economy due to low wages and industrial work tends to be dominated by men. Fewest opportunities for women are inevitable with travel elsewhere required if you want skilled employment at the national average wage or above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Diagree in part as you have suggested destroying a large part of the existing rural landscape and facilities in order to replace it elsewhere

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:
Diagree in parts but support overall the sims and if objectives for a greener Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Unrealistic to think that expanding villages will improve or support healthier living think it could possibly reduce existing levels
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Healthy living centre in Hoo needed

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Unrealistic to think that there will be less reliance on car journeys. Internet shopping has resulted in a co start flow if speeding delivery vans in the local villages. Far more than the car shopping journeys that they replace. Doubtful there is robust evidence to support assumptions made in this part of the Oman

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Destroy green spaces on the Peninsula only to replace with green spaces elsewhere seems to be a flawed approach

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Infrastructure needs to be put in place before any development

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Reinstate train connection on the Hoo Peninsula to Gravesend and London

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Car journeys from the Peninsula will not reduce and pressure on the existing road via four elms hill will inevitably increase causing severe traffic delays

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Should make better use of the river

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Parking will remain an issue in town centres and near train stations- rural residents will rely on cars as public transport costs are expensive from the Hoo Peninsula

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
The Medway is a river, not a city. Rochester is the main city, and the council should aim to have it's historic status returned.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
3

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
1 (most preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?  
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Development should take into account the effect on views of / views from the Castle/Cathedral. Building materials should complement what is already there.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Trees - they should be preserved where possible, added to and replaced when lost.
Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Road/rail capacity should be considered as part of any development.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Better links between bus/rail should be sought.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 74
Name: Matthew Wickham
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Broadly I agree with the objectives, but "successful in place-making"? That is neither proper English nor even self-explanatory. Please ditch the drivel. Most Medway residents have not done degree courses in Brent-speak!

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Regeneration first - always
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This is always the best solution.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
You must avoid short-changing poorer people. Developers don’t make as much money from them so they will often take the cheap and not cheerful option. "Affordable" does not mean £250k, either, so don’t fall into the trap of believing the quoted mix will be a useable one. Be firm!

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Basically, none of it. Last resort.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Good idea, provided infrastructure needs are met in advance.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
If the above is not done, potentially disastrous.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Sounds good, but "affordable" really needs to be just that. And many of those who need "affordable" are not starters, so special offers for newbies are potentially divisive, and counter-productive.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
To be discouraged where possible. These are not a solution. Proper affordable homes are.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Fine and dandy where they are a lifestyle choice, neatly kept in, in neat and tidy locations (Maidstone and upward perhaps). No more a housing solution than mobile homes.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Good idea, as long as legislation is robust and enforced.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
As above. Willy-nilly, with slack planning rules and/or enforcement? No.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:
Thorny issue! Travellers should travel. No special concessions, as they are no special group. If they want to live static lives then there are static dwellings available. The same conditions and expectations apply to everybody in that situation.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Rochester could do with a facelift. Rainham, Chatham, Gillingham, Strood need something more dramatic, though I have to confess I don't know what. The internet is making retail a tricky thing. No more out-of-town sites, though, please!

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Flood risk is a big consideration, both river-related and surface water. Please don't allow developers to, sorry, water down any mitigations/restrictions placed on them.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
This is becoming a serious issue in the towns as traffic grinds to a halt. As above, don't allow developers to flannel their way to ducking responsibility. If homes (or workplaces) are built out of the centres then cars will be the only way to get to and from them. We need to move on from this way of thinking.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Good, as long as "high density" doesn't automatically mean "for poorer people" - keep it mixed up.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Same comments apply here as above, really - the "that'll do" approach to affordable housing has produced some shockers in the past (elsewhere, I should add).

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
See above.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
I wouldn't want everything old preserved in aspic (my own workplace is listed, which is a pain as I suspect the easiest and cheapest solution to all its issues would be a demolition and rebuild model, but there it is), but also we cannot allow development to sweep away the character of a place altogether.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
There needs to be a new hospital built as a matter of urgency. Yes, this means in all probability a greenfield site but it’s a price worth paying in this instance. Plus, of course, it offers up a large town centre housing site, with maybe a little rejigging of the local road layout. But it MUST come before any further housing.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

As long as they are in place before development, all well and good

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Bridges - has anyone considered a bridge from Mill Hill, Gillingham, via one of the river islands, to the Hoo Peninsula (and perhaps thence across the Thames)? Or from Grain to Sheerness? Or a tunnel in either case if shipping needs rule out a bridge? Expensive, I dare say, and not a consideration for Medway alone, but think of the possibilities opened up...
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Good to see Rochester Airport features in ongoing plans. Never give in to the demands of people living in nearby homes who want it gone - most of the homes and all of the complainers came after the airport, so they knew what they were getting!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 75
Name: Medway Resident
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I agree with the overall aim of this but I do not agree with Medway being a city as this will mean that the towns will lose their own identities and character.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
3

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I believe that the majority of new homes should be located in the more rural parts of Medway as many of the towns are full to capacity and too many more homes in the towns themselves would have a detrimental effect on the health of those already living in the the town centres. However as Hoo and surrounding areas are less densely populated then they should be expanded first.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The developments in Hoo.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Further development around the waterside at Strood and Chatham as is already very congested.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of Hoo and Lodge Hill.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The developments all around Twydall and Rainham as would lose a huge amount of green space and there would not be enough transportation links to support the development.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of Lodge Hill and Hoo.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The development on Capstone as this would impact a bit on that site. I am also not sure on expanding the employment opportunities in Grain as would add more congestion as people would commute in to there so would increase traffic.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This makes more sense to me as would be building more in the rural areas and there would be some improvement to town centres.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Would not support any building on Capstone.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Feel that they need a lot more affordable housing and starter homes than has been planned.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This needs to be limited as much as possible.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Overall I would agree although I do not feel we need too many more shops as more and more items are being bought on-line. I would suggest that the high street between the main Chatham and Rochester high street is scaled back so the shops that are still in use are moved to the main high streets and the remaining buildings are turned in to housing.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

It is very important that we look after our at risk heritage sites.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Although I would prefer Gillingham football club to stay where they are as their current site benefits local pubs, shops and cafes in Gillingham on match days.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Any new residential developments must have enough parking.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
**Development Options Consultation**

**Online Questionnaire Responses**

**Respondent ID: 76**
**Name: Mrs Carol Lynne Webster**
**Type of respondent: Member of the public**

**Vision for Medway 2035**

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?

Agree

Please explain your response:

**Strategic objectives**

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

**Development options**

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

**Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

1 (most preferred)

**Option 2 - Suburban expansion**

3

**Option 3 - A rural focus**

5 (least preferred)

**Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town**

4

**Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.**

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

I think it is important, as far as possible, to retain the rural character of the Hoo Peninsula, with far reaching rural views and clearly defined undeveloped areas between the settlements. Any development of Hoo and the other villages should be done with this in mind.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Focus on use of brown field sites. Renewal and modernisation of residential sites.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
This still sounds like a lot of development on the Hoo Peninsula - almost as many homes as in some of the other options. I assume the 7000 homes is including Lodge Hill. I am opposed to the development of Lodge Hill.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Urban regeneration and extensions. Smaller scale growth of villages, providing their rural views and nature is maintained.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Review of the green belt boundary. Development of Lodge Hill due to its SSI status.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Regeneration of urban and waterfront sites.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The development of Hoo into a small rural town. The addition of 6500 new homes would have too great an impact on the surrounding area area and destroy its rural character. The development of Lodge Hill due to its SSI status.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Urban regeneration and redevelopment. Release of green belt land avoided.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of Hoo as a small rural town. Development of Lodge Hill.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 77
Name: Mrs Iris.M.Rickford
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
We believe there is enough green belt being taken to accommodate new housing especially on the Hoo Pensinsula

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Because we want our villages to remain villages. Because the amount of housing proposed on the Hoo Pensinsula, will make the Pensinsula the size of Strood
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Where there are unsightly areas, what could do with housing, etc. what have been neglected have been left, but not any more building on our left very villages, where farm land and forestry built on and lost and gone for ever

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Round by the river, and not on the green belt

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Build eksewhere

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
We have these already these facilities on the Hoo peninsula x

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
And again we have already Facilities for these also

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Don’t know, only not to build on arable land, concreting over our farmland and forestries

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:
Surely they would check into Hotels

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Don't know

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:
Do we actually need more retail, when you go to places like Chatham where there are shops and units laying empty, online shopping has killed the high street

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We moved to the village 32 years ago, and love it the way it is - a village!!!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:
If areas can be put back the way they wear

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree
Please explain your response:
We have good air quality on the Hoo Peninsula, and we would like to keep it that way.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
I don't know, but we have had enough development on the Hoo Peninsula over the years - no more!!

**Built environment**

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?**
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?**
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?**
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?**
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Health and communities**

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?**
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Infrastructure**

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?**
Disagree

Please explain your response:

There is not enough infrastructure on the Hoo Peninsula now, let alone for more housing.

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?**
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

**Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?**
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
We have sports facilities now on the Hoo peninsula which I believe to be adequate, and we also had a bowling green, which has been sold to developers

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
With regard to the Hoo Peninsula, I have written several times with regard to the building of so many houses on the Lodge Hill site. In addition to this, I see from your maps that all the villages on the Peninsula are ringed, with the label of "mixed development use". So that you are deliberately going against your first statement that you would protect the environment within each village and keep the changes minimal. In fact, you are turning each village/hamlet into a small town. The people on the Peninsula will all tell you, that they have no wish to become small towns. The stunning countryside as you call it, would be stunning no longer.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery? Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix? Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below:

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below:

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 79
Name: Mrs Newman
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option.

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?

Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
It depends which option is chosen. If some options are chosen, I think there will be an increase risk of flooding and some natural environments will be lost and lose their distinctive character.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I think that some options will negatively change the quality of life of some areas and instead of place-making will be place-changing.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

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Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
For me this is the only option as all the other options will completely change the character and ambience of Hoo and the Peninsular.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

*I think that both Strood and Chatham and Medway will benefit from the refurbishment and regeneration of the town centres. *Developing the town centres with more residential developments will mean less pollution and less travel. *There is already warehousing around Kingsnorth, so the infrastructure is there already.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

*A mixed use development on either side of the A228 at Hoo would not be an eco friendly or healthy environment in which to live or work. Also more junctions on that road, jeopardizes safety. *One road onto the Peninsular is already stretched and with more development at Hoo, Kingsnorth and Grain, it is and will be inadequate.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

None

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

*I the development encompassing both Lodge Hill and Hoo will be nearly as big as Rochester. *It will be built on Grade 1 agricultural land, a precious commodity, which cannot be replaced. *It will completely change the character of Hoo and it’s rural aspect. *How can you enhance it’s rural setting more than it is now?

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

*I support the regeneration of the town centres of Strood and Chatham.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

*According to your map the development of Hoo and Lodge Hill will be the same. *I do not agree with building on Grade 1 agricultural land. *The one road into the Peninsula will not be sufficient, considering the further development of storage at Grain and more warehousing at Kingsnorth. It will need more infrastructure.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

*I am not sure what the land is to the west of Cuxton and Halling but any development there would have easy access to 2 railway stations.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:
*I agree that farming is an important of the economy of Medway. Why then have 3 out of the 4 plans you have for Medway, include building on Grade 1 agricultural land. Once gone this land cannot be regained. Building here will not respect the countryside around Hoo, in fact it will change the open aspect and character of Hoo forever.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Please explain your response:
*I think that it is very important the every home should have a private outside space (as well as a shared communal space), for both playing and growing plants. Also, whereas I wouldn’t like to see the development as one big car park, if each house doesn’t have enough parking space, that is what it will become, and the surrounding streets as well.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Please explain your response:
*Any development of Hoo will need major broadband development. Even now, at times of high usage, evenings, weekends and when the children come home from school, the broadband speed drops.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:
*Even though developments need open spaces and sports facilities, each home also needs its own private outside space. Nearby space is not enough for small children.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:
*I certainly agree that full use should be made of the asset of the river both for leisure and transport, but without harming any wildlife habitat or resource.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:
*I agree with the policy for waterfronts and river access, providing all the bullet points are met.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?

Please explain your response:
*Yes I agree but overnight moorings and short stay moorings will still need to be monitored, to stop them being abused. have you considered how this can be done in a remote marshy area?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:
*I agree with the policy that residential parking spaces have to be increased with the number of bedrooms. Also, nowadays I think it is important that there is a space allocated for vans and larger vehicles.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Please explain your response:
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Please explain your response:
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.
Please explain your response:
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Please explain your response:
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Please explain your response:
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Please explain your response:
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
*I agree, if there are safe places for cycles to be left people are more likely to use them and cycle.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
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Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 81
Name: Nicholas Lane
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The council needs a clear vision on how to meet the medway towns needs

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

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1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Option 1 is the best option as this makes the most use of land that is already developed. There is a great option to develop the kingsnorth industrial estate as the power station is removed, there is adequate road connections to Kingsnorth, along with docking for ships. Medway City Estate is just not adequately supported by the infrastructure, it is a nightmare during rush hour and blocks up Strood and Wainscott. It would be better used for housing. There is an option here to develop areas Chatham Gillingham etc which are quite rundown. Option 2. I am being biased here
as i am a resident of Hoo. I do not wish to see my village turned into a town. I think that further development here will ruin what most of the residents of Hoo and surrounding areas consider home. The roads, schools, amenities etc will need to be expanded greatly and I believ that this will considerably damage the Hoo Peninsula. There is good high grade agricultural surrounding Hoo, designated countryside. Option 3 The expansion that you are talking about will damage the unique countryside of the Hoo peninsula. Option 4 If there is to be development in Hoo this seems like the less damaging to the surrounding area. This would need to be done so that it enhances Hoo rather than be a blot on the landscape with high density housing as we have seen from the recent developments by Bellway and Taylor Wimpey in Hoo. Option 5 Why not consider clearing Kinsnorth industrial estate and making that housing. It’s a brownfield site.

**Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

redeveloping existing areas

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

There is no part I do not support

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Development in towns

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Development on green field sites

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

None of it

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

I do not support this option

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

The regeneration of Medway City Estate

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

The development of Hoo
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

I think you need to look at the area of Kingsnorth as a modern industrial estate. It is under used and would be an ideal opportunity to develop. Medway City Estate could then be developed for housing, this would then remove an industrial area from the middle of a residential area.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

I mostly agree with what is said but I think you need to look at Chatham town centre, especially the Pentagon and office block. Very poorly used since the bus station was moved.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any S106 levy should be given to the community affected, not go into general pot for council to give out.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Any development needs to have a transport plan. Quite often the case is that a housing development is put up without considering how much extra traffic comes with it. Most families have 2+ cars these days and the existing roads cannot cope with the extra traffic. A lot of the roads in Medway were designed when car ownership was low or non existant.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The council need to look at developing existing berths for improving industry and jobs, Grain & Kingsnorth
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I think you should take more interest in Stoke. A lot of people use it.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I think all new houses should have parking for two vehicles at the front of the property and make street parking difficult. Especially on new estates no one makes use of communal parking preferring to park on the road bumped up on the pavement.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 82
Name: Nicola Purdy
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
1 (most preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 83
Name: not telling
Type of respondent: Other hmm

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
This hospital is fine - To relocate it is too costly - You just need to put more money and get rid of the fat cats and make it good - Throwing it away is just a waste of money and the people of medway CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY FOR THAT - It is bad enough you are making unemployed people pay council tax - The amount of people I know who are on £75 or so a week and you want them to pay council tax shows me you have NO IDEA how real people are just about surviving in Medway - GET RID OF THE CHARGING UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE COUNCIL TAX NOW - it is abhorrent

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
you are wasting money. you could make what we have better instead of building yet more stuff and letting the rest of it go to rot

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
all of the choices are not making the most of what we already have - you just like throwing money away instead of maximising what you already have at your fingertips

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
the only thing i would support is making the medway better - tho you could move it to the leisure centre site in lordswood - that place is sitting doing not alot

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
i dont support anythign that makes the fat cats richer whilst the people cannot afford to pay for all this

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
as before

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
as before comment

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
and the sxame again

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
as before

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
yadda yadda as before

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
as above

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
This hospital is fine - To relocate it is too costly - You just need to put more money and get rid of the fat cats and make it good - Throwing it away is just a waste of money and the people of medway CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY FOR THAT - It is bad enough you are making unemployed people pay council tax - The amount of people I know who are on £75 or so a week and you want them to pay council tax shows me you have NO IDEA how real people are just about surviving in Medway - GET RID OF THE CHARGING UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE COUNCIL TAX NOW - it is abhorrent
Local Plan approach to policy development

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
this is so long i forgot what option flippin 4 is now

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
as above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
we ned affordable housing yet you people donrt seem to understand the word affordable

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
depends who you are conning into paying for all this

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
what students?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
sounds like gypsies - an annoyance to all

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
as long as the people are happy to be stuck ther ewith a ton of other people who might be druggies etc

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
no idea

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I DO NOT WANT A GYPSY CAMP HERE - THEY ARE A DISGRACE TO OUR COMMUNITY AND THEY LEAVE A TON OF MESS AFTER THEM WHEN THEY LEAVE

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
yes = there are tons of emty houses - take them and sort them - then you have a ton of houses o use

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
this is tedious

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
what employment???

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
This hospital is fine - To relocate it is too costly - You just need to put more money and get rid of the fat cats and make it good - Throwing it away is just a waste of money and the people of medway CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY FOR THAT - It is bad enough you are making unemployed people pay council tax - The amount of people I know who are on £75 or so a week and you want them to pay council tax shows me you have NO IDEA how real people are just about surviving in Medway - GET RID OF THE CHARGING UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE COUNCIL TAX NOW - it is abhorrent
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

This hospital is fine - To relocate it is too costly - You just need to put more money and get rid of the fat cats and make it good - Throwing it away is just a waste of money and the people of medway CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY FOR THAT - It is bad enough you are making unemployed people pay council tax - The amount of people I know who are on £75 or so a week and you want them to pay council tax shows me you have NO IDEA how real people are just about surviving in Medway - GET RID OF THE CHARGING UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE COUNCIL TAX NOW - it is abhorrent

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
you havent told us theapproach
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

This hospital is fine - To relocate it is too costly - You just need to put more money and get rid of the fat cats and make it good - Throwing it away is just a waste of money and the people of medway CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY FOR THAT - It is bad enough you are making unemployed people pay council tax - The amount of people I know who are on £75 or so a week and you want them to pay council tax shows me you have NO IDEA how real people are just about surviving in Medway - GET RID OF THE CHARGING UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE COUNCIL TAX NOW - it is abhorrent
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
arriva have a monmopoly and they dont even get buses there on time for the people

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
**Development Options Consultation**

**Online Questionnaire Responses**

*Respondent ID: 84*
*Name: nSarah Campbell*
*Type of respondent: Member of the public*

**Vision for Medway 2035**

*Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?*
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

**Strategic objectives**

*Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?*
Disagree

*Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:*
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

**Development options**

*Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option*

**Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**
2

**Option 2 - Suburban expansion**

**Option 3 - A rural focus**

**Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town**
1 (most preferred)

**Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.**
1 (most preferred)

*Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order*
anywhere that has good roads and does not detract from the local area in the way that any buildign along lordswood lane will - also nobody wants to buy a house right on top of an asbestos plant! ridiculous idea that is i woudln't buy by that place
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
get the old houses or near to the river medway and do that up - there are so many run down areas in chatham town that woudl be better as the place is a mess of detritus at the moemnt

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
as above

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
i do not suport rthe trashing of lordswood and i do support regeneration of chatham town center

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
stay in chatham town centre or make strood better - nobody likes chatham town centre or sterood at this time

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
as said previously

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
do up old run down areas - leave the green spaces around lordswood and hempstead alone - the garden of england will become the cessspit if you kill all our green land
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
just do up old run down areas and dont trash the beauty of kent

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
that woudl be like a gypsy farm

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
not as bad as the camper gypsy or other ideas

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
just make tghem go away and crush their caravans until they become human and stop trashing everywhere they go

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
put it in strood - it woudl make more sense than lordswood

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
there are not enough jobs in chatham to build so many homes on lordswood/capstone farm

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
town centre is a tip

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Any building around Lordswood Lane would be ridiculous - The area will be ruined - and there are many other areas that have more roads and infrastructure and would not be completely swamped other than Lordswood too many houses here already

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water front s and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

airport bad idea

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There is not enough thought for the road infrastructure. The congestion in medway is already at breaking point and increasing communities will place greater strain on the network.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
When attracting investment this will increase numbers to this area. The transport infrastructure needs improvement first before the building more houses.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
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Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
For example - When looking at the waste land around Medway City estate which looks like a dump - in particular the road after McDonalds - there is serious flood issues where water is not draining away and has eroded away the
roadside edges. Massive puddles which do not drain away. The dual carriage way leading to this area from Frinsbury (for example) has become very dangerous. Trying to get out of the junctions onto the carriageway is just an example of how the road network and infrastructure currently does not and will not support more housing/business development.

**Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

There is already business and housing in these areas.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

None

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Most people moved to Medway for it being rural so there is nothing preferred to support development

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?

As above

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

None as there is not enough rural areas left in Medway. Mainly in between road networks this is not usable space as it blighted by diesel and fuel emissions

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?

If Medway keeps relying on using rural space there will be nothing left. Making 'park like' areas never looks natural however it is designed it always looks false.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

There are already business and housing opportunities in these areas - any 'clear space' is already earmarked for development so Medway might as well continue in these specific areas until there is no space left - it will begin to look like London and the outskirts of London.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?

It is a shame that 'progress' is going to erode a rural pretty area - full of wild life and quiet.
**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Yes the wasteland around the Medway City estate area as this already has a road network which can be added to and needs to be added to for it to cope with the already chronic traffic situation which already exists.

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

*Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?*

Disagree

**Please explain your response:**

7.17 of the rural plan will be irradiated if this approach is taken in rural areas for the development of housing

*Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?*

Disagree

**Please explain your response:**

The infrastructure plan identifies the disproportionate number of van drivers in this area. It is already a massive issue in villages - by adding more housing it will increase this issue. With the expansion of schools in a village environment this has already had a detrimental and massive impact on the local area as there is not enough parking due to the number of people with vans.

*Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?*

Agree

**Please explain your response:**

This can only be agreed if the size of development allows for S106 monies to pay for new road network and infrastructure. One example is how many years is it taking to implement a better junction at Cuxton - three years we have needed a better traffic control system at Bush Road and this has still not happened. There must be an agreement for when the infrastructure is improved at the same time as new developments not years afterwards.

*Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?*

Agree

**Please explain your response:**

With the growing older population this is important - do not grant planning permission to bungalows to be changed into houses - this narrows down the number of suitable properties for the future which older or disabled people are likely to buy in the future.

*Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?*

Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Student growth is important to bring new people and skills into the area.

*Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?*

Agree
Please explain your response:
This is support the tourist element of the overall plan for well managed sites which are placed in pretty areas of Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The river community is important to an environment which lends itself to house boats due to the length of the River Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Yes in the towns HMO's are important for single or childless couples. The cost of rent must be within LHA rates to be affordable.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It has worked will in Holland - areas designated for self build will support those on low incomes to afford their own housing solution.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
If there are illegal camps think about making these into legal camps if the area facilitates it becoming permanent to increase the number of sites.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
There is not enough thought being given to the type of accommodation which will best suit older people. It is all well and good giving planning permission to increase accommodation size of a bungalow to a family sized house but this will increase parking issues in the area and decrease the number of suitable properties in the future - it is a short term gain but is not forward thinking enough as it currently stands.

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
There should be more thought given to expanding the existing employment estates for example Medway City. There is not enough investment in the area for large private sector employers. This part of Kent needs to encourage corporate investors which bring many more jobs to an area than small businesses. A good example is next to the Dartford Crossing where larger companies have settled.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Not enough focus on large scale private companies rather than small trade skill companies which increases the number of van drivers to the area.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
In Medway the only real tourist area is Rochester - there is little left of rural value for walkers to want to visit this area. The north downs is being eroded away with developments.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Rural areas needs to be retained for pretty tourist areas to open suitable visitor accommodation.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Yes keep the rural areas so people want to visit and board in the area for short breaks.

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Strood has become a real mess. It is impossible to drive around the area due to the weight of traffic and there is little parking to support local shops and businesses.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Improve the parking facilities so people can park and visit one shop quickly rather than having to look for a large car park and walk a distance to a shop - this will encourage a more sustainable retail community.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The area between Halling and Cuxton is a good example where the plan is not working. It has become a commuter corridor between m20 and m2. The new development at St Peters is going to have a massively detrimental impact on the natural environment and green belt.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
There needs to be more focus on the green belt areas remaining green belt without large developments.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree
Please explain your response:
The landscape needs to be sustained otherwise there will be no green space left except artificial areas built to try and compensate or give the illusion of 'open space' this is not the same as natural open space and will always remain - artificial.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Building homes on stilts in flood risk areas does not help. Crayford is a good example where underground car park areas became flooded when there was a serious water pipe leak. As houses are build the flood waters will keep moving to the lowest point - much of medway - Hoo and Cuxton is surrounded by natural flood areas - the water will always try to return to its natural point.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The air quality in this area has really reduced over recent years. If trying to walk up Cuxton Road to Ranscome the smell of fumes is overwhelming these days and not pleasant when the road is busy all day.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Hoo is an area which has open space to be developed however if Medway isn’t careful - this area will be as blighted as Dartford with the proposal of Option C as the road infrastructure cannot cope already but this does not mean digging up more rural areas to support development. Most people moved to Medway for a rural area.

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There is not enough information in this Section and therefore I cannot agree at this stage.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
As above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
As above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
As above
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
As above

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The increasing number of people using rural GP services when there are other GP services with better parking not being promoted.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Cuxton campaigned for a local chemist which was refused by NHS England - this would have been ideal for this area as not everyone uses the GP with a dispensing service in this area. This plan has already identified that without local amenities such as a post office, rural areas will not survive and yet a chemist to service the village was refused. This demonstrates how there needs to be more joined up working practices between the local authority and NHS services.

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 10 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn’t really set out what plans there are for the infrastructure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 10 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn’t really set out what plans there are for the infrastructure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 10 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn’t really set out what plans there are for the infrastructure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 10 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn’t really set out what plans there are for the infrastructure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree
Please explain your response:
There needs to be more sports area and where there are existing sports areas these needs to be well maintained and nurtured to remain usable by the local and visiting communities.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 10 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn't really set out what plans there are for the infrastructure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 10 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn't really set out what plans there are for the infrastructure.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Section 10 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn't really set out what plans there are for the infrastructure.

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 11 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn't really set out what plans there are for sustainable transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 11 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn't really set out what plans there are for sustainable transport and use of the River Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 11 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn’t really set out what plans there are for sustainable transport and use of the River Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Section 11 is very vague. It is a very wordy document but it doesn’t really set out what plans there are for marinas and moorings.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
It is already quiet frightening how low helicopters and similar aviation fly over this area. If there are more developments there is the potential for serious accidents should there be a malfunction and crash.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
It has already been identified how many people in Medway use vans for their work and yet no developments allow for these types of vehicles. Planning permission for garages which can rarely park a car inside unless it is a small 'city car' so people must use their driveways if they have one or park on the road. People who park in this area ignore road markings and will park on corners. As it is not policed people continue to do so which causes neighbour disputes. People are bringing their children distances to schools and use the local parking for their own. People visit GP practices pull up over peoples driveways and walk away giving no consideration to the fact they have just blocked people in. Any vehicle parking needs to consider these issues in the wider plans.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Please explain your response:
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Please explain your response:
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Please explain your response:
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Please explain your response:
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Please explain your response:
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.
Please explain your response:
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
The number of heavy goods vehicles in this area have made it impossible to safely use cycles as a mode of transport.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The vision appears to be trying to achieve a balanced response to competing demands of the community and the natural environment. It shows ambition in aiming for improvements in Medway which will maximise the area's assets for the benefit of all.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Up to now, I feel Medway has not made the most of its riverside position and it would be good to see this improve.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Option 2 - Suburban expansion
Option 3 - A rural focus
Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I find it impossible to rank the options. The situation is too complex.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Mixed use of land near to the river to include housing. Higher density housing may be a good way forward, but see below
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
How can the infrastructure be built to support higher density housing? Roads are already overloaded, causing air quality concerns, hospital and other NHS services are not coping, more education places will be needed.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of up to 3000 homes at Lodge Hill. This area should be protected because it has rare birds, butterflies, grasses etc with well established woodland. The area has been largely undisturbed for many years. Capstone Valley should also be protected. It is a local asset enjoyed by many people who live in Medway. What would the “infrastructure upgrades” be? How would it be possible to prevent “an unacceptable negative impact on existing communities”? Would it be possible to prevent the promotion of unsustainable travel patterns?

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Expanded villages and Hoo as a small town might be desirable, BUT how would the roads cope with the high level of additional traffic?

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of up to 3000 homes at Lodge Hill. This area should be protected because it has rare birds, butterflies, grasses etc with well established woodland. The area has been largely undisturbed for many years. Capstone Valley should also be protected. It is a local asset enjoyed by many people who live in Medway.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This option may offer a fairer distribution of new developments across all of Medway.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of up to 3000 homes at Lodge Hill. This area should be protected because it has rare birds, butterflies, grasses etc with well established woodland. The area has been largely undisturbed for many years. Capstone Valley should also be protected. It is a local asset enjoyed by many people who live in Medway.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
Is it possible to make more use of land near the M2 motorway for development to minimise pressures on the A2 and other main roads?
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Affordable homes for local people must be a priority.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Affordable homes for local people must be a priority.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Affordable housing must be priced realistically, so that many people have access to this option.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Affordable homes for local people must be a priority.

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
I support an increase in employment opportunities in Medway which may reduce commuting to outside of the area and possibly reduce traffic.

