# Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications to the Regulation 19 <br> Maidstone Local Plan Review - <br> Post Stage 2 Examination Hearings 

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## Background to the Main Modifications

## 1. Introduction

1.1. The Maidstone Local Plan Review is currently undergoing Examination in Public. This document has been prepared to support the examination. It sets out proposed Main Modifications to the plan which are considered necessary to ensure it can be made sound in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework. The Main Modifications presented in this document provide a consolidation of modifications to-date which have been developed following the Regulation 19 stage consultation on the Local Plan Review and through the plan examination process.
2. Reading the Schedule of Main Modifications
2.1. For ease of reference, the schedule is organised by main chapters of the Local Plan Review and set out in a table format. The table columns provide information for each modification as follows:

- Modification ref - Main modification reference number.
- Policy, paragraph, page ref - Reference to the relevant part of the Local Plan Review for which the modification is proposed.
- Modification proposed - This presents the modification proposed to the Local Plan Review Regulation 19 document.

Additions are shown in blue underline. Deletions are shown in red strikethrough.

- Reason - Summary of the reason for the modification.


## Chapter 1: Introduction

No modifications proposed.

## Chapter 2: Introduction to the Maidstone Borough Local Plan Review

| Mod ref | Policy, paragraph, page ref | Modification proposed | Reason |
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| MM1 | Para 2.5 | Amend paragraph 2.5 as follows: <br> This Local Plan Review document updates and supersedes the 2017 Local Plan, whilst 'saving' relevant policies contained within it, and ensuring that it is in line with the latest national planning requirements, including extending the plan period to 2037/38 2038. A schedule of the 'saved' policies is included in Appendix 3. The Local Plan Review is a key document that sets the framework to guide the future development of the Borough. It plans for homes, jobs, shopping, leisure and the environment, including biodiversity and climate change, as well as the associated infrastructure to support new development. It explains the 'why, what, where, when and how' development will be delivered through the strategy that plans for growth and renewal whilst at the same time protects and enhances the borough's natural and built assets. | For plan effectiveness, consistency with the NPPF, and to align with Main Modifications with respect to the plan period. |
| MM2 | Para 2.11 | Amend paragraph 2.11 as follows: <br> The Marine Management Organisation has produced a South East Marine Plan. Under the Marine and Coastal Access Act, any relevant authorisation or enforcement decisions must be made in accordance with the marine plan. Any other decisions which may impact the marine area must also have regard to the marine plan. The Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan identifies Mineral Safeguarding Areas whose purpose is to avoid the unnecessary sterilization of any mineral resources through incompatible development. | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM3 | Para 2.12 | Amend paragraph 2.12 as follows: <br> Neighbourhood Development Plans, which are also called Neighbourhood Plans are prepared by Parish Councils and Neighbourhood Forums. A Neighbourhood Plan attains the same legal status as other documents within the Development Plan once it has been agreed at referendum and is made (brought into legal force) by the Borough Council. Government advises that a Neighbourhood Plan should support the strategic dovolopment noods set out in | For consistency with the NPPF. |


|  | an adopted Local Plan and plan positively to support local development meet certain basic <br> conditions as set out in legislation. One of the conditions is that Neighbourhood Plans must <br> be prepared in accordance with the NPPF and be in general conformity with the strategic <br> policies of the adopted Maidstone Borough Local Plan Review. A schedule of the policies that <br> are 'strategic policies' for the purpose of neighbourhood planning are included in Appendix 4. |  |
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## Chapter 3: Spatial portrait and key local issues

No modifications proposed.

## Chapter 4: Spatial vision and objectives

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| MM4 | Para 4.2 | Amend paragraph 4.2 as follows: <br> Having regard to the Borough's Strategic Plan, as well as the other matters and strategic issues that the LPR will need to address, looking to the end of the plan period and beyond ${ }^{11}$, the proposed spatial vision for the LPR is as follows: <br> [Text box] By 2037 Maidstone: A borough open to and Eembracing growth which provides improved infrastructure, economic opportunity and prosperity, along with services, spaces, and homes for our communities, while addressing biodiversity and climate change challenges and protecting our heritage, natural and cultural assets. This will be achieved through the implementation of the Spatial Strategy as set out in Chapter 5 of this Local Plan Review. <br> [Footnote] ${ }^{1}$ NPPF paragraph 22 requirement to include a vision that looks further ahead (at least 30 years) to take into account the likely timescale for delivery of the new garden settlements. | For consistency with the NPPF. |
| MM5 | Para 4.6 | Amend paragraph 4.6 as follows: <br> Development will have regard to safeguarding and maintaining the character of the borough's tandscapes including the Kent Downs and High Weald Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and their settings Great weight will be given to conserving and enhancing the Kent Downs and High Weald Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and their settings. Development will | For consistency with the NPPF. |


|  |  | conserve and enhance the landscape and scenic beauty of the Kent Downs and High Weald <br> Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and their settings. Development will also conserve and <br> enhance other distinctive landscapes of local value and heritage designations whilst <br> facilitating the economic and social well-being of these areas, including the diversification of <br> the rural economy. |
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| MM6 | Para 4.7 | Amend paragraph 4.7 as follows: <br> To recognise the climate change emergency by ensuring that development supports the <br> Council's ambition of becoming a carbon neutral borough by 2030 by delivering sustainable <br> and, where possible, low carbon growth which protects and enhances the boroughs natural <br> environment. The Council will, through local plan policy, seek to facilitate the necessary <br> infrastructure to enable residents and businesses to minimise their impact on and respond to <br> climate change. Developments will have considered the potential for the site to be delivered in <br> a low carbon way, the incorporation of zero or low carbon technologies, and will include <br> provision to enable future technologies and climate change adaptation. Additionally, <br> development will give high regard to protection and enhancement of biodiversity. Developers <br> and the Council will work proactively with the sewerage service provider to ensure that any |
| $\frac{\text { necessary upgrades to wastewater treatment works and/or the sewer network resulting from }}{}$ |  |  |
| $\frac{\text { new development are identified early to ensure that performance of wastewater infrastructure }}{\text { is not diminished by the connection of new development. }}$ |  |  |

## Chapter 5: The borough spatial strategy

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| MM7 | LPRSS1 | Amend Policy LPRSS1 as follows: <br> Maidstone Borough spatial strategy 2022-20372021-2038 <br> 1. Between 20222021 and 20372038 provision is made through the granting of planning permissions and the allocation of sites for a minimum of $17,74619,669$ new dwellings. <br> 2. Between 20222021 and 20372038 provision is made through the granting of planning permissions and the allocation of sites for a minimum of $119,250 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ employment floorspace as follows: | For consistency with the NPPF. <br> To ensure the plan is justified and for plan effectiveness. |

i. $33,43036,650 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ floorspace for office use;
ii. $27,13533,660 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ floorspace for industrial use;
iii. $40,99048,940 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ floorspace for warehousing use.
3. Between 20222021 and 20372038 provision is made through the granting of planning permissions and the allocation of sites for a minimum of $14,360 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ retail, food and beverage floorspace as follows:
i.5,7265,990 $\mathrm{m}^{2}$ floorspace for retail (convenience) use;
ii. $1,1161,220 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ floorspace for retail (comparison) use; and
iii. $6,927 \overline{\overline{, 150}} \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ floorspace for food and beverage use.
4. New land allocations that contribute towards meeting the above provisions are identified on the policies map.

