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Subject: Medway Core Strategy - Lodge Hill nightingales workshop 9 November

Dear all

I am writing to update you on the consideration of the Lodge Hill site through the Medway Core Strategy process. The planning inspector has suspended the Examination to allow time to carry out further work on assessing the potential for compensatory habitat for nightingales. Survey work is currently underway on this matter. The council is arranging a stakeholder workshop to consider the outcome of the survey and assessment work. The workshop is open to those organisations that have been involved in the discussions regarding nightingales at Lodge Hill, and others who have made representations on Lodge Hill through the Core Strategy process. Please note that this workshop is to solely consider the technical assessment of compensation for nightingales, and not any other issues that parties may have raised regarding Lodge Hill.

The workshop has been organised for Friday 9th November. This is likely to run over both the morning and afternoon. An agenda with confirmed times, venue and supporting papers will be circulated in advance of the meeting.

I would be grateful if you could note the date in your diary now, if you are interested in attending the workshop.

I would also appreciate if you could let me know if you are able to attend, and any colleagues that may be attending with you. This information is critical to ensure that we can make the appropriate arrangements with the venue for this large meeting.

I look forward to receiving your reply.

regards

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Subject: Medway Core Strategy - Lodge Hill strategic allocation

Attachments: Medway Core Strategy - Lodge Hill nightingales workshop 9 November

Dear all

I am following up on my email of 12 October (attached for reference) regarding a workshop to consider the potential for compensatory habitat for nightingales, resulting from proposed development at Lodge Hill, Chattenden.

I have noted that you are not attending the workshop planned for 9 November, however I wanted to ensure that you are kept informed on the progress of work on this matter.

The council has published details of the work being carried out into an assessment of compensatory habitat for nightingales on its website at:

<http://www.medway.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/developmentplan/localdevelopmentframework/ldfevidencebase/lodgehill.aspx>

The papers include an agenda for the meeting, an overview of the process and timetable being followed, and supporting technical documents.

The council will continue to update this webpage and will alert you to any further developments.

I hope that this is of interest to you.

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Subject: Medway Core Strategy - Nightingale Workshop 9 November 2012

Attachments: list of attendees.doc; workshop agenda 9 nov 12.pdf

Dear all

I am writing with details of the agenda and further information for the workshop arranged for Friday 9th November. This meeting supports work on the Medway Local Development Framework Core Strategy. The workshop is to specifically consider the assessment of a mitigation/compensation package for nightingales that may be impacted by proposed development at Lodge Hill. It is not to consider any other issues regarding Lodge Hill that parties may have raised during the Core Strategy process.

Please note that due to the size of the meeting, we will need to manage the workshop carefully. Some organisations have a number of representatives attending, and it will be helpful to have a nominated 'lead' to help facilitate the discussions. The meeting will be minuted and all points of agreement and differences identified during the meetings will be recorded. A draft report will be produced following the meeting and circulated to you for comments. These comments will be taken into account in producing a final version of the report to submit to the Core Strategy Planning Inspector.

Agenda and supporting information

I have attached a copy of the agenda and a list of people attending the meeting. This is the confirmed attendance list and accommodation arrangements have been made accordingly.

There are a number of supporting papers, some of which are quite large. In order to avoid problems of overloading email accounts, we have uploaded the documents onto our council website, so that they are accessible to all.

I would like to refer you to the following papers/documents:

- Process and timetable, November 2012
<http://www.medway.gov.uk/pdf/Process%20and%20timetable%20November%202012.pdf>
- BTO report considering compensatory habitat for nightingales, October 2012
<http://www.medway.gov.uk/pdf/Nightingale%20habitat%20compensation%20report%20FINAL%2018%2010%202012.pdf>
- EBL report into biodiversity offsetting, July 2012
<http://www.medway.gov.uk/pdf/EBL%20report%20into%20biodiversity%20offsetting%20July%202012.pdf>
- GGKM report considering potential compensatory habitat in Medway, July 2012
<http://www.medway.gov.uk/pdf/Final%20document%20GGKM%20Nightingale%20report%20230712.pdf>