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I am pleased to see allotments are included. If there is more high density housing, there will be a greater need for access to open spaces for gardening, walking etc.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
We need cheaper bus travel in Medway, with more frequent services in some places, to reduce car use.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water fronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

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Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
with urban expansion comes higher traffic volumes, lower Rainham with existing development and proposed development has and will suffer from increased pollution from vehicle emissions, noise and traffic congestion, this will inevitably be the case throughout the towns. having read the documentation it is clear that the B2004 station rd and lower Rainham rd have not been considered as a priority for any type of bypass or upgrading. I wish to ensure that the road infrastructure is a priority.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
not enough emphasis on dealing with the environmental impact on rural areas.

Development options

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5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
5 (least preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I fully understand the need for development, my problem is that the first order of business should be a substantive plan for the road infrastructure, piecemeal development is taking place on a massive scale in Rainham without any consideration given to the local road plan this is not acceptable.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
When the northern relief road A289 was constructed, some objections were raised that the existing road infrastructure in Rainham would not cope with the increase in traffic volumes, promises were made that improved links would be made to access the northern relief road A289 via a bypass through Rainham, this did not happen, and concerns over traffic problems came true, these problems can only get worse with the proposed expansion and additional development in the Rainham area, IMPROVED LINKS MUST NOW HAPPEN, or alternatively a motorway access road 4a between junction 4 and junction 5 at the motorway service area, this is essential if Medway council are not simply allowing development and expansion as a means of increasing revenue by following blindly the political dogma of national Government. If Medway council are serious about the local plan then lobbying should be made by our local MP and local councilors to secure the funds to improve these links.

Suburban expansion
Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
as option 1

A rural focus
Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
as option 1&2

Urban regeneration and rural town
Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
As option 1,2&3

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development
Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Local Plan approach to policy development

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
The N.P.P.F. Puts pressure on local Govt. to supply more housing this should be tempered with the need for roads first then development, as was the position with the Northern relief road A289.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
Development should be sympathetic with local areas.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
Affordable housing does not exist. it is a means for developers to fit more houses per acre.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
new schools should be built when the number of homes increases by a set number.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Over development and urban expansion into the greenbelt due to a perceived need to increase housing does not and never will deal with the route cause of the problem. Simple maths: too many people too little space. Medway cannot continue to build more and more houses, expand road networks, overload hospitals etc etc. when all the green belt is houses, what then? Flatten them and build flats? Control the need for expansion and then attract people to the midlands/north. Like most things in life/nature, it’s about a balance.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
It can work well without being continually built on! Quality of life is not being shoulder to shoulder like cattle. Invest in the environment, investment is not about building on it.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.

1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Brownfield sites but very limited development. Deal with the problem - the influx of people into the South East. Providing housing and employment does not deal with the imbalance and the issue. Providing housing and employment only serves to encouraging the problem of over population in this area.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it. The Hoo Peninsula cannot support this level of continued development. Lodge Hill as an example, a SSSI should not be developed, what does it take to protect an area?

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Yes, cut the influx of people in the first place, encourage people to live in areas better suited to cope. It’s simple maths after all. Failing that, read up on Darwin.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Excessive development in the area
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Excessive development in the area

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Excessive development in the area

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Excessive development in the area

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Excessive development in the area

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Excessive development in the area. How is this sustainable!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
What contribution do these individuals make to the area, financial etc etc.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Cut the influx of people = less demand for jobs and more opportunities for people already living in the area.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Cut the influx of people = less demand for jobs and more opportunities for people already living in the area. Less impact on the environment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Provides income for businesses.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Access should be limited

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
But it's not robust/strong enough

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree
Please explain your response:
But it's not enough

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:
But Medway Council then go and approve or even promote further development!

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the pressure on schools etc is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the pressure is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the pressure on schools etc is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the requirement is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the requirement is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the requirement is removed.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the requirement is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the requirement is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the requirement is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Remove the problem of continual influx of people and the requirement is removed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

*Respondent ID: 89*
*Name: Peter and Valerie Richardson*
*Type of respondent: Member of the public Business*

**Vision for Medway 2035**

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Hopefully you will remember the words written about the natural environment when the time comes and act accordingly. All too often statements like this are forgotten in the name of 'ambitious growth'.

**Strategic objectives**

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Ambition should not override 'natural surroundings'.

**Development options**

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

**Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

1 (most preferred)

**Option 2 - Suburban expansion**

3

**Option 3 - A rural focus**

5 (least preferred)

**Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town**

4

**Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.**

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:

We have a finite amount of countryside which should be protected for its own sake. Agricultural land is precious as we are a net importer of food, so should be protected at all costs. Do not agree with the movement or partial movement of Medway City Estate as this sits on a main east/west route and is thus convenient. Expansion outside
Kingsnorth not acceptable due to the opening points raised here and the fact there is really only one way in and out of it..

**Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Precious and finite countryside should be protected for its own sake, so should agricultural land as we are a net importer of food. To maximise the potential of the urban areas would help achieve above.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Moving parts of Medway City Estate to Kingsnorth is not acceptable as this would require the despoilment of the countryside. Also Medway City Estate sits conveniently on a main east/west route which Kingsnorth does not.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

It this is done properly, it may help, but above everything we must protect our precious and finite countryside. Suburban expansion should not be undertaken at the expense of the countryside.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Have some concerns about your ‘green infrastructure’. Does this mean you are thinking of sanitising natural open countryside. And what about areas outside of this shaded ‘green infrastructure’? Above all suburban expansion should be at the expense of our countryside.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Hands off the countryside! It must be protected at all costs as per the spirit of your planning objectives.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Countryside is finite and precious and when it’s gone, it won’t come back so must be protected for all generations.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Nothing

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Do not try to dress this up by calling it a ‘rural town’. This would be unacceptable development on open countryside including precious agricultural land.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

It should be remembered Brexit may reduce the number of new homes required.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Remember Brexit may lower the requirement for housing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Remember Brexit may lower the requirement for housing.

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Please remember the importance of open countryside/agricultural land.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
We need to protect the countryside for it’s own sake as well as agricultural land. Your policy statement is too ambiguous.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
We need to protect the countryside for it’s own sake as well as agricultural land. Your policy statement is too ambiguous.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
We need to protect the countryside for its own sake as well as agricultural land. Your policy statement is too ambiguous.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Brexit may reduce the need for housing.

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Brexit may reduce the need for healthcare.
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Brexit may reduce some infrastructure needs.

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 90
Name: Peter Richard Styles
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
A new town at Lodge Hill is not needed to meet housing needs in Medway and Kent more generally. An SSSI should not be built upon. The Medway valley merits protection as a green lung between the Medway towns, the sprawl of Maidstone and conurbations in East Kent. Garden city sites are available for development already on partially brownfield sites at Ebbsfleet (approved) and Manston (potential.) Within Medway the focus should be more specifically on regeneration of the shockingly run down centre of Chatham, which has plenty of potential for conversion of sixties and seventies office blocks and redevelopment of disused retail premises to provide modern, higher density housing within walking distance of the railway station.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
More specific focus needed on use of railway connections, possibility of a high speed "rail bypass" and overall protection of the rural environment.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

3

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Suburban and urban sprawl must be resisted.

**Maximising the potential of urban regeneration**

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

More development of rail links and concentration of development around railway stations.

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
More intense housing development in run down town centres and near railway stations.

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
More intense housing development in town centres.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Less and more expensive car parking in city centres is appropriate; more support for railway expansion.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
A high speed "rail bypass".

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Greater density in old town centres.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Deserves more emphasis.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No more new roads! Concentrate on rail links instead.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

No new roads should be built. Invest instead on new rail links.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Make it more expensive and more difficult, with exception of park and ride.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments
Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
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Respondent ID: 91
Name: Phil Taylor
Type of respondent: Business

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Chatham Docks is not protected under the current draft vision. If mixed use development is maintained then Medway and the country will lose forever one of its most valuable infrastructure assets. The Economic Development Workshop 22 February delivered a clear Medway Strategy; Importance of industrial waterfront High value quality employment Better use of the river Links with the Universities and Chatham UTC All of the above is currently being delivered from Chatham Docks. Allowing further development will destroy this asset and result in loss of high value employment for up to 150 local people employed in my business and all the other businesses located in the Docks, together with the support companies supplying goods and services to the businesses in the Docks.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
To comply with the second objective, Chatham Docks must not be permitted to go in the Local Plan 2035 as mixed use development

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Reinvigorate Chatham town centre by demolishing the Pentagon Centre and building a modern facility that people want to visit and businesses want to come to. 'Build it and they will come.'

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
However ensure the affordable housing is of sufficient quality that residence will respect and enjoy living in them. Think about the same quality of the housing stock of the 50's & 60's

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Protect Chatham Docks for quality employment opportunities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Rebuild The Pentagon Centre

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Protect Chatham Docks because it is an important part of the local infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Help Gillingham FC build a new stadium which would release land for housing development in Gillingham

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Protect Chatham Docks for river based transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Chatham Docks is not protected under the current Plan

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Chatham Docks is not protected under the current Plan

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Make all parking in Chatham & Gillingham public car park town centres free

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 92
Name: R Hoad
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035
Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
the south east of England is already over populated and the infrastructure cannot cope with any further expansion

Strategic objectives
Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree
Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
your objectives farcical and are not based on any achievable targets or aims

Development options
Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
as stated previously the Medway towns are already over populated and the infrastructure is crumbling - without the need for any of these pie in the sky dreams
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All - there is not room for further expansion

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None - there is no room for further population expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All - there is no room for further population expansion

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
It is blatantly obvious that the council is not to be trusted as it has no regard for the environment and associated green belt - there is no room for further development without annihilating the existing rural areas.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
As per previous comments

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None - there is no room for further expansion - roads such as the M2 / A2 and A229 are already way over capacity

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All - There is no room for further expansion all major routes in Medway are way over capacity already - have nay council members tried commuting along the A2 between Strood and Gravesend in the mornin rush hour - obviously not

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
If further population growth is necessary (which in my view it is not) there are other options elsewhere within the country that have capacity to accept growth in population
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
no room for population growth

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
no room for population growth

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:
no room for population growth

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
no room for population growth

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:
no room for population growth

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Disagree why should they not pay like every one else

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Yes - elsewhere in the UK

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:
no room for population growth

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism? 
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation? 
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres? 
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:
If the council gets it way there will be no green belt left

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:
If the council gets it way there will be no green belt left
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
If the council gets it way there will be no green belt left

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Why are you intending to build on known flood plains

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:
There is no room for any further housing developments in Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Current arrangements are a joke and if the councils anticipated 'regeneration' goes ahead the there will be even less support available

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
current arrangements are dreadful - and based on councils previous lack of effort in this regard there will be a total lack of infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Schools are overcrowded already

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Current arrangements are poor and will not be able to cope with further population expansion

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 93
Name: Rachael Noxon
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
3

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Hard to rank as there are features of each that I like and dislike
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Support redevelopment of the Medway City Estate although not all businesses will function away from a residential area

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Not in support of the Lodge Hill development

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Properly planned and designed expansion of Hoo and Rainham etc

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support the Lodge Hill development

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support the Lodge Hill development

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Planned and designed expansion of Hoo

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Lodge Hill development

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
I think the Kingsnorth site should be appraised for housing use in place of Lodge Hill and consideration given to a substantial investment in the highway to accommodate possibly to incorporate a fastrack bus lane link to the train station.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:
Consider social isolation in the planning and location of these. Transport links etc. Consider specifying for details like kitchen sink facing communal area. Larger front gardens with seating areas rather than private back gardens to encourage and facilitate socialising. Installation of Bottom Washing loos (!) to support independance, dignity and reduce social care needs.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 94
Name: rachel pascall-smith
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Current growth not backed up with infrastructure. Impact on growth not accounted for in transport systems, health especially Medway hospital and schools.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Objectives are very generic and need to be more specific. How are these measurable?

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option.

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:
Don't agree with any of them. I don't want my rural location expanded and this is included in all options. Too many housing developments in my rural location already with appalling transport links and no promised improvements or improvements offered/suggested are actually counter productive.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Nine

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Don’t want my rural location expanded.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Don’t want my rural location expanded.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Don’t want my rural location expanded.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Don’t want my rural location expanded.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
Outside small village rural locations.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Too many new housing developments already with no infrastructure.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I broadly agree in principle to the Vision for Medway as described below.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I agree with the above objectives, especially the statements regarding quality of life and believe that this should be the focus of the objectives for our future.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
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Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I believe that a balanced scenario as proposed in Option 4 would cause minor impact to numerous areas rather than the major impact to specific areas as detailed in other scenarios ensuring that the impact and responsibility for delivering future services and infrastructure for Medway is shared across the whole community.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I believe that the redevelopment of Chatham Docks and Medway City Estate are appropriate uses for the areas and would have minimal impact on surrounding communities.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I strongly oppose the proposed plans for the relocation of Gillingham Football Club and feel that the impact on the surrounding community would be too significant to be considered as an appropriate use for the land at Mill Hill.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The suburban area plan seems able to deliver significantly on the required housing for the future needs of the community

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I think the pressure that would be placed on the suburban would need to be carefully managed to ensure that the impact of the plan is not too severe on the community

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The expansion of Hoo St Werburgh into a small rural town appears to have a lot of merit.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Once again I am strongly opposed to the proposed plans for the relocation of Gillingham Football Club and feel that the impact on the surrounding community would be too significant to be considered as an appropriate use for the land at Mill Hill.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I feel that a balanced approach is the best way to proceed taking the lowest impact and most productive parts of each of the other options are taken forward and spreading the impacts across the widest areas of the community would result in no one community having to be too severely impacted in order to support the growing needs of Medway. Also the balanced plan gives Medway the best opportunity to adapt to changing and unforeseen conditions in the future.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Care should still be taken to ensure that the development does not result in a substantial impact to quality of life for existing communities
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

I am sure that there are multiple options similar to Option 4 which would allow Medway to meet the needs of the future without having a drastic impact on the way of life for any one community.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway, however care should be made when considering the policy in regards to the Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople community to ensure their presence does not overly affect existing established communities.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I believe that the Social care is a rising issue and am encouraged by the policy.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Care should be taken to ensure that the local community as a whole is considered when decisions are made with respect to this policy.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
None that come to mind

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree that this seems to meet the needs for Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree that this seems to meet the needs for Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree that this seems to meet the needs for Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree that this seems to meet the needs for Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I am very concerned by Section 10.25 of this policy as I believe that the relocation of Gillingham Football Club would have a devastating impact on the community surrounding the Mill Hill site both on match days and the stated ambition of the football club to host concerts at the site. Also, the statement that ‘The Council will work alongside Gillingham FC to develop an appropriate strategy to secure the club’s future development in Medway.’ Needs to make sure that the local and affected communities are the among the top considerations when reviewing any plans for the club’s future.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree that this seems to meet the needs for Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree
I agree that this seems to meet the needs for Medway.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree.

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree.

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water fronts and river access?
Agree.

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree.

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree.

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree.

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
**Development Options Consultation**  
**Online Questionnaire Responses**

*Respondent ID: 96*  
*Name: Rob Norton*  
*Type of respondent: Member of the public*

**Vision for Medway 2035**

*Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?*  
Disagree

*Please explain your response:*  
The proposed levels of development go beyond just being impractical, they are insane. The area is grossly overcrowded at the moment and seeking to meet a 20% increase is not possible or desirable.