## Maidstone Urban Area

5. Maidstone urban area will continue to be a focus for development in the borough. Best use will be made of available sites within the urban area. Renewal is prioritised within the town centre, which will continue to be the primary retail and office location in the borough, and for which further detailed masterplanning is proposed to ensure that the maximum benefit is realised from development in the town centre.

## Garden Settlement \& Strategic Development Locations

6. New, sustainable Garden Settlements are identified at Lenham Heath and Lidsing which will provide new homes, jobs and services, all delivered to garden community principles.
7. A Strategic Development Location is identified at Invicta Barracks, with potential for development in the Leeds-Langley corridor to support and enable a possible addition to the highway network linking the A274 with M20 J8.

## Employment Sites

8. Delivery of Woodcut Farm, Aa prestigious business park at Junction 8 of the M20 that is well connected to the motorway network, will provide for a range of job needs up to 20372038. The site will make a substantial contribution to the need for new office space in the borough as well as meeting the 'qualitative' need for a providing a new, well serviced

|  |  | and well-connected mixed-use employment site suitable for offices, industry and warehousing $\bar{y}_{i}$ and will thereby helping to diversify the range of sites available to new and expanding businesses in the borough. Redevelopment of the former Syngenta Works site near Yalding will make a significant contribution to the provision of employment uses, as will the continued build out of the Kent Medical Campus/ Newnham Park site. A number of smaller sites for employment use are allocated around the borough to accommodate a diverse range of employment types. <br> Gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople <br> 9. The Council will seek to ensure that the accommodation needs of the gypsy, traveller and travelling showpeople community over the plan period will be met in full. Further details will be set out in a Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople DPD. |  |
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| MM8 | Para 5.19 | Amend paragraph 5.19 as follows: <br> There is a potentially significant emerging noed for Gypsy \&and Traveller accommodation. As noted elsewhere in this document, work on a dedicated Development Plan Document (DPD) will be-undertaken at the earliest-opportunity is underway, in accordance with the Local development Scheme (LDS) timetables. <br> There is a potentially significant need for gypsy and traveller accommodation. The latest evidence, in the form of a Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Accommodation Assessment (GTAA), indicates an indicative total need for 543 pitches and 7 plots over the period 2023 to 2040. These figures include both those who meet the planning definition as set out in the Planning Policy for Traveller Sites and those households of gypsy and traveller ethnicity who do not travel but seek culturally appropriate accommodation. <br> Importantly it is recognised that these figures are subject to review and do not represent the final number of pitches that must be allocated through the DPD. Further work is required to understand the short term need for pitches for those meeting the planning definition, as this will indicate the requirement specifically for site allocations and the number will need to be adjusted accordingly at that time. Additionally, assessment of existing sites is required to ascertain how much of the identified need can be sustainably and suitably accommodated through existing site reorganisation, intensification and/or expansion, without the need to find additional land for entirely new sites. <br> Ultimately, the need figures contained in the emerging DPD will supersede the indicative figures provided in this Local Plan Review. | To ensure the plan is justified and for consistency with the NPPF. |


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| MM9 | Figure 5.3 <br> (Key <br> Diagram) | Amend Figure 5.3 (Key Diagram) as follows: | To ensure the plan is <br> justified and for plan <br> effectiveness. <br> Page 32 | Delete the Leeds-Langley Corridor |

Chapter 6: Spatial strategic policies

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| MM10 | LPRSP1 | Through a combination of site allocations, identified broad locations and the granting of planning permissions, development in the town centre will deliver in the region of 3,0592,500 new homes, 6,169 sqm of commercial floorspace, and 6,4627,162 sqm of retail/food and drink floorspace to 20372038. This includes the following: |  |  |  |  | For plan effectiveness and factual updates. |
|  |  | Town Centre allocations |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Reference | Site address | New homes | Commercial floorspace (sqm) | Retail floorspace (sqm) |  |
|  |  | H1(18) | Dunning Hall (off Fremlin Walk), Week Street | 14 | 0 | 0 |  |
|  |  | RMX1(3) | King Street car park | 0 | 0 | 7001 1,400 |  |
|  |  | LPRSA144 | High Street/Medway Street ${ }^{\text {43 }}$ | 50 | 0 | 150 |  |
|  |  | LPRSA145 | Len House ${ }^{21}$ | 159 | 0 | 3,612 |  |
|  |  | LPRSA146 | Maidstone East/ Royal Mail sorting office ${ }^{33}$ | 500 | 5,000 | 2,000 |  |
|  |  | LPRSA147 | Gala Bingo \& Granada House | 40 | TBD | TBD |  |
|  |  | LPRSA148 | Maidstone Riverside | 650 | TBD | TBD |  |



b) The development and redevelopment or infilling of appropriate urban sites in a way that contributes positively to the locality's distinctive character;
c) Retaining well located business areas;
d) Maintaining the network of district and local centres, supporting enhancements to these centres in accordance with the overall hierarchy of centres;
e) Retaining the town's greenspaces and ensuring that development positively contributes to the setting, accessibility, biodiversity and amenity value of these areas as well as the River Medway and the River Len; and
f) Supporting development that improves the health, social, environmental and employment well- being of those living in identified areas of deprivation.
g) The planned redevelopment of the Invicta Barracks as a strategic development location to the north of the town centre as identified in Policy LPRSP5(a) for approximately 1,300 new homes, community infrastructure and publicly accessible open space.

## (4)(3) Strategic policy LPRSP3 sets out the requirements for development around the

 edge of the urban area. Elsewhere in the urban area land is allocated for housing, retail and employment development together with supporting infrastructure.a) Approximately 1,846 new dwellings will be delivered on 23 existing Local Plan sites in accordance with policies H 1 (11) to $\mathrm{H} 1(30)$.
b) Approximately 178 additional units will be delivered in the urban area on sites LPRSA 366,152 and 303.
c) Fourteen existing sites at Aylesford Industrial Estate, Tovil Green Business Park, Viewpoint (Boxley), Hart Street Commercial Centre, The Old Forge, The Old Brewery, South Park Business Village, Turkey Mill Court, Eclipse Park, County Gate, Medway Bridge House, Albion Place, Victoria Court and Lower Stone Street(Gail House, Link House, Kestrel House and Chaucer House) are designated Economic Development Areas in order to maintain employment opportunities in the urban area (policy SP11(a)).
d) Key infrastructure requirements to be delivered either through Section 106 obligations or via CIL include:
i. Improvements to highway and transport infrastructure, including junction ii. improvements, capacity improvements to part of Bearsted Road, A229 (Royal Engineers Way), and Hermitage Lane, improved pedestrian/cycle access and bus prioritisation measures, in accordance with individual site criteria set out in policies H 1 (11) to H 1 (30);
i. Additional secondary school capacity including one form entry expansions of the Maplesden Noakes School and Maidstone Grammar School;