- The Ecology Consultancy assessment of nightingales, August 2012 <http://www.medway.gov.uk/pdf/Ecology%20Consultancy%20Lodge%20Hill%20Nightingale%20Assessment%20030812.pdf>
- Minutes of Technical meeting, 25 September 2012 <http://www.medway.gov.uk/pdf/Minutes%20of%20Technical%20Meeting%2025%20Sep%202012.pdf>
- Map showing provisional 2012 BTO survey data for Lodge Hill <http://www.medway.gov.uk/PDF/RSPB%20note%20on%20SSSI%20and%20breeding%20birds,%2014%20June%202012.pdf>

Please note that there is a further report being prepared to support the workshop next week. This presents survey information on Lodge Hill, and consideration of the potential for compensatory habitat in Kent and Medway. Unfortunately it has not been possible to circulate this work today, and I will be issuing this on Monday 5th November. I apologise for this delay and hope that this does not cause you any inconvenience.

Venue

The workshop will take place at the **Brook Theatre, Chatham from 10am to 2.45pm on Friday, 9th November**. The address is The Brook Theatre, Old Town Hall, Chatham, Kent ME4 4SE. I have attached details of the location in the link below:

<http://maps.google.co.uk/maps?hl=en&q=the+brook+theatre+chatham&ie=UTF8&hq=the+brook+theatre&hnear=Strood,+Medway,+United+Kingdom&ll=51.41227,0.53627&spn=0.074947,0.145912&t=m&z=12&vpsrc=6&iwloc=B&f=d&daddr=Brook+Theatre,+The+Brook,+5+The+Brook,+Town+Centre+ME4+4SE&geocode=%3BCUsXObyHS6xIFb8SEAMdAwYIACkjSUBOBs3YRzFe3IhqkBKSnQ>

The venue is in central Chatham, opposite the Chatham Waterfront Bus Station, and a short walk from Chatham rail station. There are car parks immediately to the rear of the theatre. I have attached details of car parks in the link below:

<http://www.medway.gov.uk/transportandstreets/parking/wheretoparkinmedway/wheretoparkinchatham.aspx>

If you need any further information or directions, please let me know.

Thank you for your interest in this work and your participation in this process.

regards

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Subject: Medway Core Strategy - Nightingale Workshop 9 November 2012

Attachments: Revised EBL Offsetting Assessment_Lodge Hill final.pdf

Dear all

Further to my email on Friday, I am attaching a copy of the report produced by the Environment Bank Limited to support the workshop this Friday.

The attached document is a draft report considering biodiversity offsetting to compensate for nightingale habitat loss that may result from proposed development at Lodge Hill.

Apologies for the delay in circulating this document, and I hope that you find it helpful background in preparation for the workshop.

I look forward to seeing you on Friday. Thank you for your interest in this work and your participation in this process.

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Attachments: Appendix A.pdf

Dear all

I am following up on the outstanding information in support of the workshop planned for 9 November to consider the application of biodiversity offsetting in developing a compensation/mitigation package for nightingales that may be impacted by proposed development at Lodge Hill.

Please see attached a draft table of habitat condition and distinctiveness (Appendix A for the EBL Biodiversity Offsetting Analysis of Lodge Hill, Kent) as a stand alone document.

I will forward any further information received in support of Friday's workshop tomorrow.

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Attachments: RECH124_Fig1_RevisedPhase1Survey_NS_071112.pdf

Dear all

I am following up on my earlier emails regarding the Nightingale workshop arranged for tomorrow.

Please see attached a revised Phase 1 habitat survey map from Thomson Ecology to be inserted into Appendix 1 of the EBL report 'Biodiversity Offsetting to compensate for nightingale habitat loss at Lodge Hill, Kent'.

Apologies for the delay in providing this information, and I hope that you will find it useful.

I look forward to seeing you at the workshop tomorrow.

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