**Strategic objectives**

*Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?*  
Disagree

*Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:*  
Medway only just manages with the present level of occupation. With a 20% increase the infrastructure would be overwhelmed. Most of the natural surroundings would be obliterated by developments. The quality of life in such overcrowding would be appalling and no sane person would wish to invest there or be associated with the place in any manner

**Development options**

*Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option*

*Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration*  
5 (least preferred)

*Option 2 - Suburban expansion*  
5 (least preferred)

*Option 3 - A rural focus*  
5 (least preferred)

*Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town*  
5 (least preferred)

*Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.*  
1 (most preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Tell the government in the most forceful manner that their figures are wrong and and are not accepted in any sense. Make it very clear that we live here and won't allow the place that we live in to be destroyed because of their incompetence.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None, it appears to have been compiled by a psychopath.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of the options have an emphasis on over development which will not work. They should all be rejected and a more practical approach taken.

Suburban expansion
Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This appears to have been compiled by a psychopath

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of the options have an emphasis on over development which will not work. They should all be rejected and a more practical approach taken.

A rural focus
Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None, this appears to have been compiled by a psychopath too.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of the options have an emphasis on over development which will not work. They should all be rejected and a more practical approach taken.

Urban regeneration and rural town
Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None, only a psychopath could make proposals like this

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of the options have an emphasis on over development which will not work. They should all be rejected and a more practical approach taken.
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Utilise the existing brownfield sites as far as possible. Completely exclude any development on greenfield sites. The area is already too overcrowded and overdeveloped. Tell the government that no more development is possible and that their forecasts are simply insane.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
It will not be possible to build an additional 29,000 houses without inflicting excessive damage to the environment and causing excessive overcrowding.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Utilise the existing brownfield sites as far as possible. Completely exclude any development on greenfield sites. The area is already too overcrowded and overdeveloped. Tell the government that no more development is possible and that their forecasts are simply insane.

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Utilise the existing brownfield sites as far as possible. Completely exclude any development on greenfield sites. The area is already too overcrowded and overdeveloped. Tell the government that no more development is possible and that their forecasts are simply insane.
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Utilise the existing brownfield sites as far as possible. Completely exclude any development on greenfield sites. The area is already too overcrowded and overdeveloped. Tell the government that no more development is possible and that their forecasts are simply insane.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The green belt may be protected, but most of the land is not green belt and the local plan seeks to destroy much of it.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The level of development being proposed would ensure that air quality falls to unacceptable levels

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Utilise the existing brownfield sites as far as possible. Completely exclude any development on greenfield sites. The area is already too overcrowded and overdeveloped. Tell the government that no more development is possible and that their forecasts are simply insane.
Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Utilise the existing brownfield sites as far as possible. Completely exclude any development on greenfield sites. The area is already too overcrowded and overdeveloped. Tell the government that no more development is possible and that their forecasts are simply insane.

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The level of development being proposed would inevitably cause a severe severe increase in both physical and mental health problems.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Utilise the existing brownfield sites as far as possible. Completely exclude any development on greenfield sites. The area is already too overcrowded and overdeveloped. Tell the government that no more development is possible and that their forecasts are simply insane.

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The existing system underperforms and is not fit for purpose - get it sorted out before even considering any further developments.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The existing broadband infrastructure belongs in a third world country - get it sorted out before thinking about any increase in the population.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There will not be any open spaces left if the insane level of development in this plan goes ahead

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The dictatorial, centrally planned approach is more akin to North Korea than a country that is supposed to be a democracy

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Utilise the existing brownfield sites as far as possible. Completely exclude any development on greenfield sites. The area is already too overcrowded and overdeveloped. Tell the government that no more development is possible and that their forecasts are simply insane.

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
A 20% increase in the population will make all forms of transport impractical.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
A 20% increase in the population will make all forms of transport impractical.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Please explain your response:
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
The local plan is fundamentally flawed and needs to be re-written
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 97
Name: Robert Wells
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree with the option for Urban regeneration and making better use of brown field sites with the exception of developing Lodge Hill.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
see previous comment

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option.

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I only agree with Option one
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Development and improvement in and around the towns is to be encouraged

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
See above

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Better consideration should be given to property sizes, adequate car parking is necessary particularly in rural areas, as people have cars, and very often two or more, Road sizes should be sufficiently sized to cater for this so as to minimise on street parking.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Employment opportunities are to be encouraged.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Building on all grades of Agricultural land must be discouraged as with a rising population food production is essential, if it is home grown it reduces our reliance on imports.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Employers should be encouraged to employ people who live in the area.

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Building on Green belt and areas of outstanding natural beauty should be avoided

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Houses should be designed with more space around them and adequate off road parking for each dwelling not in communal areas.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
see comment above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Adequate infrastructure is important and should be in place before any development takes place. All developers large and small should contribute towards this preferably prior to work starting.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is essential that there are sufficient school places for every child in the locality of where they live. Long journeys to school should be discouraged.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Adequate utility infrastructure must be determined and put in place before development takes place and should be fully funded by the developers.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Before any development consideration must be given to road access, this is a particular problem on the Hoo peninsula as the only practical access is via the Four Elms Roundabout and even now has regular snarl ups and if the road is closed for any reason the peninsular is cut off, alternative means of access must be explored before any more appreciable expansion takes place.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:
All new properties must have adequate off road parking.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 98
Name: Russell Smith
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
This area is currently too crowded with busy roads, undercapacity hospitals, oversubscribed schools. The only real solution is to encourage movement outside the area or to develop greenfield areas where infrastructure can be developed.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Not enough concentration on the quality of life for those who already live here.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None. Urban areas are already too busy.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Overcrowding already crowded areas.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Nothing. Suburbs are already too crowded.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Overcrowding of crowded areas.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Developing rural areas means that the proper infrastructure can be put in place without overcrowding existing urban and suburban areas. Gives the possibility for new schools, new hospital, new businesses etc.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Only the rural elements

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The urban regeneration.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Just make sure that there is enough off-road parking, enough support roads, houses are of reasonable size inside.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Complete mix required.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Nursing homes should be strictly non-profit and affordable.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Too many students within Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No thanks, not necessary.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Really, concentrate on the land.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Everybody deserves their own space.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not acceptable.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Concentrate on humans rather than the environment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Too much money is spent on green infrastructure at the expense of the taxpayer.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
DO NOT build in areas at risk of flood - builds problems for the future.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Up to car manufacturers to address air quality.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Keep houses large inside.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I imagine that this is too dense. Housebuilders seeking to maximise profit at the expense of people’s lives.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
A new hospital is needed - Medway hospital does not have enough capacity.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
New schools needed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Alternative routes are needed to get around Medway. For example, the lower Rainham Road should be opened up to give an alternative route to the A2 and M2. Do not overcrowd existing roads. New ways around the towns are needed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Disagree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Expand the airport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Give as much parking as possible. Buses are far too expensive so cars are needed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Please explain your response:
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Please explain your response:
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Please explain your response:
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Please explain your response:
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Please explain your response:
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

Please explain your response:
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Too many cycles around, slowing down traffic.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I am disgusted that the proposals put to the planning inspector allowing the desecration of the land at gibraltar farm. this land should NOT be built upon (love to know who bribed who to get this one through) it is wrong - the area cannot take the impact on services and the road network. this MUST be storred before we lose all our wonderful green spaces to this - the GARDEN of england is turning in to a building site with no green spaces any more for us to nurture and protect

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
if you build on all that is green and beautiful - All you will get is a pit of concrete, the local area cannot sustain more people and more cars as it is not able to do that the people who live here now have problems so putting tons more people in is just ridiculous

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
4

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
doup the unused spaces we have now that are already concrete places - NOT the green land we all treasure and love

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
i ONLY support us doing up what we already have and NOT ruining the local area with more houses built on green spaces. We have many areas that have old and busted building on them - we have many spaces in strood etc that are just horrid to look at - we shoudl ALWAYS do up before building more on green areas

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
i do not support the building on gibraltar farm - that is a precious piece of GREEN land and areas where wildlife is - we cannot have thousands more people in this area - there is no room

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
this is not about your options as none of them fit - we NEED and MUST look at making good of what we HAVE and not justtrashling the beauty of kent and making it look like london all concrete and no trees or green spaces to enjoy

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
i do NOT support you building on gibraltar farm as the hospital is overfilled - there is no parkin in this area already and we NEED to look after what we have and NOT turn medway into a concrete jungle

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
if we build in run down areas of strood or hoo or even maybe rochester - then at least they have spaces that will not be ruined by these development ideas

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
to build anything on gibraltar farm area - would be a sin on our precious environment

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
i only support ficxing up the old not letting the old rot and building new - we could make the old places look great - and KEEP our green spaces

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
the people of this planet need to understand how we NEED the green areas they are important - MORE importantthan housing - this is not OUR planet- we are just ‘renting’ and should not desecrate it
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

so you buy up old decrepit houses or land and regenerate those areas so they look nicer instead of ruinging a perfectly nice area of natural neauty

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
it is like you people dont listen to the people - NOBODY wants this - and yet - you just do not listen to the people who know what this world gives to us - air for one!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
only a mix of regenerating old houses and using land already built upon that has decrepit buildings on it - that is all we should do to protect our land

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
the housing you are talking of will not be affordable to the people who you are thinking of as they HAVE NO MONEY and could never afford these overpriced boxes

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
if you mean the ‘travellers’ they should - every single time the SQUAT on peoples land - have their caravans taken and CRUSHED - then and only then when they learn a lesson will they start to RESPECT the law and other peoples land - giving them everything and not making them accountable for what they ruin is playing in to their hands

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
as above travellers should lose their caravans and they should be crushed until they RESPECT the land they are on - who gave them the right to put ten ton of rubbish on someone else's land and then leave it leaving thousands of pounds of debt on the poor person they inflicted this on - They get NOTHING until they EARN the right to be treated better by them treating the land around them better and having some respect for others, i would give them nothing - send them away with no caravan and continue to do so - and like petulant children they will learn - eventually - that you reap what you sow

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
no1 - you do NOT build on Gibraltar farm! No2 - travellers are not children - they are adults who need to know the LAW applies to ALL. so if they will not adhere to the law - they will reap the new laws that should be made to crush all squatter caravans immediately, when one has nothing - one starts to treasure what one does hand/ No3 - you get all the old decrepit buildings or sites like thos ein strood or wigmore that are already built on but they are old and decrepit buildings - compulsory purchase them and bring them back in to use. this was the GREEN land around us will be treasured and kept as it is - as nature gifted it to us - untarnished

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
if there is work - they will then come
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
if there were decent sops - peopel would come - but fact is = the shops are not what they were 20yrs ago

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
we MUST MUST MUST keep our green land - NO bui;lding no Gibraltar farm or any other green land - ONLY build on already built on land that is already tarnished

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Making that god awful airport bigger - really doesnt help -noise pollution and its horrid

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
If we treasure what we have - The answres would be easy - Its not about money - its about humanity getting respect for the world that feeds us

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
too much building in chatham and hempstead - NO uilding in gibraltar farm area as it is unsustainable with the surrounding area here -too many people already in this area

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
DO NOT BUILD ON OUR GREEN LANDS

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:
GENERALLY YOU SHOULDL NOT BE MAKING NEW BEFORE trashing the old

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
my daughter is not getting one tbh - whats the point of pasing the !!+ if you go to grammar and they are not teaching you to the standard you are at?  a bright child need work to their level - But - seems the school are unable to do that - I am very upset by the lack of schooling for my bright child - who has done the same thing so many times with multiple substitute teachers who are all eejits by the sems of it

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
MORE open space needed for peple to walk and get exercise in
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Arriva buses are useless - They lie and are not up to the job - The kids get to stand at bus stops waiting for buses the council paid their asses for - and the company have ridiculous excuses and if you complain they ban you from their site! We ned another company so Arriva have competition then they might actually put some effort in

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
rochester airport should NOT be made bigger - its too noisy already

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Respondent ID: 100
Name: Sally Duff
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
3

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
5 (least preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

N/A

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

N/A

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

N/A

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

N/A

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

N/A

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree
Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree
Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree
Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree
Please explain your response:
N/A

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
N/A

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree
Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree
Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

   Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

   N/A

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

   Agree

Please explain your response:

N/A

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

   N/A

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

   Agree

Please explain your response:

N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

   Agree

Please explain your response:

N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

   Agree

Please explain your response:

N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

   Agree

Please explain your response:

N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?

   Agree
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
N/A

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
N/A

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
N/A

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
N/A

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water fronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking? 
Disagree

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking? 
N/A

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity? 
N/A

Please explain your response:
N/A

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below 
N/A

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning? 
N/A

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning? 
N/A

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy? 
N/A

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies? 
N/A
Please explain your response:
N/A

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
N/A

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
N/A
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I believe strongly that whilst growth is possibly needed in Medway it is very important to have a balance of towns and countryside. If possible I believe that any potential new houses should be close to the existing towns and the countryside should be protected, otherwise there will be no wildlife left in this part of Kent. Lodge Hill is an area which has fabulous wildlife and should be preserved for future generations. There is too much development occurring in North Kent and our part of the Garden of Kent is fast disappearing to leave North Kent looking like a cemented terrace backyard, at the detriment of losing precious wildlife. Please reconsider any plans for destroying Kent’s countryside in Medway.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don’t know/No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for water fronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The plans thus far have focused on the increase in the population of Medway, irrespective of the fact that the road and rail infrastructure is inadequate for the current population, let alone an expanded one. In addition, school places are limited at the present time, and access to GPs is poor at best. This vision fails to encompass anything that will benefit the residents of Medway, either today or tomorrow.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
These are all admirable aspirations, but the evidence provided over the last 6 months shows that Medway Council have no regard for achieving this. As mentioned previously, road congestion is appalling, and access to school places and doctors is poor. With regards to being connected to the natural surroundings, the constant development on every piece of green space in Medway proves that Medway Council couldn’t be less connected to their natural surroundings if they tried.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Option 1: Development in Strood cannot continue at its rampant pace. The roads in Strood simply cannot cope with the current population, and further expansion will only serve to exacerbate the current issues. Option 2: Significant expansion around Hoo will require substantial investment in the infrastructure in the area to ensure that the roads, rail links, broadband, etc are not overwhelmed. The current state appears to be troubled at the moment. Option 3: See option 2 Option 4: Of the four proposed developments, this appears to have the fewest problems for local residents associated with it. Consider it the "least worst", rather than the "best". Option 5: The four options set out have been constructed with little foresight and almost no understanding of the issues that currently face residents in the local area. Try again.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

None

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Continued rampant development on almost all areas of green space in Strood with no regard for the welfare of those currently living in the immediate vicinity, nor those who will be moving into the new properties, and will struggle to find school spaces, doctor's appointments, parking spaces, etc. The roads are inadequate to deal with current traffic flow, and this plan has no consideration for those that will be forced to make use of the gridlocked streets going forward.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Development in Hoo area, where there is actually some space

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Roads around that area are regularly congested. Investment in infrastructure is necessary to avoid the roads being overwhelmed.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Less impact on already-crammed urban areas

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

As before, the roads will need to be improved (particularly around Grain) for this to be a success.
Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Rainham development results in less pressure on Rochester/Strood/Chatham area