|  |  | in which to live and work. There will be new local jobs, community facilities, schools, cafes shops, and leisure facilities set in high quality public spaces creating an active and animated environment with enhanced biodiversity. To facilitate healthy lifestyles, high quality connected landscapes and green infrastructure will be provided for exercise, sport, play, walking, cycling, and leisure, sitting alongside facilities for growing food. Pedestrians, cyclists, and public transport will be priorities helping sustainable travel opportunities with convenient and safe linkages within Heathlands, to surrounding communities and to new community facilities. There will be a sensitive transition between the AONB and Heathlands, with a heathland landscape and strong planting in the northern parcels, and landscaped spaces for village greens, parks, commons and naturalistic green spaces throughout. A new Heathlands Rail Station along the AshfordMaidstone line will be explored provided to achieve a wider sustainable connected network, providing opportunities for residents and businesses along the A20 corridor. Homes will be for all stages of life with affordable provision and will be of a high-quality innovative design reflecting the local vernacular, incorporating its heritage and landscape character. Flexible business space and communal workspace facilities will be provided for new and established local companies and for those that reside locally. Implementing a proposal of this scale will extend appreciably beyond the plan period. The assessment of impacts and infrastructure requirements has been undertaken on that basis and will be updated as part of subsequent plan review, based upon a detailed Supplementary Planning Document and master planning work. |  |
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| MM14 | Para 6.71 | After paragraph 6.71 insert new paragraph 6.71(a) as follows: <br> Proposals must be accompanied by a comprehensive Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment prepared in accordance with the Landscape Institute's and Institute of Environmental Management \& Assessment's ‘Guidelines for Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment' (Third Edition) or updates to this guidance. | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM15 | LPRSP4(A) | Amend Policy LPRSP4(A) as follows: <br> The Council will work with the promoter to produce an agreed Supplementary Planning Document to masterplan and facilitate the site's delivery. The following criteria must be met in addition to other policies of this Local Plan: <br> 1) Phasing and delivery <br> a) Housing completions are anticipated to commence 20292031, with infrastructure being delivered in accordance with the table below; | For plan effectiveness, and to ensure the plan is positively prepared and justified. To align with other Main Modifications with respect to plan period and development phasing. To ensure |




c) Infrastructure will be delivered on a phased basis, when it is needed and as early as possible in the development process where key infrastructure is concerned, in accordance with an agreed phasing strategy.
d) Phasing shall ensure full extraction of minerals sites allocations identified in the Kent Minerals and Waste Plan.

## 2) Housing:

a) Approximately 5,000 new homes, including 1,400 homes within the period 2029-37;
b) A target amount of $40 \%$ affordable housing;
c) Range of house types including across tenures, mix, including for inter-generational living.

## 3) Landscape \& Design

a) Development of the site will adopt measures to minimize the potential for harm and maximise the potential for beneficial changes to the setting of the Kent Downs AONB,
b) All built development will be broadly contained within the $110-115 \mathrm{~m}$ contours to the north of the railway line, with the exception of new road, pedestrian and cycle accesses from the A20;
c) How the development will present an appropriate edge to respond to views from the Pilgrims Way within the Kent Downs AONB.
d) A landscape scheme will be prepared to inform design parameters including for views into and from the AONB;
a) The design and layout of the development shall be landscape-led and designed to avoid or minimise adverse impacts on the Kent Downs AONB. Where required to mitigate any such impacts arising from the development, structural planting shall be carried out as early as possible in relation to each phase to optimise its effectiveness.

The development shall include structural planting, including planting belts on an east-west axis provided on parts of the site where appropriate to avoid or minimise adverse impacts on the AONB and views in and out of the AONB. The location and design of the structural planting shall be informed by an LVIA or similar assessment to identify where it is best located. This shall include an appropriate landscaped edge to respond to views from the Kent Downs AONB.

|  |  | Structural planting shall maximise opportunities for early mitigation and biodiversity enhancements. The planting regime should seek to implement the structural planting in all phases of the development at the earliest opportunity, notwithstanding, the anticipated commencement of development in each of the various phases as identified above (LPRSP4(A)(1)(a)). <br> b) The development will be sensitively located and designed taking into account: the orientation of buildings, building heights, site layout, design, materials, colour and lighting to avoid or minimise adverse impacts on the AONB. This will be developed and secured via the Landscape Strategy and SPD; <br> c) No built development will be located within 350 m of the AONB boundary, with the exception of the new road, pedestrian and cycle accesses from the A20; <br> d) The development will be carried out in accordance with a Landscape Strategy to be prepared as part of the SPD to inform design parameters including for views into and from the AONB. The Landscape Strategy will include: <br> i. Identification of key views for LVIA purposes; <br> ii. Location, form, and timing for advanced structural planting; <br> iii. Maintenance and protection of long-term structural landscaping; <br> iv. High level landscape codes for the most sensitive development interfaces; <br> e) Provision of appropriate interfaces with existing buildings which will be retained on and around the site; <br> f) How tThe settlement will be designed to provide an appropriate relationship and connectivity to Lenham, Lenham Heath \& Charing, whilst utilising and new linkages between the settlements; <br> g) Investigating how Optimise density will be optimised, particularly around the areas with the best access to the potential new railway station, district and local centres, and high-quality open spaces, having regard to the setting of the AONB. <br> 4) Employment/ Commercial <br> a) Development should aim to provide for as close to 5,000 new jobs as feasible and viable; |
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iii. The timing and trigger points for mitigation measures to be determined in accordance with
Monitor and Manage Strategy to avoid potentially severe impacts on the highway network;
iv. Proportion of vehicle movements acknowledging the prospects for internal trips,
sustainable transport measures, and the certainty of the new rail station.
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## 7) Environmental

a) A new country park around the Stour River corridor in the south of the site. including a The creation of a wetlands areas to assist with the filtration of nitrates \& and phosphates arising within the upper Stour catchment, having regard to Natural England's latest advice in July 2020 regarding nutrients entering the River Stour and other relevant statutory biodiversity advice;
b) Climate Change adaptations and mitigations aimed at ensuring the new settlement is operationally net zero in terms of carbon emissions;
c) $20 \%$ biodiversity net gain will be expected to be achieved on-site;
d) There are several areas of potential archaeological sensitivity across the site, and these should be surveyed and development should respond to their significance and be informed by a heritage impact assessment, in particular the potential for multi-period archaeological remains associated with prehistoric and later activity around Chapel Farm, Mount Castle and Lenham Forstal.

The development area has a rich and diverse heritage which presents unique opportunities and constraints. It will be important that key parts of the site are carefully designed to ensure
appropriate preservation and, where possible, enhancement of heritage assets to the benefit of the garden village community; their awareness, understanding and enjoyment of the special historic environment here.
e) Site design and layout shall be informed by a sensitive response to local and historic assets and landscapes built heritage that development will need to have regard to includes:

- Royston Manor (grade II* listed)
- Chilston Park Registered Park and Garden
- A number of grade II listed buildings where their setting has the potential to be affected by the development
- Listed buildings within the setting of the site including at Lenham and Chilston Park

|  |  | There are several areas of potential archaeological sensitivity across the site, and these should be surveyed, and development should respond to their significance and be informed by a Heritage Impact Assessment. <br> f) Use of sustainable drainage methods to manage surface water flooding issues and ensure flood risk is not exacerbated elsewhere including a site-wide Flood Risk Assessment will be required; <br> g) Noise and drainage mitigation measures are identified where required integrated within the design and layout of the site; <br> h) Development creates a number of The enhancement of existing, and creation of new, ecological corridors through the site, including along or parallel to the River Stour. <br> 8) Governance and stewardship: will be set out the strategy will identifying: <br> a) How the 30 -year vision will be fulfilled; <br> b) How the settlement will be community-managed; <br> c) Maintenance of infrastructure, urban public realm, and open spaces will be carried out; <br> d) Roles for utilities and infrastructure operators; <br> e) How revenues from development will be recycled within the site to meet the above requirements. <br> f) And ensuring that key infrastructure such as public transport can be delivered in a timely manner as the settlement grows, including consideration of risks and actions to maintain their viability and deliverability. |  |
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| MM16 | LPRSP4(B) | After paragraph 6.77 insert new paragraph as follows: <br> The impact of new development on the integrity of the North Downs Woodlands SAC requires careful consideration, with reference to Policy LPRSP14(A). Traffic modelling of the proposed development will be required to quantify the predicted nitrogen deposition on roads passing the SAC. If nitrogen deposition exceeds the screening criteria set out in IAQM guidance (1\% of the SAC's critical load for nitrogen deposition), then mitigation will be required. Mitigation measures must be set out in a Mitigation Strategy, to be agreed by the Council and Natural England. Applications must clearly demonstrate through project-level HRA that the Mitigation Strategy is appropriate, can be feasibly implemented and will be sufficient to fully mitigate any identified adverse effects on the SAC. Mitigation measures may be provided on and/or off-site as appropriate and necessary. | For plan effectiveness, and to ensure the plan is positively prepared and justified. To ensure consistency with NPPF and Department for Transport Circular 01/22. |






|  |  | a) Development will proceed in accordance with a detailed design code agreed between the Local Planning Authority and promoter; <br> b) Development of the site will be landscape-led to ensure that there are positive enhancements to the Capstone Valley and Kent Downs AONB setting; <br> c) The overall utility of the Capstone Valley will be significantly enhanced including for recreation; <br> d) The development will create a positive outfacing edge when viewed from the Medway urban area including Lordswood and Hempstead and the AONB to the south; <br> e) Floorplates may need to be restricted where they impact upon the setting of the AONB; <br> f) e) Appropriate interfaces will be created with existing buildings which will be retained on and around the site to protect their significance; <br> g) f) Design will reflect how the settlement's shape is configured with regards its relationship to the Medway urban area, as well as the AONB and Bredhurst; <br> h) Investigating how density can be optimised, particularly around the areas with the best access to services and high-quality open spaces <br> g) The balance of land south of the M2 that is not used for highway infrastructure will be utilised for green infrastructure, including areas for public access, the details of which will be developed through the SPD and masterplanning processes. <br> Planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met, and the submission is in accordance with the approved SPD: <br> h) The development proposals for employment uses will not exceed a total floorspace of 42,000 sqm and will respect the topography of the site by minimising the need for site excavation; <br> i) Landscape buffers of at least 15 metres will be established along the site's boundary to the M2 motorway and the future management of landscaped areas will be secured by S106 Agreement; <br> i) A landscaped setting for the development and roads will be created alongside a strong internal landscaping framework within the employment development zones adjacent to the M2. These landscaped corridors will be multifunctional to create drainage and ecological corridors and |  |
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a) A bespoke infrastructure funding agreement based on the value captured from the development, expected to be higher than that which would ordinarily be captured using a borough CIL approach, and should be spent on infrastructure locally, and in the surrounding areas where suitable.
b) A new 3FE primary school within or adjacent to the local centre, and a contribution towards the creation of a new secondary school capacity in the Capstone Valley area;
c) A comprehensive set of local infrastructure commensurate with a new community of 2,000 new homes, principally focused on the new local centre including a new medical facility;
d) A full suite of open space will be delivered in accordance with Policy INF1:
i. $\quad 3.33 \mathrm{Ha}$ Amenity green space
ii. 1.19 Ha Play space
iii. 7.6 Ha sports provision
iv. $\quad 0.95 \mathrm{Ha}$ of allotments
v. 31 Ha natural/semi natural open space

## 6) Transport Connections

Prior to the first occupation of any floorspace or units on the development of a 'Vision and Validate' and 'Monitor and Manage Strategy' shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority, in consultation with National Highways and KCC Highways. Thereafter the approved framework shall be implemented until full completion of the development unless otherwise agreed by the Local Planning Authority.
a) A new connection to the M2 at Junction 4 will be created, enabling improved connections across the Capstone Valley and into Medway;
b) A new orbital bus service: linking Lordswood \& Hempstead, and linking to the Medway town centres will be created;

## i. Linking Lordswood \& Hempstead, and linking to the Medway town centres; ii. Serving Boxley and Bredhurst, including exploring the potential for diversion through

 the site;c) New half-hourly bus services to be provided between the site and Chatham via North Dane Way.
d) Cycling \& Walking links throughout the site, and strategically north-south along the Capstone Valley and into the wider Medway area will be created;
e) Priority, through design, throughout the site for vulnerable road users and active travel modes.
f) Measures to prevent rat-running in local roads, including through Bredhurst and Boxley.


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| MM17 | LPRSP5 | Amend Policy LPRSP5 as follows: <br> 1) Strategic Development Locations will be delivered across the Plan Period for: <br> a) A target of 1,300 units at Invicta Barracks <br> b) 1,000 units within the Lenham broad location for housing growth. <br> 2) A potential strategic development location will be safeguarded for delivering a now LoedsLangley Relief Road. | To ensure the plan is justified and to align with other Main Modifications with respect to Invicta Barracks and Leeds Langley Corridor. |
| MM18 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Paras } 6.82 \\ & \text { to } 6.92 \end{aligned}$ | Amend paragraphs 6.82 to 6.92 as follows: | For plan effectiveness. To align with other |



|  |  | 6.89 In advance of the above work as part of the call for sites exercise, which formed part of the Local Plan Reviow, local landowners have identified a significant amount of land within the vicinity of the potential highway intervention for mixed use development. <br> 6.90 At the current time, the delivery of a new road is not confirmed by the local Highways Authority. Discussions are ongoing howover regarding how a scheme may be designed. <br> 6.91 With this in mind, a safeguarded area is proposed which requires prospective developments in this area to demonstrate that they do not prejudice the future creation of a new route. This covers the minimum area considered necessary to protect both the alignment of the road and the area necessary for enabling development identified as needed to make the scheme feasible. The safeguarding <br> direction does not preclude development in this area. Existing permissions and allocations remain extant, but upon renewal or variation of consents, Policy SP5(A) will apply. <br> 6.9285 Discussions between KCC, MBC, local landowners and other stakeholders will continue, with the potential for a future Development Plan Document to be produced to guide development of the route in partnership with landowners \& KCC. It will also be expected that development at the scale anticipated to fund and deliver a scheme will bring forward the normal range of other associated infrastructure. However, <br> there is no now development proposed by this plan within the safeguarded area at the current time. |  |
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| MM19 | LPRSP5(A) | Delete Policy LPRSP5(A) as follows: <br> LPRSP5(A) - DEVELOPMENT IN THE LEEDS-LANGLEY CORRIDOR <br> 1. Land within the corridor defined on the policies map, will be safeguarded for potential future development, which will be required to provide a quantum of enabling development which will moot its own and future highway noods and to provide connectivity betweon M20 junction 8 and the A274. <br> 2. Development proposals which come forward in the defined corridor will be assessed for their potential to prejudice the delivery of a new highway. Proposals for new residential and commercial development coming forward in the defined corridor will need to be accompanied by a masterplan demonstrating how the development of the site potentially contributes to or does not inhibit the delivery of a Leeds Langley relief road. | To ensure the plan is justified. |