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
As before, significant infrastructure investments are needed for such a plan to be a success, otherwise the roads, public transport, schools and medical facilities will not be able to cope

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
N/A

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The current evidence shows that Medway Council intend to build on every piece of green space that they can, regardless of the impacts on existing residents. Schools, doctors, etc are already at or over capacity, and there has been no information on how this will be addressed, even before the arrival of an additional 30,000 homes.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The document contains a lot of words, but actually says almost nothing. There is nothing in the policy approach section that is concrete and unambiguous, leading me to believe that Medway Council do not know how to deliver their requirements, assuming they know what is required of them in the first place.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Again, this text is ambiguous and is open to interpretation. This text serves no purpose.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The most vague piece yet. "Is well designed" is simply not enough information. How is it going to be well designed?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree
Student accommodation is a must, with higher education establishments in the area.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Nothing to add.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Nothing to add

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This is sensible, but given the applications that have recently been approved, I doubt that Medway Council has considered this anything more than a box-ticking exercise.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
N/A

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
More sites are not needed. Improvements to existing sites would serve the community better

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
N/A

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This seems like the bare minimum that is required

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This seems like the bare minimum that is required

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree
Please explain your response:
This policy is basic and ambiguous

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Ambiguous

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
It’s been ignored by the council anyway. What’s the point?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It would be nice if such plans were adhered to.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
This plan does not go anywhere near far enough to protect important open areas.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
This plan is weak, and does not cover the basic of what is required.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It would be nice if this were enforced, but so far all evidence is to the contrary.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
Evidence from the last three months says that this is being ignored.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
Evidence from the last three months says that this is also being ignored.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
This ambiguous policy can be interpreted in so many different ways it has been rendered useless.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
This is being ignored.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
This does not go far enough.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
"Existing open spaces shall be protected from loss"

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
"Inadequacies in infrastructure arising from proposed development should be mitigated"

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
"Refuse development where its residual cumulative impacts are severe"

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 103
Name: Santosh Mall
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
In general I agree.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I agree with these objectives in particular the quality of life

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
I feel a balanced plan is the best way forward as opposed to major impact in any single area or to any single community.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

By redeveloping Medway City Estate and Chatham Docks, I believe that this would be a suitable use for the areas and would have a lesser impact on the surrounding communities.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

I am in very strong opposition of the plans for the relocation of Gillingham Football Club as I feel it will have a very significant and negative impact on the surrounding community. I feel this negative impact far outweighs any consideration for the use of Mill Hill.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

I feel the suburban area plan will be able to deliver significantly on the required housing for the future needs of the community.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

So as not to have too severe an impact on the community, the suburban plan will need to be carefully managed.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

I believe the expansion of Hoo St Werburgh into a small rural town has a lot of merit.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Once again I am strongly opposed to the proposed plans for the relocation of Gillingham Football Club and feel that the impact on the surrounding community would be too significant to be considered as an appropriate use for the land at Mill Hill.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

I feel that a balanced approach is the best way to proceed taking the lowest impact and most productive parts of each of the other options are taken forward and spreading the impacts across the widest areas of the community would result in no one community having to be too severely impacted in order to support the growing needs of Medway. Also the balanced plan gives Medway the best opportunity to adapt to changing and unforeseen conditions in the future.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Care should still be taken to ensure that the development does not result in a substantial impact to quality of life for existing communities.
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
I am sure that there are multiple options similar to Option 4 which would allow Medway to meet the needs of the future without having a drastic impact on the way of life for any one community.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I believe that this policy will address the future needs of Medway.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway, however care should be made when considering the policy in regards to the Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople community to ensure their presence does not overly affect existing established communities.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I believe that the Social care is a rising issue and am encouraged by the policy.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:
This policy appears to address the future needs of Medway

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Care should be taken to ensure that the local community as a whole is considered when decisions are made with respect to this policy.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

I am very concerned by Section 10.25 of this policy as I believe that the relocation of Gillingham Football Club would have a devastating impact on the community surrounding the Mill Hill site both on match days and the stated ambition of the football club to host concerts at the site. Also, the statement that 'The Council will work alongside Gillingham FC to develop an appropriate strategy to secure the club’s future development in Medway.' Needs to make sure that the local and affected communities are the among the top considerations when reviewing any plans for the club's future.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?  
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?  
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?  
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?  
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?  
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?  
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 104
Name: Sarah Arnold
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The general gist sounds good, if these are serious plans and not just lip-service. BUT... Environment (i.e. biodiversity, habitats and ecosystems) needs to feature more highly. It isn't a strategic priority at all at present and barely gets mentioned in the Vision.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
It's generally fine but I think "connected to its natural surroundings" needs to be changed to "with its natural surroundings integrated into, and benefiting from, its activity". "Works well" needs to be properly measurable.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
1. Lodge Hill should not be developed. The environmental importance of this site is too great. The country needs this site more than the proposed homeowners.  
2. Medway is filling its development sites with the wrong kinds of housing. We need more medium-density affordable homes for less than £250K. People in Medway mostly cannot afford £300K+ homes.   
3. Development needs to be kept away from the most biodiversity-rich sites, especially Riverside Country Park, Cliffe and Capstone. Developing up to the edge of them WILL damage them. We cannot afford that in the future.  
4. The council should focus on 100% occupancy of existing property, converting empty shops and office spaces into dwellings, and also innovative vertical developments (apartments but with garden balconies).  
5. The council should also focus on acquiring and converting large houses with large gardens into multiple small houses with normal gardens. £600K houses with 5 bedrooms in Wigmore are not beneficial to Medway residents on £25K salaries. When they become available they should be bought, converted or demolished and replaced with 4-6 smaller properties, which should then be sold on affordably. This is more environmentally sustainable as is not encroaching on to nature reserve, public open space, or farmland.  
6. I don't really like any of the options, but the better ones are those that keep further away from country parks and involve no use of biodiversity-rich sites.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Less development close to country parks/nature reserves compared to other options. More green infrastructure intact. Medway City Estate is probably a more logical place in terms of accessibility (subject to improved bus links) than rural villages for more homes. Would see regeneration of shabbiest areas.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not develop Lodge Hill.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Leaves Cliffe area alone.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Too much development close to critical sites like Riverside and Capstone. Would ruin both country parks. *Do not develop Lodge Hill.*

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Leaves Cliffe alone.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Too much building in Capstone valley. Houses mostly far from good public transport links and central services. *Do not develop Lodge Hill.*
Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Redevelopment of a lot of run down urban areas. Less development in Capstone. More houses close to where the infrastructure is.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Too much development close to the critical biodiversity-rich areas still. "Do not develop Lodge Hill."

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Abandon development of Lodge Hill. Focus on low-quality pasture land, former offices and shops, and properly desolate brownfield (i.e. that has been assessed as low-biodiversity). Increase the density of the development, drop the price of the housing. Build upwards more, but with private green space included.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**General comments**

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 105
Name: Sarah Roscow
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Potentially, if the plans go ahead, there will be no housing for young working people, no open spaces for people to enjoy leisure or learning, and poor infrastructure. The town centres will potentially be in the same poor state they are in.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I agree that all of these are important to make Medway a unique and pleasant place to live. However, if the local plan is not carefully considered little to none of this will be achieved.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
The development being spread out around Medway, whilst preserving green spaces for leisure and learning is the most important.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
High density development in the areas that are already occupied, is the best use of space and resources. High density housing, if of good quality, such as the modern flats in Gillingham and St Mary’s Island, will benefit the local, young working population who cannot afford the typical semis and detached housing currently being built everywhere.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
More services based away from the main town areas, would help those unwilling or unable to travel to have better access.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Green belt land and open spaces should only be used when all the other areas have been occupied, as they are vital for the health and well being of any towns and the people living in them.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Lodge Hill should not be included in any of these plans, other than for the use as places of leisure and learning, that help to protect and enhance the unique habitat and wildlife that exists there. Being a SSSI is even more of a reason to not develop here. Development here and around Hoo and Chattenden will blur the lines between rural and urban Medway.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Higher density development in and around the town centres is the best use of the available space.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Lodge Hill should not be included.
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Building more housing stock at all of rural villages, in the manner of the Liberty Park development that has occurred in Wainscott, would provide a good source of locally needed houses for young working people of Medway. Ideally small 2/3 bedroom terraces, that would make the best use of space, rather than the large 4/5 bedroom detached houses, that are only really affordable to the people moving out of London, and adding to the local population increase. Schools and other services would have to be expanded to cope with the larger villages, but this would add to local employment in the villages. The SSSI at Lodge Hill should be left as a large, green open space, that is free for all to use, and could be managed to increase wildlife, and made into a place of outdoor learning for local schools and groups. This would help to keep a distinction between urban and rural Medway, as well as protecting the unique environment it offers Medway as a whole. The retail centres of Medway could be extensively redeveloped to provide a real attraction, rather than Bluewater or Maidstone. High quality, high density housing along the lines of the new, modern apartments at Gillingham Pier and St Mary’s Island, would provide efficient use of the available space around the towns, and be attractive to the young working population and students alike.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
There needs to be more housing for young working people to purchase, that is not in some sort of reduction price scheme. Just houses of a decent, usable size to be affordable to people not entitled to social housing.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
More needs to be done to make homes available to those not entitled to social housing, or those looking to move up from a starter home, as the prices are too much for average wages.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Lodge Hill being SSSI should not, in any way, be included in the local plan, for a council that claims to want to enhance and protect the local environment.

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?

Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree we should focus on our Universities and make them the prominent part of Medway's brand. This in turn will create an enormous amount of energy and vibrancy from which will stem creative ideas and hopefully the talent we need to build for the future of the towns. If the universities can be part of the consulting body for the local plan and we employ developers who have proven track records of success with towns, AND THEY ARE LISTENED TO AND THEIR IDEAS TAKEN ON BOARD BY THE CABINET OF THE COUNCIL RATHER THAN SQUASHED OR DISMISSED AS BEING TOO VISIONARY, I believe we will have the where-with-all to have the most amazing, well coordinated, superb area in the South East to live, work and holiday in. I do not believe the vision is not clear at the moment and the presentation is rather a mish-mash of statements that may sound ok, but don't have much substance.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?

Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
The river is certainly drastically underused and at present, I am worried that the Council may not have the vision or the expertise to know where to go with this. It would be good to work with tourist areas on the Thames and in Bristol to get ideas and strategies for getting the best out of our river. We must build and develop existing pontoons and landing areas, to encourage travel to work by river and also bring more tourists to our towns. We must seek boat operators who will do commuter links along the river to the business parks on opposite sides. This would reduce the need for cars and alleviate the problems we have getting to and from Strood, Cuxton and other villages along the river. We must put in place the infrastructure (roads, crossings, amenities etc before the housing is built) and we need another hospital desperately.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option.

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Option 2 - Suburban expansion

Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

1 (most preferred)
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?

Please explain your response:
I am absolutely terrified of letting the present Council Cabinet members make any decisions with regards to retail in our towns - particularly Chatham. Their past hack record in Chatham over several decades has been atrocious and millions of pounds have been wasted. It would be laughable is it wasn't so serious. we need to look at who is in charge of regeneration.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Chatham should build on its diverse ethnicity and become a centre to celebrate these cultures. we have wonderful Turkish and Nigerian and many more non-English restaurants and food shops, let's promote them more., along with the art, clothing and culture. Condense the High Street and bring the existing shops closer together in the centre so there are no empty shops which look so awful. Change the use of those shops at either end to housing/flats etc.

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I am totally against any development of Capstone or the Darland Valley areas. We have precious little green land in Medway and these areas provide a welcome green belt to enhance residents emotional well-being.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
3

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I think it is preferable to use existing brown field land, wherever possible for regeneration. We need to retain our green spaces in Medway.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
NONE

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support any use of greenfield land at Capstone or Darland.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
NONE

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support any development of greenfield land at Capstone and Darland.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Retail and town centres
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 108
Name: Shaun Delaney
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Too much emphasis on being a waterfront city. While the river is an important feature, much of life in the area goes on away from it.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Progress on Rochester Riverside has been so slow, I think the council should avoid further attempts at brownfield redevelopment as clearing out businesses and then leaving land empty for years seems wasteful.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
4

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
1 (most preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
2

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Options 2 and 3 are opportunities to create new communities better integrated with the natural landscape. Options 1 and 4 eliminate the industrial area of Chatham Docks and wipe away a living link to our maritime industry and heritage.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The enhanced employment land on the Hoo Peninsula

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
It eliminates the industrial area of Chatham Docks and wipes away a living link to our maritime industry and heritage.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The development of areas around Strood and Rainham.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The creation of a new rural town that could support itself and its hinterland.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support?
Please comment in the box below.
It eliminates the industrial area of Chatham Docks and wipes away the remaining link to our maritime industry and heritage.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
I cannot see the benefit of having self-build houses in large development schemes. Sometimes, a uniform vision completed at the same time is better.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

There is already plenty of riverside access.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Leave it to consumers and industry to see where and what broadband is installed.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

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Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No reason why some waterfront should not be private and inaccessible to the public.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Good to see focus on adequate parking and provision for commercial vehicles.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Only scenario1B appears to tackle the use of Brownfield sites as a priority for development. The other 3 scenarios want to take away green belt and areas of natural landscape. There is not sufficient regard to Health Care improvements, currently GP lists are higher and concerns about GP retirement were expressed but there was no mention, for an additional hospital. In Housing Document point 4.15 expressed own concerns that infra-structure development would be unlikely to meet the need for the projected housing. Any future development must target Brownfield sites, along with a sustainable plan for improvements to infra structure that are viable. I would like to see plans for this alongside the different scenarios so it can be clearly understood the full implications of further housing development.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Leave green belt and areas of natural landscape alone.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Our green belt and areas of natural landscape are important lungs and water capture areas for Medway. These must be left untouched for future generations of residents to enjoy.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Use of Brownfield sites for housing and re-generation plans.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Do not support building on green belt, current green spaces and areas of natural landscape.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Brownfield site regeneration.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Housing developments on green belt and areas of natural landscape.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Use of Brownfield sites

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Against the loss of green belt and areas of natural landscape.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Use of Brownfield sites.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Use of green belt, and areas of natural landscape.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Don’t know what these are.
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not enough regard to infra structure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not enough regard to infra structure development

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Employment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development? Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy? Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism? Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation? Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Retail and town centres**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres? Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring? Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not enough regard is given to securing our current environment.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure? Disagree

Please explain your response:
As above.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape? Disagree

Please explain your response:
As above

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk? Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Not enough consideration has been given to water capture, to ensure water supplies for the future.

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not enough regard has been given to how facilities would be increased to match increased numbers of residents in the area.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Specialist smaller hubs that offer after care that extends to the home, thus reducing times on hospital waiting. Need to consider for a whole new set up about supporting people in their homes, especially after medical intervention.

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not enough to match the proposed developments.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not enough to match the proposed developments.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not sufficient to meet the proposed development.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?