2. Integration of new development within the existing landscape structure of the site (supported by ecological, arboricultural, and landscape and visual impact assessments together with the identification of detailed mitigation measures where appropriate);
3. Ensuring requisite community facilities, which may include neighbourhood shopping and health facilities in addition to a now through-school, are delivered where proven necessary and in conjunction with housing;
4. Provision of publicly accessible open space, including natural and semi-natural open space, as proven necessary, and/or contributions;
5. Off-site highway improvements as necessary to mitigate the impact of development;
6. Securing a network of public footpath and cycling routes through the site;
7. Preservation of features of ecological importance, including the retention and enhancement of wildlife corridors, and ensuring that connection with ecological features and corridors outside the site is maintained/enhanced, and securing biodiversity net gain, in accordance with Policy LPRSP14(A).
8. Enhanced walking, cycling and public transport connections to the town centre and local area;
9. Preservation of Park House (Grade II*) and its setting, in particular the parkland to the north and east of Park House to include removal of existing built devolopment at 1-8 (consecutive) The Crescent to enhance/restore the parkland setting; and
10. Development proposals must demonstrate that the necessary sewerage infrastructure is either available or can be delivered in parallel with the development.
11. The SPD should have a focus on celebrating the military heritage and broader history of the site.
12. Retention of a Hindu place of worship within the site will be required.
13. Provision of an 8 FE all through school (2FE primary and 6FE secondary) on the wider Invicta Barracks site, subject to continuing review of future educational need in Maidstone Borough and an ongoing assessment of other sites in and around the town centre with the scope to accommodate some or all of the educational need.

| MM23 | LPRSP5(B) | After Policy LPRSP5(B) insert new paragraph and Key Diagram as follows: <br> The indicative framework diagram below will be used to inform the preparation of the SPD for Invicta Barracks and detailed site masterplanning. | For plan effectiveness. |
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| MM24 | LPRSP5(C) | Amend Policy LPRSP5(C) to insert new criteria (11), (12) and (13) as follows: <br> 11. Development in Lenham and Lenham Heath that would result in a net increase in population served by a wastewater system will need to ensure that it will not have an adverse effect on the integrity of Stodmarsh SAC/SPA/Ramsar site. Where a proposed development falls within the Stour Catchment (e.g. Lenham, east of Faversham Road), or where sewage from a development will be treated at a Waste Water Treatment Works that discharges into the river Stour or its tributaries, then applicants will be required to demonstrate that the requirements set out in the advice letter and accompanying methodology on Nutrient Neutrality issued by Natural England have been met. This will enable the Council to ensure that the requirements of the Habitats Regulations are being met. | For plan effectiveness. |


|  |  | $\frac{\text { 12. The Neighbourhood Plan will preserve and enhance the character and appearance of the }}{\text { conservation area and protect the significance of listed buildings including their setting. }}$ |  |
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| MM25 | LPRSP6(A) | Downs. <br> Amend Policy LPRSP6(A) criterion (1) as follows: <br> In addition to minor development and redevelopment of appropriate sites in accordance with <br> policy LPRSP7, approximately 55 new dwellings will be delivered on site H1(59), and 100 new <br> dwellings will be delivered on LPRSA251, LPRSA312, and LPRSA364. | For plan <br> effectiveness. <br> Replace figure on page 75 (Coxheath Rural Service Centre) with new figure as follows: |



|  |  | 1) In addition to minor development and redevelopment of appropriate sites in accordance with policy LPRSP6, approximately 49 new dwellings will be delivered on site H1(33), and 100 new dwellings will be delivered on site LPRSA071 and LPRSA101. <br> 2) Two existing sites are designated as Economic Development Areas in order to maintain employment opportunities in the locality (policy LPRSP11a). <br> 3) Key infrastructure requirements for Harrietsham include: <br> a) Improvements to highway and transport infrastructure including improvements to the A20 Ashford Road, improvements to Church Road and the provision of additional pedestrian crossing points in accordance with individual site criteria set out in policies H1 (33), LPRSA071 and LPRSA101. <br> b) Provision of a one form entry expansion at either Lenham or Harrietsham primary schools; <br> c) Improvements to open space which improve overall quality, and address forecast deficits of in 0.4 Ha play, 4 Ha sports, 0.2 Ha allotment, and 12.4 Ha natural/semi-natural green space. <br> d) Improvements to health infrastructure including extension and/or improvements at Glebe Medical Centre. <br> 4) The loss of local shops, community facilities and green spaces will be resisted, and new retail development, community services and open space will be supported to meet local needs in accordance with policy LPRSP11(c). |  |
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| MM27 | LPRSP6(C) | Amend Policy LPRSP6(C) as follows: <br> At the rural service centre of Headcorn, as shown on the policies map, key services will be retained and supported. <br> 1. In addition to minor development and redevelopment of appropriate sites in accordance with policy LPRSP6, approximately 275 new dwellings will be delivered on three the remainder of allocated site $\mathrm{H} 1(36)$ and $\mathrm{H} 1(38)$, plus approximately 100110 new dwellings on LPRSA310. <br> 2. Two existing sites are designated as Economic Development Areas in order to maintain employment opportunities in the locality (policy LPRSP11a), and a further 3,500m2 employment floorspace is allocated (policy EMP1(1)). | For plan effectiveness. |