Please explain your response:
Not enough thought is going into this area, too. Agree.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
This must continue to be a low priority.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

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Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 110
Name: sian burns
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
i feel medway is trying to make these areas for the rich forgetting that most of the real born and bred in the rochester and medway towns are not so well off as the people who are moving into medway as housing is cheaper than london ,however the public transport in medway is diabolical and therefore most newcomers to medway resort to buying a car to get about.This then creates more problems ,but gives the council more monies for parking charges and fines The council needs to look at the enormous amount of empty houses flats old hotels unfinished building projects as if all of these were lived in there would not have to be so much house building or homeless people

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

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1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
2

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
use the housing we have thats empty also offices there are so many that are not used anymore as many work from home so offices not needed ,!Why are so many still being built ,we are not london and never will be so offices not needed as they sit empty

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
we can mix people and industriys as medway city estate shows and there is a lot of housing that surrounds this already

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
please do not build on sites of special scientific interest or where there is natural life that would be harmed by people and regeneration ,we need to respect animals birds plants habitats as we are going to lose them and that will be a sad loss and a statement to show medways greed and lack of respect for life and nature

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
use what we already have loads and loads of unlived in houses flats part built constructions why not allow people to build there own villages and get together as co-operatives to be able to afford to build and share skills and tools to enable them to build there own homes
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
there is not enough social or affordable housing private landlords are capitalists and charge to much social housing is not available to the young people in our community they are left to live in just one room in rented houses to share kitchens and bathrooms with people they dont know .

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
use the housing we already have the housing proposed to expensive and not enough for for young people

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
not enough,too expensive for most people

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
these houses are usually occupied by students or young single people they are not ideal and are not nice to live in really its not nice to share a bathroom with lots of other people in university accomodation thats built now you usually only share with one other ,in these private houses of multiple occupancy it can somtimes be 4 or more

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree
the policy needs to be extended and made more available to the not so rich

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
there needs to be more provision

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below
housing cooperatives where people get together and build share skills and tools so the cost is low and they have there own community coop where there are rules and the community votes on rents and how the coop is run medway could sell or rent them some land to allow this to happen

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
think there could be a little relaxation on some thoughts and ideas

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
there needs to be a little relaxation a thoughts and ideas particularly by parish councils

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
if there is clever design and good roads and pathways density can be high without a problem but its getting it right thats difficult

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
think there are many more properties that should be protected with heritage and history in mind before its lost forever

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
there will not be enough schools and free schools end up costing more and have a history of failing, Medway needs to look more carefully and with more inspiration into education

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
we must not lose any more open space, to much is being taken by private developers who have noticed that it was common land and they claim it, others dont have the monies to fight them in court so they take the land for their own gain

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
transport and future plans are very poor, they lack funding or imagination

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
this is not enough

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
will just make these areas boring,

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
people have lived on house boats for thousands of years why does this have to stop now

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
people have to be allowed to enter from the rear of the property if that is where it is safer and they are able to park a car

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Please explain your response:
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Please explain your response:
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Please explain your response:
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Please explain your response:
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Please explain your response:
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Please explain your response:
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
there is nowhere really that a cycle can be parked safely outside
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 111
Name: Simon Coster
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
1 (most preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
3

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
heavy focus on maximising urban regeneration will lead to high density large developer lead housing that does not provide balance for the needs of the people. it also inevitably underestimates real car usage leading to parking and congestion issues and the feeling of isolation in those that cannot use their car when public transport services are limited. A balance of suburban expansion with some urban and rural development will likely give a better variety of housing stock to suit Medway's needs.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

employment land is fairly dense to allow economies of scale and critical mass

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

the largest areas are in parts with poor access to trains and road congestion leaving people isolated and forced to rely on cars but wasting time in traffic. a few large sites dominate the proposal leading to high likelihood of only the large volume builders and shutting out smaller self build/custom build schemes

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

good options to create mixed housing stock and to allow mixture of private and public outdoor spaces.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

potential traffic issues through rainham

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

uses Hoo peninsular effectively to allow lower density high quality homes

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

risk of projects only going to volume builders due to size of new projects

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

reasonable mixture that allows different housing stock in different areas to balance needs.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

reliant on a few big developments

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

use of high standards of building to mitigate the impact of the rural expansion and improve the quality of homes in Medway, EG it would be a good opportunity to push for Passivhaus or similar standards on new builds in rural locations
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
section 4.7 states current property too small as the dominant reason to move yet the suggestion is to base large number of two bedroom houses as the solution. This is only viable if the minimum room size suggestions are enforced else a large number of cramped 2 bedroom house will be delivered leaving little flexibility to change in circumstances and high impacts on growing families.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
policy is too passive and is not compatible with the government’s intent. Either a policy needs to be rapidly enacted at the start of the period to force large developments to provide self/custom build plots or the council will have to use its own land to cover this need
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?  
Disagree

Please explain your response:

the sustainable travel requirement must be properly balanced with the overall objective of giving tourists a positive view of Medway. forcing tourists to transit through other areas through poorly integrated public transport will lead to people not coming again EG a person coming to walk round the historic centre of Rochester does not want to have to take a bus through Chatham

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?  
Agree

Please explain your response:

promoting Chatham town centre further would not be appropriate as whilst it is much improved the overall character and desirability is very poor and does not show Medway in a good light. Local Supermarkets that allow people to show without going to the larger stores by car would be a good provision for the other centres.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?  
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
policy is not strong enough, developments should have greater focus on high quality green private and public spaces and less on density as even with more land used will have a lower impact rather than polluted islands in a green sea.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:
high quality of architecture and higher building standards should be enforced to complement this. High quality developments can work well in sympathy to the landscape rather than the determent of more red brick boxes.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
does not focus on the proven causes of air pollution, good traffic management to prevent start stop, modern public transport to the best emissions standards (no more hand me down buses), high building standards to lower energy based emissions, well sited industry to prevent pollution moving into residential areas.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
requirement for enhanced building standards such as passivhaus, requirement for provision of suitable sites for electric car charging whilst parked,

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
cars have an important place in the proper functioning of peoples transportation needs, they should be reduced by reduction of the need (ie can easily walk to a good local supermarket in a few minutes) that punitive policies that make people feel isolated.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:
internal space standard is a good start but higher building standards in energy use are very important too.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:
density must be a secondary consideration to quality and size of housing and amenities.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
a new approach is required to allow the heritage areas to be modernised in the use if not their overall appearance. there should be a presumption in favour of taking older buildings that are an important part of our heritage and finding ways to use them that fits with modern life so the buildings are looked after. IE houses must be restored, insulated and got up to usable standards otherwise they will decay, only the best features should be preserved and the rest sympathetically improved to get the most out of the buildings

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
a more proactive approach is required, recent planning decisions mean it is easier for me to visit KFC than the park due to parking restrictions, given the high level of pollution it is difficult to promote people walking outside so fixing this and making access to green spaces easy are required.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
pushing car parking back onto the streets is very unlikely to be in line with the desire for more electric car use given the charging needs. it should be assumed that all parking spaces will need charging infrastructure within 20 years and unless good local/national driven infrastructure comes it will have to be linked to the properties (Ie you want to park outside your house otherwise you cannot charge)

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
It is a very well thoughtout vision which would provide a medway all will be proved to live, work and play in.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
2

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
1 (most preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
The regeneration and improvement of the area is the most important factor.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The improvement of housing and aesthetics of the area.
Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Suburban expansion**

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

All of it.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**A rural focus**

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

All of it.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Urban regeneration and rural town**

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

All of it.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

**Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development**

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

**Local Plan approach to policy development**

**Housing**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

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Disagree

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Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

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Option 3 - A rural focus

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
No comment
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
No comment

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?  
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?  
Disagree

Please explain your response:

We are concerned that in the "Policy Approaches: Health" in Section 9, in the second paragraph under the heading "Healthy Food Environment" it states that the council will manage the locations and opening times of hot food takeaways around schools, community centres, play areas and leisure centres, based on the 2014 Hot Food Takeaway Guidance. It is unclear whether that Guidance was non-statutory or was a Supplementary Planning Document. If the former, then it ought not to be the basis for decisions in draft Development Plan policies. If the latter then it was in our view adopted unlawfully, as it did not derive from adopted Development Plan policies and there are no national policies specific enough to form a basis for it. The evidence that the 2014 Hot Food Takeaway Guidance refers to does not support the implication that restricting either the location or opening times of hot food takeaways around schools, community centres, play areas and leisure centres will have any impact on health (specifically obesity). Indeed, no evidence exists of a causal link between location and incidence of obesity.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Evidence of a causal link between the location of hot food takeaways and incidence of obesity does not exist. Indeed only a limited number of studies and datasets show weak correlation between the concentration of hot food takeaways and incidence of obesity. Consequently, we do not consider that planning policies of this type are useful in dealing with the incidence of obesity. Should such policies be pursued, we suggest that, where datasets can be shown to correlate the concentration of hot food takeaways and incidence of obesity, then concentration controls could be considered based on thresholds derived from either existing retail evidence on vitality and viability or specific health evidence of a concentration level that can be shown to have an adverse impact.
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

**Respondent ID: 114**
**Name: Stella Tiller**
**Type of respondent: Member of the public**

**Vision for Medway 2035**

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
We must not build on Green Belt or open space areas. I work in London. Many colleagues see the Medway Towns as a sprawling built up mess. And that's Londiners talking! We need to preserve and champion our open green spaces such as the Capstone Valley, Darland Banks and the Riverside areas, not concreting over them. The infrastructure isn't there, and we already suffer from water shortages in the summer. All this talk of countryside and we're building on the best bits.....Gibraltar Farm for example.

**Strategic objectives**

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
We aren't a city and never have been.

**Development options**

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
4

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
No brained. Infrastructure already in areas lace in terms of transport and roads, although is any of it up to the job.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None of it except Lodge Hill makes most sense.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Building in open green spaces and countryside. So important to a big collection of Towns.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
None of it.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
All of it.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Only the urban bit.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Onbuilding on the countryside.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Traveller Site usually bring an increase in illegal activity, flytipping and mess.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Free parking would encourage visitors. Busses are slow, go miles out of the way to get anywhere (just try getting from Lords Wood to Rainham, or Maidstone to Lords Wood), and all Towns need more motorcycle parking.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

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Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

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Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Any option that doesn’t involve building on the countryside or ancient woodland should be considered.
Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Way too dense. Tiny plots of land increase noise disturbance and privacy problems between neighbour’s etc.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
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Infrastructure

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Still too expensive and routes are not convenient.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
River Medway could be used a lot more for transport.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Still not enough motorcycle parking. Last time I needed to park in Gillingham, I was told to put parking ticket in non-existent tax disc holder. I was then told to keep hold of it and appeal if I got a fine. Not much use if it happens daily.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

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General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
In accordance with the council's legal obligations as prescribed in the NPPF, The Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act, EU Habitats Directive, The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (The Habitats Regulations), etc. the Draft Local Plan refers frequently to the natural environment, SSSIs and other designated sites, biodiversity, sustainability and so on. These references are included because you are legally bound to include them. However, the requirements do not stop at mere on-paper aspirations, they MUST be followed through in actions. Every option presented includes Lodge Hill. As you are well aware, this is a SSSI. These have the highest level of protection and importance of any protected site, and yet if Medway Council get their way, you will destroy it. This is disregard for the law is unfathomable. There is no place in sustainable development wherein a SSSI can be destroyed. Until an option is presented that omits Lodge Hill from the development plans, Medway Council will be fighting against national pressure to their Local Plan. If the Government inquiry allows the development to go ahead on Lodge Hill, the precedent will be set that SSSIs are fair game. I dearly hope this precedent is not set, but even if it is, the decision will almost certainly be taken to judicial review, further delaying the Local Plan, perhaps for years. The short-sightedness of Medway Council's planning team with regards to Lodge Hill beggars belief. Furthermore, the plan includes areas of Capstone Valley, an area that for many decades has been considered out of bounds for development due to it being the lung of Medway and one of the few areas retaining a truly rural character. The only other area like this is the fruit belt along the river, which has also been included in the options. If Medway wishes to find areas that can be developed without completely destroying the character of the rural areas of Medway, it must look to intensively farmed agricultural land that supports little or no biodiversity, not aim directly at the most sensitive and important areas. Lodge Hill for example is bordered by a golf course. The difficulties of relocating a golf course pale in comparison to the sheer impossibility of recreating a SSSI. Medway Council must realise that by planning to destroy a SSSI they make every mention of the natural environment and biodiversity little more than empty lip-service and a sham. The destruction of a SSSI makes a mockery of sustainable development, and would make Medway the shame of the country, Europe and beyond in the eyes of anyone who cares about the future of the planet. The swathes of legislation created since the Convention on Biological Diversity to which we are signatories is not for nothing. It has been created because of a real and dire need to stop this kind of thoughtless and selfish destruction. To willfully ignore it is to work against the needs of the world and mankind.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Quality of life is not about street trees and planters, it is about policies which promote a healthy environment and recognise the ecological services provided therein. Do not destroy Lodge Hill SSSI.
Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option:

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
5 (least preferred)

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the ‘Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development’ section further on.
1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
All of the options include the destruction of a SSSI. You cannot destroy a SSSI and claim to be sustainable. A fifth option could be to relocate the golf course to the south of Lodge Hill and build houses there instead. Or there is ample agricultural land that is of no ecological value. The fruit belt is not only biodiverse, it is a part of Medway’s heritage and character. Destruction of this would not be in line with the three pillars of sustainability. The Capstone Valley is the ‘lung of Medway’. Developing here again fails the sustainability test for heritage and environment.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

There are a number of golf courses on the outskirts of Medway that could be relocated. There is also many hectares of agricultural land that can be developed without doing too much harm to the environment. A huge development at Fort Horsted has failed to include affordable housing. Medway Council has missed a prime opportunity. Better sites to develop could include: The area west from the A226 to Crutches Lane and east to Stonehorse Lane, all south of the A289. South from Nashdene Farm to Wouldham, southeast of the Wouldham Road. Or another alternative would be to say, sorry, Medway already has more than the lion’s share of Kent’s population.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
It does not follow the principals of sustainability

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
In its current form, the green infrastructure plans are not clear enough to form a valid opinion. Aside from the issues already mentioned, there are a number of problems of connectivity that have obviously been heavily glossed. Without a better picture of what is planned, the green infrastructure is more of less non-existent.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The fruit belt is one of Medway's most important and iconic landscapes.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
The strategic aims are well balanced with health being a golden thread throughout the plan vision and its policies.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Public Health agrees with the strategic objectives and understand that health will be incorporated throughout the plan and through each objective.

Development options

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Option 2 - Suburban expansion
Option 3 - A rural focus
1 (most preferred)
Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order:
Scenario 3 – a rural focus will see development being focused on the area of Hoo St Werburgh and surrounding villages. There will be some development in the suburban areas but this scenario will change the character of Hoo. This scenario will lend opportunity to improve the poor social isolation that prevails on the peninsula by encouraging developers to: • Consider lifelong homes with good, well lit links to sustainable travel options. • Consider all kitchen sink windows to over look either a community green or other aspects that ensure other people are seen • Provision
for gardening as a community

Ensure there is plenty of easily accessible community space and service provision.

Social value

Public spaces (including high streets, street markets, shopping precincts, community centres, parks, playgrounds, and neighbourhood spaces in residential areas) play a vital role in the social life of communities. They act as a ‘self-organising public service’, a shared resource in which experiences and value are created (Mean and Tims, 2005). There needs to be a balance between those who want to enjoy peace and quiet in their homes and neighbourhoods, and the need for children and young people to play safely and enjoy the neighbourhood they live in. We want residents to be able to live in their homes without unnecessary disturbance, and we want children and young people to play safely and be part of their communities. People may complain that ball games are being played in unsuitable areas – perhaps too close to houses, parked cars or roads; that children and young people are making too much noise, too late and when approached they either ignore it or are abusive. Public Health opposes ‘no ball games’ signs as we expect residents to take responsibility within their own neighbourhood and work together to reach a compromise. Only extreme cases of deliberate nuisance should be a reason for Medway Council to intervene. Evidence: https://www.jrf.org.uk/sites/default/files/jrf/migrated/files/2050-public-space-community.pdf

Scenario 4 is also a good deliverable option for all the reasons stated above.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Redevelopment of MCE and Chatham Docks

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
The risks as described.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Hoo expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
This could lead to less local economic growth than other scenarios. Too much development on the urban green spaces and green belt. Undeliverable

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Medway Council’s vision of making Medway a city, not 5 towns as Hoo will be a rural town. This approach is forward thinking. Having the opportunity to urban plan Hoo’s development so we can unlock its potential for the existing and its future community

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Feasibility studies will need to be undertaken to ensure the major infrastructure has capacity

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This scenario is the most fair and even handed approach
Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
This scenario should consider the redevelopment of Medway City Estate and Chatham Docks

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We support the sustainable housing option and request that all new housing will be lifelong homes.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We support the sustainable housing option and request that all new housing will be lifelong homes. Extra Care facilities are a community asset

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We support the additional housing for students.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Please consider a strict sewer waste management approach for houseboats.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Public health agreed with the employment policy approaches for the university expansions, rural broadband, improving the infrastructure and securing sustainable employment uses for strategic sites at Grain and Kingsnorth.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Public Health agree with the policy approach however would like to see compulsory exclusions to the temporary uses for vacant units. These to include, but not limited, to shisha bars, A5 A3 with A5 element and off-licences. We wish to subjecting applications in the above list to a cumulative impact assessment. Further discussions with Public Health will outline evidence and reasoning.
Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring? 
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
Instruct all new developments to consider innovation for green space provision including, but not limited to, green walls, fruit tree avenues, and community food growing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
Look to find the maintenance and creation of public rights of way from S106 money.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk? 
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
Public Health fully support the introduction of a specific air quality SPD

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design? 
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design? 
Agree

Please explain your response:
Public Health agree with the policy approach however ensure all new developments (all housing applications) consider sustainable transport, access to health facilities and have lifelong homes. As previously stated all development should provide community space, green infrastructure which should include innovative ideas such as green walls and food growing opportunities)

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density? 
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage? 
Agree
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Public Health fully support the health and communities policy approach. We would like to see a limit to shisha bars and A4 (off licences where a cumulative impact assessment can show this would be detrimental to health).

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Public health support the infrastructure policy however we would like funding to be found and secured for new infrastructure through S106, CiL or other funding streams.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
If this included GP surgeries how can we secure NHS involvement?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?

Please explain your response:
fully support this approach

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
All new developments must seek prior knowledge of the site's water capacity and contact utilities to mitigate/ find solutions.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Sustainable transport**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Public Health support the policy approach for sustainable transport and would want S106/CiL to fund any new infrastructure required.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
We should be encouraging tourism therefore the modernisation of the wharfs, jetties and piers should be a high priority

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterways and river access?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?

Please explain your response:
Parking is always a controversial subject. Public Health would like to see home zones in new housing developments and abundant planting to mitigate any negative impact

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Please explain your response:
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Please explain your response:
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.
Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Please explain your response:
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Please explain your response:
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Please explain your response:
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Please explain your response:
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
does this extend to existing CP? if not it should.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
What does a place that works well? Means nothing - empty words Quality of life needs to have clear methodology statement (& basket of indicators) to measure success

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
5 (least preferred)

Option 3 - A rural focus
3

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
4

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
The maps are not clear and difficult to see differences. Medway needs massive transport infrastructure improvements. Traffic is a nightmare and set to get worse with increasing development. Need to provide a viable alternative to the car i.e. Tram/Light Rail or possibly a ferry service or at the least an massively and vastly improved, affordable, regular bus service. Healthcare also needs to improve (another hospital/emergency GP drop in centres).
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Potential for exciting, high quality housing development on Medway City Estate using the Medway waterfront. Can attract professionals etc using HS1. Should encourage higher density housing (not housing) if walking distance/short tram journey to Strood/Rochester Train station.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Traffic infrastructure needs to improve around Medway tunnel and wainscott by-pass. Locals need viable alternative to the car. Chatham retail centre needs demolishing and starting again. Lodge Hill is not going to be successful development. Too large and too far from infrastructure. I predict it could have social issues in the future plus it destroys countryside/green belt.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
not much.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Creep into the countryside and green belt (especially in Rainham). Cannot see how this will meet your development targets. Not ambitious.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
again not much to support.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Creep into the countryside and green belt. Cannot see how this will meet your development targets.

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Highly support regeneration of strood and chatham. Both areas, especially strood have huge potential. Need to radically redesign one way system and discourage traffic from using rochester bridge. Good public transport options would support this.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
rural countryside creep.

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Support affordable housing, homes for elderly etc. as there is not enough need for those most in need BUT MUST remember that the type of housing you build will attract those types of people into Medway. Medway should be attractive enough to encourage young professionals and stop students (intelligent and skilled workforce, attract good business opportunities into Medway, likely to have a higher paid job, likely to always pay council tax and be low level service users etc) moving away after completing university as they turn into 'young professionals'. Need trendy, modern, safe, highly connected places with good mixed culture. For the consultation you should have provided a summary of each document. Most/all people do not have the time or boredom threshold to read it cover to cover.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Support affordable housing, homes for elderly etc. as there is not enough need for those most in need BUT MUST remember that the type of housing you build will attract those types of people into Medway. Medway should be attractive enough to encourage young professionals and stop students (intelligent and skilled workforce, attract good business opportunities into Medway, likely to have a higher paid job, likely to always pay council tax and be low level service users etc) moving away after completing university as they turn into 'young professionals'. Need trendy, modern, safe, highly connected places with good mixed culture.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Yes but balance must be kept. Support affordable housing, homes for elderly etc. as there is not enough need for those most in need BUT MUST remember that the type of housing you build will attract those types of people into Medway. Medway should be attractive enough to encourage young professionals and stop students (intelligent and skilled workforce, attract good business opportunities into Medway, likely to have a higher paid job, likely to always pay council tax and be low level service users etc) moving away after completing university as they turn into 'young professionals'. Need trendy, modern, safe, highly connected places with good mixed culture.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Support older residents and failing adult social care system

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Agree but must consider locations that student accommodation is placed as they are transient population. They move away at christmas and summer and population is renewed annually with new intake. Neighbourhoods/areas with large student populations become ghost towns at above points of the year.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
not a fan. low quality housing, blot on landscape and tends to be in areas that could have better land use. Don't need protection from development, but resident do need to be protected and provided with alternative accommodation/reasonable compensation if bulldozed.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Apart from student housing want to discourage this type of development. often have high needs on the council and social services and encourages a transient population who do not build a community/neighbourhood as renting these properties are short-term no other options accommodation.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not the type of people you want to be attracting to medway. will not achieve vision

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
encourage technical businesses etc with high skilled workforce from Uni

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:
not my area of expertise but looks fine

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
need to encourage vibrant, diverse, local and independent small businesses to retail centres. the whole of chatham needs knocking down and starting again maximising the riverfront and connections to dockyard development and new development on medway city estate

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
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Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Agree

Please explain your response:
support countryside and waterways

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Not strong enough. Need large high quality green spaces and green/blue corridors connecting places

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
what about other areas?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

Please explain your response:
no one likes flooding?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
not strong enough. need to encourage public transport (tram/light railway), walking, cycling and green energies.
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
too conservative. need to be bold and embrace modern life whilst reflecting heritage of the area. Dockside is something to be proud of and encourage this type of development

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
maybe not ambitious enough

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
Strongly agree. Well connected places need to be of high density

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
heritage is vital for creating a sense of place and distinctiveness

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

type of housing you build will attract those types of people into Medway. Medway should be attractive enough to encourage young professionals and stop students (intelligent and skilled workforce, attract good business opportunities into Medway, likely to have a higher paid job, likely to always pay council tax and be low level service users etc) moving away after completing university as they turn into ‘young professionals’. Need trendy, modern, safe, green (parks/green paths to transport hubs etc), highly connected places with good mixed culture.

**Health and communities**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
new hospital needed

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Infrastructure**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Need stronger emphasis. Need more!!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
DESPERATELY NEED ROAD AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS. Public transport, walking, cycling is better for a more active and healthy population (lower social care and public health costs to the council), improved local emissions and cleaner air (low public health costs to the council), frees up road capacity, better quality of life for residents, safer.

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
NEED BETTER PUBLIC TRANSPORT. Consider a light rail system

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:
use the waterways. under used resource. support high quality development along waterfront for vibrant new communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Agree
Please explain your response:
use the waterways. under used resource. support high quality development along waterfront for vibrant new communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Support not turning Rochester into commercial airport. Do not support being protected. Could be a new development site if supporting infrastructure provided (including a tram/light railway). Should make clear the council will oppose any further future attempts to build airport at the isle of grain

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
commercial vehicles should not be allowed to park on residential streets. parking should not be allowed on pavements. discourages pedestrians

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The plan overreaches under assumption of growth and demand that a post brexit UK will not enjoy. The plan also expands Medway for housing, retail and industrial development solely within it's boundaries and contrary to the immediate area next to its boundaries. The plan does not understand what is the 'Medway economy'; it's growth and earners. The plan will be exploited under current benefit regimes by neighbouring London councils to the detriment of the local area and current residents.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Disagree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
The plan does not address the poor transport infrastructure relying on a 1960’s motorway and Victorian rail. Travel in Medway is slow, unreliable and polluting. Developments planned will supplant what little is left of the natural surroundings. Medway is renown for its lack of quality of life; low paid employment and social problems from a lack of quality opportunities. New housing does not address; nay it adds to the problems. The current council is made up of old men steeped in corrupt and underhand activities. No business would touch the area whilst they hold thrall.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option.

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
5 (least preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
5 (least preferred)

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
4
Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
1 (most preferred)

Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
The plan focus on assumption of expansion and regeneration of buildings especially housing. This is flawed because infrastructure to support these are not considered or planned. The problem of the towns has not changed since 1950's - TRANSPORT. The plan should alternately create fast efficient transport links for business and people coupled with providing redevelopment of existing areas with aim of stabilising or reducing overall population by no more than 5%. A sweeping demolish and rebuild of town centres based around transport flow to and sufficient access (bus/rail/parking) around successful and expandable business. Remove the wheat from the chaff with the new found space open to similar successful and expandable business

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Removal of the few flat green spaces around Medway making an even more noticeable as borders crossed

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Similar to option 1; Removal of the few flat green spaces around Medway making an even more noticeable as borders crossed

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Decimation of the few flat green spaces around Medway making an even more noticeable as borders crossed. There will be little appetite for the remote locations with poor transport links and lack of services

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.

Loss of green spaces around Medway making an even more noticeable as borders crossed. There will be little appetite for the remote locations with poor transport links and lack of services. The regeneration is likely piecemeal and not expansive to address Medway's key long standing problem; TRANSPORT
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

The plan should alternately create fast efficient transport links for business and people coupled with providing redevelopment of existing areas with aim of stabilising or reducing overall population by no more than 5%. A sweeping demolish and rebuild of town centres based around transport flow to and sufficient access (bus/rail/parking) around successful and expandable business. Remove the wheat from the chaff with the new found space open to similar successful and expandable business. Consider how long it takes to get across the towns from West to East or reverse. It's only 10 miles but takes longer than an hour even outside peak times.

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

It's expansive policy when retrenchment is preferred. Kowtow to Westminster planning and old Thames Gateway thinking and expectation of higher population along similar lines. We are experiencing radical changes with pressures from wealthier areas taking up local stock to accommodate people they are unwilling to keep under their wing. Time for the rest of Kent and these source authorities to take up the slack

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

There are many words but few numbers given to justify the approach. Provide baseline and projection figures not weasel words

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

I'm not agreeing solely with the limits of the statement is constrained by current government policy. What's needed is return to council based accommodation which in previous years. There are many words but few numbers given to justify the approach. Provide baseline and projection figures not weasel words

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Disagree

Please explain your response:

There are many words but few numbers given to justify the approach. Provide baseline and projection figures not weasel words. Stock & capacity, current demand, projected volumes over years to plan end. Follow this with proposed location[s]

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Please explain your response:

There are many words but few numbers given to justify the approach. Provide baseline and projection figures not weasel words. Stock & capacity, current demand, projected volumes over years to plan end. Follow this with
proposed location[s]  Also explain where this aligns with University projections given there is likely to be reduced overseas students

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Little numbers and policy pandering to those who look at supposed ‘trailer trash’. Mobile homes, whilst not attractive provide a useful safety valve and effective living spaces for low incomes whether you like them or not. The policy effectively rules them out

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No adjustment for effect of the policy. Houseboat living is sometimes forced by the cheapness and introducing paid for services likely to impinge.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Conflicts with student living and young peoples capacity to afford reasonable accommodation. The challenge is to effectively blend HMOs within communities and mitigate the issues given which frankly sound discriminatory to young people

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Weasel words without numbers and limits on costs, values and types. The checks should be to stop unsightly builds that do not complement their area and against exclusive high end builds.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered?
Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Struggled to find the key linkage to an education attainment in the workforce in the analysis that would break the cycle of low value low paid jobs. Also no analysis of the increasing numbers working from home with exodus of key work location from expensive London estates. Also the lack of linkage to TRANSPORT

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Again doesn't address TRANSPORT. The term 'sustainable' tourism is somewhat bizarre and assume this refers to the failure of the Dickens dockside attraction. Otherwise it's just keeping the cathedral and castle upright, dockyard and Fort Amherst open. So what you going to doing with the failed Medway riverside from the last plan?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Seems like the hotel sector has done your job for you; bravo Premier Inn.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
TRANSPORT - PARKING AND OTHER ACCESS (PUBLIC TRANSPORT) not addressed (again). It's quicker to get top Canterbury than Strood from the east of Medway.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Knock down the ineffective, consolidate the successful and effect transport changes to make the created brownfield sites attractive to new successful businesses

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The stated policy is fine but lacks the protection already given for other sites (Lodge Hill as example). But it's not a big deal. Most of the 'protected' area would be a serious flood risk so it's not like you are giving up much, is it?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Weasel words; the development and housing plans show large expansion into countryside or developed green areas. It's what you are not saying that's as important and needs protecting as what you state you are.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The Kent AONB is worthy but there's noting else offered up in the policy. For most of us it's going to be maintaining key Medway views; Lines over Chatham to Strood, Victoria Gardens down the river, Strand & Riverside to Upnor, Stoke & Grain, Darland and Coney Banks, Capstone Valley & Otterham creek and marshes.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Localised flooding is not covered; maintenance of local drainage for specific areas. As example the bottom of Dale St, Seaton Road and Gillingham Road

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
TRANSPORT - slow moving polluting traffic. Serious pollution in areas like Chatham station and High st

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
ADDRESS MEDWAY’S LONG STANDING TRANSPORT PROBLEMS Look at Portsmouth; higher density but a huge green lung (Southsea common et al) and effective public transport

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Address the town's slow moving TRANSPORT. It's to dangerous to walk and cycle here (although how many have actually tried cycling East/West or North/South. It's pretty hilly) No mention of capacity so it's not going to be addressed ?? Medway either needs to reduce population or dramatically expand facilities and capacity at our hospital. TRANSPORT also an issue for patients and emergencies

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Weasel words and general unintelligible statement

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Early years - well what the hell does that really mean ???