|  |  | 3. Key infrastructure requirements for Headcorn include: <br> a. Improvements to highway and transport infrastructure, including junction improvements, a variety of measures to improve sustainable transport infrastructure and improvements to pedestrian and cycle access, in accordance with individual site criteria set out in policies $\mathrm{H} 1(36)$, $\mathrm{H} 1(38)$ and LPRSA310 <br> b. Provision of a one form entry extension to Headcorn Primary School; <br> c. Improvements to open space which improve overall quality, and address forecast deficits of 1 Ha amenity, 1.1 Ha play, 7.7 Ha sports, 0.2 Ha allotment, and 30.2 Ha natural/semi-natural green space. <br> 4. Additional capacity will be required in the sewer network and at the wastewater treatment works if required in the period to 2031; and <br> 5. Improvements to health infrastructure including extension and/or improvements at Headcorn Surgery. <br> 6. The loss of local shops, community facilities and green spaces will be resisted, and new retail development, community services and open space will be supported to meet local needs in accordance with policy LPRSP11c. <br> 7. Development will only be permitted if it will not have an adverse effect on the River Beult SSSI and will support the conservation objectives of the River Beult action plan. <br> Replace figure on page 80 (Headcorn Rural Service Centre) with new figure as follows: |  |
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|  |  | Neighbourhood Plan which will deliver around 1,000 new dwellings. <br> 2) Two pitches are allocated for Gypsy and Traveller accommodation in accordance with policy GT1(8). <br> 3) Three existing sites are designated as Economic Development Areas in order to maintain employment opportunities in the locality (policy LPRSP11a). <br> 4) One new employment site allocation (LPRSA260) will deliver $2,500 \mathrm{~m} 2$ employment space. <br> 5) Key infrastructure requirements for Lenham include: <br> a) Improvements to highway and transport infrastructure including junction improvements, a variety of measures to improve sustainable transport infrastructure, and improvements to pedestrian access in accordance with individual site criteria set out in policies H 1 (41); <br> b) Provision of a one form entry expansion at either Lenham or Harrietsham primary schools; <br> c) Provision of 0.34 hectares of natural/semi-natural open space through Policy $\mathrm{H} 1(41)$ and additional open space as specified through the Neighbourhood Plan allocations. <br> d) Improvements to health infrastructure including extension and/or improvements at The Len Valley Practice. <br> e) Improvements to wastewater capacity to serve the Lenham broad location unless otherwise stated by the utility provider <br> e)6) The loss of local shops, community facilities and green spaces will be resisted, and new retail development, community services and open space will be supported to meet local needs in accordance with policy LPRSP11c. <br> 7) Development shall conform with the Lenham Neighbourhood Plan 2017-2031 and any successor modification document that is made. |  |
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| MM29 | LPRSP6(E) | Amend Policy LPRSP6(E) as follows: <br> At the rural service centre of Marden, as shown on the policies map, key services will be retained and supported. | For plan effectiveness. |




|  |  | allocated sites $\mathrm{H} 1(48)$ and $\mathrm{H} 1(49)$, plus to 60 on $\mathrm{H} 1(50)$,-and 127 on LPRSA066 and LPRSA114. <br> 2) Four pitches are allocated... <br> 3) One existing site is designated... <br> 4) Key infrastructure requirements for Staplehurst... <br> 5) Development will only be permitted if it will not have an adverse effect on the River Beult SSSI and will support the conservation objectives of the River Beult action plan. <br> Replace figure at page 86 (Staplehurst Rural Service Centre) with new figure as follows: |
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| MM32 | LPRSP7(A) | Amend Policy LPRSP7(A) as follows: <br> At the larger village of East Farleigh, key services will be retained and supported. <br> 1) In addition to minor development and redevelopment of appropriate sites in accordance with policy LPRSP7, approximately 50 new dwellings will be delivered. This is anticipated to come forward through the production of a Neighbourhood Plan, in the last 10 years of the plan period. Where it is apparent that the larger village is not set to meet the specific allocation of residential units, the borough council, through a future review of the Local Plan, will allocate sites to make up the shortfall. <br> 2) The loss of local shops, community facilities and green spaces will be resisted, and new retail development, community services and open space will be supported to meet local needs in accordance with policy LPRSP11a. | For plan effectiveness and to ensure the plan is positively prepared. |


| MM33 | LPRSP7(A) | After Policy LPRSP7(A) insert the following diagram: <br> Diagram illustrating the defined settlement boundary for East Farleigh. | For plan effectiveness. |
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| MM34 | LPRSP7(C) | Amend map on page 93 (Sutton Valence Larger Village) as follows: | For plan effectiveness and |


|  | Page 93 | The site area amended to reflect the policy and ensure provision of the health facility. | to ensure the plan is positively prepared. |
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| MM35 | LPRSP7(D) <br> Page 95 | Amend Policy LPRSP7(D) as follows: <br> 1) In addition to minor development and redevelopment of appropriate sites in accordance with policy LPRSP7, approximately 65100 new dwellings will be delivered on site H1(65), and | For plan effectiveness and to ensure the plan |




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| MM36 | LPRSP8 | Amend Policy LPRSP8 as follows: <br> Within smaller settlements: <br> 1. Within the Smaller Villages of Boughton Monchelsea, Boxley, Chart Sutton, Detling, Grafty Green, Hunton, Kingswood, Laddingford, Platt's Heath, Stockbury, Teston, and Ulcombe, the Council will resist the loss of local shops, community facilities and green spaces, whilst supporting new retail development, community services and green spaces to meet local need. <br> 2. Smaller villages offer a limited opportunity for new plan-led development which can support the continued sustainability of the settlement. This is estimated expected to come forwards through site allocation LPRSA360 (approximately 30 dwellings) and as a broad location development, in the last 10 years of the Plan period. The quantities envisaged are: <br> - 35 new units each at Chart Sutton, Ulcombe, Laddingford, Kingswood, and Teston <br> - 25 new units each at Boxley, Ghart Sutton, Detling, Grafty Green, Hunton, Platt's Heath, and Stockbury and Ulcombe <br> 3. Within the Smaller Villages, small scale housing development in addition to the quantities set out under criterion (2) will be acceptable where all of the following apply: <br> a) The scale of the development is proportionate to the size of the settlement and the type and level of local services available; <br> b) The development design takes account of landscape impact having regard to the setting of the settlement within the countryside; <br> c) It can be linked to the retention or expansion of specific infrastructure or service assets within the settlement; <br> d) It has community support, either through a Neighbourhood Plan, or other Parish endorsement, for example as a Rural Exception Site; and <br> e) Where suitable access can be provided. | For plan effectiveness and to ensure the plan is positively prepared. |


|  |  | 4. e) Where it is apparent that smaller villages are not set to meet the specific allocation of residential units, the borough council, through a future review of the Local Plan, will allocate sites to make up the shortfall. |  |
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| MM37 | Para 6.137 | Amend paragraph 6.137 as follows: <br> The High Weald AONB lies beyond the southern boundary of the borough adjacent to the parishes of Marden and Staplehurst, within the administrative area of Tunbridge Wells Borough council. Its closest point to the borough is at Winchet Hill in the southern part of Marden parish. The council has exactly the same statutory duty to conserve and enhance the setting of this AONB as it does with the Kent Downs AONB and will apply the same policy considerations for any proposals that may affect its setting. In assessing the impact of proposals on the High Weald AONB regard will be had to the High Weald AONB Management Plan and its supporting evidence and guidance. | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM38 | LPRSP9 | Amend Policy LPRSP9 as follows: <br> 1) Development proposals in the countryside will not be permitted unless they accord with other policies in this plan and they will not result in significant harm to the rural character and appearance of the area. <br> 2) Agricultural proposals will be supported which facilitate the efficient use of the borough's significant agricultural land and soil resource provided any adverse impacts on the appearance and rural character of the landscape can be appropriately mitigated. <br> 3) Great weight should be given to the conservation and enhancement of the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. <br> 4) Proposals should not have a significant adverse impact on the settings of the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty or the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. <br> 5) The Metropolitan Green Belt is shown on the policies map and development there will be managed in accordance with national policy for the Green Belt. <br> 6) The distinctive landscape character of the Greens and Ridge, the Medway Valley, the Len Valley, the Loose Valley, and the Low Weald, as defined on the policies map, will be conserved and enhanced as landscapes of local value. <br> 7) Development in the countryside will retain the separation of individual settlements. <br> 8) Opportunities to improve walking and cycling connections will be supported. <br> Account should be taken of the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Management | For plan effectiveness. |


|  | Plan and the Maidstone Borough Landscape Character Guidelines Supplementary Planning <br> Document. |  |
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Chapter 7: Thematic strategic policies