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The town's needs multifunctional community facilities with flexible access to groups across the spectrum (no political groups though).

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Yes - follow Swedish model

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:
At last some good numbers and analysis in the plan. Thank you whoever took the time and trouble :-) Propose there is strong linkage to the community agenda with more multifunctional low cost venues available for groups to use e.g table tennis, keep fit, yoga/pilates groups

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
All developers should put in to improve the existing capacity. Maintaining the same lacks ambition

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
All developers should put in to improve and enhance existing capacity. Maintaining the same lacks ambition

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
None of the Local Plan notes flow as an issue. Slow traffic pollutes and wastes time for people and business

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
No additions for safety. How many more people do we need to lose in the river?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The clear long term actions by the council is to nibble away at the airport until it becomes unviable. Probably too late to address this now so let it go but replace with a new site. There’s no space in the town's but a combined Medway/Maidstone/ Swale site could be useful and benefit all. Propose location: Ridham Dock

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Weasel words hiding intent to dramatically reduce spaces for parking in our high density areas. Increased car usage/need will create pressure in a static population. The policy doesn't address demand and will quickly require amendment or fail

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
I disagree with the "vision" - Why do we want to be a university city? This will only put yet more pressure on housing and amenities. If these plans proceed Medway will just be a concrete blob - no quality of life for residents. Plan is long on soundbites and clichés, but completely lacks facts and figures. Consultation just feels like a tick box exercise, I assume the council has already decided which plan it will adopt.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
I agree with the principles, but the council cannot be trusted to deliver. Since when has the council been interested in the quality of life of residents? recent planning decisions would indicate the complete opposite. How can the council state it aims to create "A riverside city connected to its natural surroundings" when all it wants to do is destroy natural surroundings with building developments?

Development options

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Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
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Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
2
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Rural focus is the least worst option. Other plans will add unsustainable congestion

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
I do not support anything in this plan

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Will create total congestion. Will destroy ethos of the towns. Just urban sprawl.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
nothing to support

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
This plan will also destroy quality of life in Strood

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
This is least worst option

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Can the council be trusted to deliver in a fair way? Their record to date would indicate they do not have the capability

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
High density housing will create yet more congestion and pressure on local amenities

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
At the consultation meetings, council staff were not interested in suggestions; can only assume that council has already decided to rule out alternatives. Where is the linkage to Gravesend and Maidstone plans? Where is contingency for Brexit and lower Thames crossing?
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
How are new homes going to benefit local residents families? New homes will just be taken by commuters already working in London, but looking for somewhere cheaper to live. Medway becomes a dormitory town. New houses cannot be built at the expense of quality of life of existing residents. Council only interested in reaching targets - not improving Medway. Infrastructure must be in place BEFORE additional housing is created.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Why should students get preferential treatment over local residents, this is unfair.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Plan for mobile home parks is fine, but what is council planning to do about travellers who do not use the parks? They create havoc and damage time and time again - why is this missing from the plan?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Why should these people be protected more than local residents - why are they special. The boats on strood pier and strood riverside, fly tip, pollute the river, tear down fences and create litter, yet the council wish to protect them ?? They should be moved on, not protected!!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Completely disagree. Why do these people get preferential treatment. Their way of life cannot be touched, but normal residents have to suffer whatever the council do to them. This is discrimination at its worst. Also what is council planning to do about travellers who do not use the parks? They create havoc and damage time and time again - why is this missing from the plan?

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

The council should encourage smaller developments on parcels of land adjoining existing properties - this would ease housing shortage and minimise impact on communities. Sadly the existing planning department make it difficult, and expensive, for individuals to follow this route.

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Disagree

Please explain your response:

Council wishes to build hundreds of new homes in Strood, yet plan the states "Strood: improve integration between the retail park and District Centre, and improve the public realm. No further expansion is recommended" This does not make sense. What is the council going to do to stop Chatham retail centre becoming a no go zone? Many people now refuse to shop in Chatham because of the intimidating atmosphere and fear of crime. Aggressive
begging, yobs, homeless people make the place completely unappealing. Parking wardens are a law unto themselves - ticketing only selective vehicles - this has to stop.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below
Stop anti social behaviour.

**Natural environment and green belt**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
The words are fine but the council cannot be trusted to deliver. Presently they are already building on land designated as "Open Space"

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
The words are fine but the council cannot be trusted to deliver. Presently they are already building on land designated as "Open Space"

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
The words are fine but the council cannot be trusted to deliver. Presently they are already building on land designated as "Open Space"

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Agree

**Please explain your response:**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
Completely lacking in detail. Specific details are required to hold the council and developers to account. Presently the council and developers do what they want, and this has to stop. The present woolly wording is insufficient.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Built environment**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Disagree

**Please explain your response:**
Existing Council methods do not allow for sufficient parking spaces nor do they correctly calculate additional traffic

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
Existing Council methods do not allow for sufficient parking spaces nor do they correctly calculate additional traffic

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Statement is completely bland - Without specific detail there is the potential for abuse - Council cannot be trusted in this regard.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Wording is not strong enough. Without specific detail there is the potential for abuse - Council has shown time and time again it cannot be trusted in this regard.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
All far too vague. the statement "The council will work closely with Medway NHS CGG to plan for the future of acute care ..." is just wordsmithing. There needs to be a firm plan in place before ANY future houses are built. The council take money from developers to improve GP services, but none ever seem to be delivered. Currently over a month to see a GP in Strood, and this will get worse as new houses are built - Does the council think a month for an appointment is reasonable?

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for general and strategic infrastructure?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I agree but I doubt that the council will ever deliver

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for education?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for community facilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for communication infrastructure?
Agree
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Council are basically lying here. They say "Existing Open Space Existing open spaces shall be protected from loss, unless an improved provision can be made by new development to the benefit of the local population. The network of green spaces will be protected and expanded where there are identified deficits, and poor quality open space enhanced. Opportunities to make open space multifunctional should be explored. This allows people to access a full range of open spaces, including opportunities to grow food, to help maintain and improve health and wellbeing." Yet they have just given permission to build on the open space in Commissioners Road. This open space could have been reopened for community use - but Council chose to allow evasive building instead. Council cannot be trusted - their words are worthless.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
Wording is far to weak and woolly. Funds raised under S106 must go back to the communities affected by the development, not back to Council general funds

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for infrastructure that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Sustainable transport

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
how can the council state "improve air quality as a result of vehicular emission", when it is granting permission for developments that will add massive congestion to an area? The plans for housing and transport simply do not align.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for transport and the River Medway?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The plan is again very vague - what is the plan for Strood riverside, will Strood pier be reclaimed from travellers and put back into general use?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?

Please explain your response:
The plan is again very vague - what is the plan for Strood riverside, will Strood pier be reclaimed from travellers and put back into general use?

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
Disagree
Please explain your response:
This is currently ignored in strood, I doubt the council will do anything in future to stop rogue mooring in Strood (and the associated pollution / flytipping / damage)

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for aviation?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for vehicle parking?
Disagree

Please explain your response:
The parking standards used by the council do not offer adequate parking in new developments. This adds to parking problems in nearby areas

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Minerals, waste and energy

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

General comments

Is there anything else Medway Council should consider about the development options or the policy approaches in addition to what you have already commented on above. Please comment in the box below.
Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Dwelling on a post-industrial past hasn’t helped in the last 30 years. The Universities could bring income and vibrant new cultural activities to Chatham esp which is so shoddy right now.

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Agree

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
Surprised to hear Medway is same size as Brighton! That seems a good model to consider. If Margate can transform its image then so could Medway. However, that is not to underestimate the level of decay and decline in Chatham and Gillingham in particular. The town centre of Chatham is a disgrace. I would never shop there. Sorry if I sound like a snob but I’m a single person with no kids and a decent salary, I ought to be bringing money into the local economy but I’d rather drive to Bluewater for major names or Whitstable for independent shops.

Development options

Now you have read about the four potential development options please rank the options in your order of preference, from 1 to 5, where 1 is your most preferred option and 5 is your least preferred option

Option 1 - Maximising the potential of urban regeneration
1 (most preferred)

Option 2 - Suburban expansion
3

Option 3 - A rural focus
4

Option 4 - Urban regeneration and rural town
2

Option 5 - Alternative sustainable development option (if applicable). There is space to tell us about your alternative option in the 'Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development' section further on.
Please explain why you have ranked the options in this order
Without development of the waterfront areas, I don't believe the authority area will be able to leverage the benefits of the universities and professional services associated. While students don't travel as far to uni as previous generations, Medway isn't likely to be first choice for youngsters looking for anything but cheapness. Waterfront development has been a key part in regeneration in many areas and relocating the industrial estate opp the Historic Dockyard would free up desirable residential land. After all, people wanted quality enough to live on the contaminated land of St Mary’s Island.

Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Regeneration of town centres and concentration on improving current land use rather than spreading out and starting on new land.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I fear this would cost more than any local authority can afford in current climate. Would need to know more about impact on heritage assets.

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Would spread the upheaval over the whole borough. I personally have little sympathy for green belt NIMBYS.

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Does nothing to address regeneration and place making in the town centres. Would KCC really want to chip in for highways updates etc.

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Development of existing village. To be honest I don’t know anything about Hoo and how beneficial this scheme would be.

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
I’d have to question why the Hoo peninsula hasn’t been developed before. Is it in some way unsuitable?

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
The best of both worlds option

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Concern that this is the compromise option. Slightly naive idea that public transport will take over from cars. After just two weeks commuting to Maidstone by public transport, I would have committed murder to get my car back.
Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway’s growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing delivery?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Not sure I know enough.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing mix?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Seems fair enough!

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for affordable housing and starter homes?

Agree

Please explain your response:

This is clearly a necessity in this area. The idea that the South East has no deprivation is ridiculous and I would expect social housing to be of better quality than the bottom end of private rental. My concern is that in order to create enough housing units to satisfy govt numbers, the quality of those units will be poor.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Supported Housing, Nursing Homes and Older Persons Accommodation?

Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

I am under 50 and have no one in the older bracket so have no experience on which to base an opinion.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for student accommodation?

Agree

Please explain your response:

I think it says a lot that the quality of housing in Medway is too low for students! Either students have changed significantly since I graduated or that’s some horrible horrible housing...

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for mobile home parks?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Fine

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houseboats?

Agree

Please explain your response:

Potential for expansion in this lifestyle is compromised by services available.
Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for houses of multiple occupation?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for self-build and custom house building?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for gypsy, traveller and travelling show people accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
I'd prefer to put traveller sites on greenbelt just to p*** off the Daily Mail readers but I'm guessing that's not very constructive

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for housing that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Employment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for economic development?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Seems sensible to play to strengths. Good to see cultural and historic tourism recognised as drivers for economic development

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for the rural economy?
Don't know/ No opinion

Please explain your response:
It looks ok but I have no knowledge of the issues in that area.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for tourism?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Grab those overnight stays! Will need some town centre regen to get ppl beyond the Historic Dockyard for any amount of time.

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for visitor accommodation?
Agree

Please explain your response:
Again, seems sensible

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for employment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Retail and town centres

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for retail and town centres?
Agree
Please explain your response:
Interesting mix esp Gillingham as student central. Whilst I appreciate the difficulties of persuading retailers into town and the danger to Chatham High Street should Debenhams leave but planning regs should promote town centre not out of town. Street works would be appreciated. The town centre is scruffy, dirty and feels rough. I don't know other centres except Rochester.

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for retail and town centres that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Natural environment and green belt

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for Strategic Access Management and Monitoring?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for securing strong Green Infrastructure?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for landscape?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for flood risk?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for air quality?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the natural environment and green belt that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Built environment

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing design?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for housing density?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for heritage?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for the built environment that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Health and communities

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for health?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for health and communities that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

Infrastructure

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Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for open space and sports facilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for utilities?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for implementation and delivery?
Please explain your response:

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Sustainable transport

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Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waterfronts and river access?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for marinas and moorings?
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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for cycle parking?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for connectivity?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for sustainable transport that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

**Minerals, waste and energy**

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for minerals planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for waste planning?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for energy?
Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?
Please explain your response:

Are there any alternative sustainable development options for minerals, waste and energy that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below

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Development Options Consultation
Online Questionnaire Responses

Respondent ID: 121
Name: Virginia Morris
Type of respondent: Member of the public

Vision for Medway 2035

Do you agree or disagree with the draft vision for Medway in 2035?
Agree

Please explain your response:

Strategic objectives

Do you agree or disagree with the strategic objectives in Section 2 of the draft Local Plan?
Don’t know/ No opinion

Please explain your response to any specific aspects of the strategic objectives:
What’s ‘a place that works well’?

Development options

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Infrastructure needs further evaluation prior to complying with targets on building such as secondary schools being built to cope with all the pupils from the new primary schools. Also the road network as many building sites only seem to think of their immediate area and not the effects of the country lanes surrounding them. Wouldham village is a prime example of this since Peters bridge has opened and the high street now has HGV’s following their sat nav’s through it. The properties do not have the foundations to cope with this use.
Maximising the potential of urban regeneration

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Brown field urban development. The towns are dying from the inside out. Regeneration can inspire people to enjoy and respect where they live and draw more to town living.

Thinking about option 1 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Faceless blocks of flats without community areas

Suburban expansion

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Infrastructure is generally available

Thinking about option 2 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Expanding destroys the surrounding farmland, woodlands and habitats and once they are gone they are gone and we are left with sterile country parks

A rural focus

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
Brown field only

Thinking about option 3 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Lack of road infrastructure, schools, buses etc. Just because it's cheaper to build on fresh fields instead of clearing contaminated land is shortsighted as you are just contaminating more

Urban regeneration and rural town

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you support? Please comment in the box below.
No comment as not sure I've understood the brief

Thinking about option 4 please explain what aspects of this potential development you do not support? Please comment in the box below.
Why build a ‘town’ in areas without suitable roads and amenities?

Other alternatives for delivering sustainable development

Are there any alternative sustainable development options that will meet Medway's growth needs that have not been considered? Please comment in the box below.
Stop allowing further edge of town retail development such as McDonalds and Aldis at the end of Hermitage lane. Houses there would have caused less congestion and pollution. Did we really need another fast food outlet?
Local Plan approach to policy development

Housing

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Don’t know/ No opinion

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Please explain your response:

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Please explain your response:

Do you agree or disagree with the policy approach for renewable and low carbon technologies?

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