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| MM39 | LPRSP10 | After paragraph 7.2, insert a new policy SP10 titled 'Housing delivery' as follows: <br> 1. Over the plan period 2021 to 2038 , provision will be made for the development of a minimum of 19,669 new homes in the borough. <br> Stepped trajectory <br> 2. To ensure a plan-led approach to development, the annual level of growth is to occur over a series of steps, aligned to the expected timing of delivery of new homes. This stepped trajectory is as follows: <br> 3. Appendix 1 of this Plan shows the trajectory for delivering new homes over the plan period, including the breakdown of supply by aggregated source. This is a snapshot in time and delivery progress will be monitored annually through the Authority's Monitoring Report. <br> Deliverable supply <br> 4. To help ensure the continued delivery of new homes, a rolling supply of deliverable sites is to be maintained in order to meet the total housing requirement (plus appropriate buffer moved | For plan effectiveness and consistency with the NPPF. |




|  |  |  <br> Kingswood <br> Coxheath <br> Harrietsham <br> Headcorn <br> Lenham <br> Loose <br> Marden <br> North Loose <br> Otham <br> Staplehurst <br>  <br> Sutton Valence <br> Tovil <br> Yalding <br> TOTAL <br> ${ }^{\text {* }}$ Only part of th The number of **These site al of homes inclu already deliver |  <br> ite allocation is within the D its has therefore been appor ations are 'saved' from the 2 in the allocation; however, new homes. |  | 35 <br> 100 <br> 100 <br> 330 <br> 1,047 <br> 15 <br> 237 <br> 0 <br> 813 <br> 777 <br> 100 <br> 250 <br> 100 <br> 4,192 <br> nurhoo <br> cative <br> show <br> cons |  |
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| MM40 | LPRSP10( <br> A) | Amend Policy L | SP10(A) criterion (4) as follow |  |  | For plan effectiveness, |


|  |  | Large development schemes Major developments will be expected to demonstrate that consideration has been given to serviced custom and self-build plots as part of housing mix in line with Policy HOU 9. | consistency with the NPPF, and the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015. |
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| MM41 | Para 7.7 | Amend paragraph 7.7 as follows: <br> Viability testing has concluded that the-identified a low value zone, which encompasses the town centre and some of the inner urban area, which is often unable to viably deliver affordable housing. | Clarification to accurately reflect the evidence base - to ensure a justified plan. |
| MM42 | LPRSP10( <br> B) | Amend LPRSP10(B) as follows: <br> On major housing development sites or mixed-use development sites where 10 or more dwellings will be provided, or the site has an area of 0.5 hectares or more, the Council will require the delivery of affordable housing. <br> 1) The target rates for affordable housing provision within the following geographical areas, as defined on the policies map, are: <br> a) Greenfield development in mid and high value zones at $40 \%$ <br> b) Brownfield development in high value zone at $40 \%$. <br> c) Development in the low value zone and brownfield development in the mid value zone will not normally be expected to deliver affordable housing, however where opportunities exist to provide affordable housing the council will seek to secure this. be expected to deliver an element of on-site affordable housing. If it can be demonstrated through an open book financial appraisal this is not viable, based on the construction costs based on delivering high quality design and public realm, then the developer shall make a proportionate off-site contribution to the delivery of affordable housing. Evidence of engagement with affordable housing funders and providers, including the council and Homes England as appropriate, should be submitted with the financial appraisal. <br> 2) Affordable housing provision should be appropriately integrated within the site. In exceptional circumstances, and where proven to be necessary, off-site provision will be sought in the following order of preference: | For plan effectiveness and consistency with the NPPF. <br> Flexibility to allow for a range of affordable home ownership options during the plan period. <br> Amendments to ensure policy aligns with other Main Modifications on housing technical standards. |



| MM43 | Para 7.37 | Amend paragraph 7.37 as follows: <br> The former Syngenta Works site in Yalding is an allocation targoly carried over from the Local <br> Plan 2017,-although it is now proposed for a mix of omployment uses only. | For plan <br> effectiveness, and <br> to appropriately <br> reflect the relevant <br> site allocation <br> policy in the Local <br> Plan Review. |
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| MM44 | LPRSP11( <br> A) | Amend Policy LPRSP11(A) criterion (3) as follows: <br> Proposals for the redevelopment of premises and the infilling of vacant sites for business uses* <br> will be permitted. Where such proposals are within countryside EDA locations, their design, <br> scale and materials should be appropriate to the setting and should be accompanied by <br> significant landscaping within, and at the edge of, the development. <br> *For those EDAs listed under part 1 of Table 11.1, the term 'business uses' includes Use | For plan <br> effectiveness and <br> to ensure the plan <br> is positively |
| prepared. |  |  |  |


|  |  | attached to the outline permission and should deliver over the next couple of years. As such, this site will be kept under review as the Local Plan Review progresses. At this stage, it remains important to continue to set out allocation specific detail regarding the development of the Woodcut Farm site, should the current permission fail to doliver or a now application were to come in. <br> 7.62 The site will is expected to provide at least $10,000 \mathrm{~m} 2$ of office floorspace, thereby contributing significantly towards the evidenced need for $24,600 \mathrm{~m} 2$ of this type of floorspace by the end of the plan period. High quality office development is sought providing complementary provision to the town centre. As the viability of office development may be challenging in the shorter term, land will be safeguarded specifically for $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{g})$ uses, and for no other purpose, pending the viability position improving in the later part of the plan period. This approach will help ensure that the site delivers a genuine mixed $B$ class use business park, which is what is required, rather than a logistics park or conventional industrial estate. Industrial (B2) and distribution (B8) uses are nonetheless appropriate as part of the mix of uses on the site and, in addition to the office requirement, the allocation will help deliver the additional floorspace which is required in the borough by 20378 . <br> 7.63 At this stage, it remains important to continue to set out allocation specific detail regarding the development of the Woodcut Farm site, should the current permission fail to deliver or a new application were to come in. The 2017 Local Plan detailed allocation policy EMP1(4) is therefore rolled forwards into this Local Plan Review and should be referred to during the application process. <br> 7.61 The site, which is some 25.8ha in total, is situated to the west of the A20/M20 junction (junction 8). It comprises the wedge of land lying between the M20 to the north east and the A20 to the south west. The site is agricultural land, divided into fields by hedgerows which predominately run in a north-south direction. The site is also bisected north south by a watercourse which eventually runs into the River LentothesouthoftheA20. The land is undulating, the ground rising up from either side of the watercourse. To the south the site borders a number of dispersed properties which front onto the A20 (Ashford Road). To the south east the site is bounded by Musket Lane. To the north west lies Crismill Lane and a substantial tree belt which fronts onto this lane. The site boundary then follows the hedge belt which adjoins Crismill Lane approximately halfway down its length and links to the complex of buildings at Woodout Farm and turns south to the A20, running along the eastern boundary of the fields which front onto the Woodcut Farm access. <br> 7.62 The site is located in the countryside and lies within the setting of the nationally designated Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The site falls within the |  |
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White Heath Farmlands landscape character sub-area where landscape condition is poor overall, partially because of the fragmentation caused by the existing highway infrastructure. Landscape sensitivity for the character sub-area is recorded as moderate, the landscape providing the setting of the Kent Downs (AONB)
7.63 The site itself was specifically assessed in the Maidstone Landscape-Gapacity Study $(2015)$. This found that the site has a high degree of sensitivity in landscape terms and an accordingly low capacity to accommodate now omployment-related dovelopment. This being the case, any future development proposals must be planned with very careful attention to the site's visual and physical relationship with the AONB, responding to the site's topography and natural landscape features in terms of the scale, design, siting, use, orientation, levels and lighting of buildings and associated development, alongside infrastructure and landscaping requirements.
7.64 To achieve a high-quality scheme in this prime location, a campus style development will be delivered in a parkland setting. This will be created through the retention and enhancement of existing tree and hedge belts, including those subject to Tree Preservation Orders no. 19 of 2007 and no. 17 of 2007 , and substantial additional structural landscaping within the site in the form of shaws and woodland blocks. This should include the retention and reinforcement of the streamside vegetation. Landscape buffers will also be established along the principal site boundaries, including to help provide a setting to the Grade II listed Woodcut Farmhouse and to help secure the residential amenity of nearby residential properties.
7.65 Buildings will cover no more than $40 \%$ of the site. This figure excludes the westernmost field, of some 9 ha in area, which is reserved as an undeveloped area to include an onhanced landscape buffer to establish a clear and strong boundary betweon the development and the wider countryside to the east of Bearsted. This area should be managed and structured as open woodland with associated biodiversity benefits and the potential to establish woodland pasture in the future.
7.66 The flatter area of the site, to the east of the stream, is better able to accommodate larger footprint buildings up to $5,000 \mathrm{~m} 2$ with heights restricted to a maximum of 12 m . To the west of the stream the land rises and is suited to smaller footprint buildings of up to $2,500 \mathrm{~m} 2$ and up to 8 m in height. The siting, scale and detailed design of development within this area must also have particular regard to the setting of Woodcut Farmhouse (Grade II listed). On the highest part of the site, as shown on the policies map, building footprints will be limited to $500 \mathrm{m2}$.
7.67 There are archaoological romains in the immodiate vicinity of the site, including an Anglo-Saxon burial site. Measures appropriate to the actual archaoological value of the site, revealed by further survey as needed, will be addressed. There are no statutory or non-statutory

|  |  | sites of nature conservation importance within the site and the County Ecologist advises that the potential for impacts on designated sites is limited. As is normal practice for a proposal of this nature, an ecological scoping study will be required to establish the presence of, and potential for, any impacts on protected specios <br> 7.68 Vehicular access to the site will be taken from the A20 Ashford Road and a Transport Assessment will identify the scope of improvements required to the junctions (and associated approaches) at: <br> $\because \quad$ the M20 Junction 8 (including the west-bound on-slip and merge); the A20 Ashford <br> Rd/M20 link road roundabout; <br> - the A20 Ashford Rd/Penford Hill junction; <br> - the A20 Ashford Rd/Eyhorne Street/Great Danes Hotel access; and the Willington <br> Street/A20 <br> - Ashford Rd junction. <br> 7.69 The site is located on a bus route (A20) but without significant additional dedicated measures it is highly likely that workers and visitors travelling to and from the site will be highly reliant on their private cars. A Travel Plan will be required to demonstrate how development will deliver significantly improved access by sustainable modes, in particular by public transport but this could also include cycling, walking and car share initiatives. |  |
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| MM46 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Paras } 7.70 \\ & \text { to } 7.73 \end{aligned}$ | Amend paragraphs 7.70 to 7.73 as follows: <br> Former Syngenta Works, Hampstead Lane, Yalding LPRSAEMP1 RMX1(4) <br> 7.70 The former Syngenta Works site near Yalding is a large, flat, previously developed or 'brownfield' site (19.5ha) about one kilometerres to the west of Yalding village and adjacent to Yalding Railway Station. Immediately to the east of the site is a canalised section of the River Medway. The site was previously used for agro-chemicals production and was decommissioned in 2002/2003. The site has been cleared of buildings, apart from an office building at the site entrance, and the land has been remediated to address the contamination resulting from its previous use. Permission was granted in March 2020 for external works to the office building in the northwest corner and a new car park. <br> 7.71 The whole site lies within Flood Zone 3a and any proposal must therefore fulfil the NPPF's Sequential and Exception Tests. The aim of the Sequential Test method set out in the NPPF is to steer new development to areas with the lowest probability of flooding. If, following application of the Sequential Test, it is not possible for the development to be located in areas with a lower probability of flooding, the Exception Test can be applied. Crucial to any redevelopment of this | For plan effectiveness. Factual updates with respect to the existing planning consent and plan process. For consistency with the NPPF on flood risk management. |



| MM47 | Para 7.75 | Amend paragraph 7.75 as follows: <br> The King Street car park is currently a surface level car park, being used as such for the short term. Part of the original allocation from the 2017 Local Plan has been developed as the King's Lodge, apartments for retirement living. As the detailed site allocation (policy RMX1 (3)) from the 2017 Local Plan has only partially been implemented, it is to be retained as part of this Local Plan Review (see Table 8.1). As such, the remaining car park continues to be allocated for a mix of ground floor retail and residential uses, however a more conservative retail capacity of 700 sqm is now allocated to reflect the development that has already taken place. This area could be brought forwards in conjunction with the wider redevelopment of The Mall broad location proposed for the longer term. This would enable a comprehensive approach to development on both sides of King Street at this gateway location to the town centre. | For plan effectiveness. Factual updates with respect to the existing planning consent and plan process. |
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| MM48 | LPRSP11( <br> B) | Amend Policy LPRSP11(B) as follows: <br> Allocated sites - employment <br> 1. The sites allocated under policies LPREMP1(1), LPREMP1(2), LPREMP1(4), LPRSAEmp1RMX1(4), and LPRSA260 will deliver approximately 105,000m2 employment floorspace to help meet employment needs during the plan period. Development will be permitted provided the criteria for each site set out in the detailed site allocation policies are met. <br> Allocated sites - mixed use <br> 2. The sites allocated under policies LPRRMX1(1), LPRRMX1(3), LPRSA066, LPRSA078, LPRSA144, LPRSA145, LPRSA146, LPRSA147, LPRSA148, LPRSA149, and LPRSA151, and LPRSA362 will deliver a mix of approximately $27,43934,239 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ employment floorspace and $6,8627,562 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ net retail floorspace, along with new homes to help meet the borough's needs over the plan period. Development will be permitted provided the criteria for each site set out in the detailed site allocation policies are met. | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM49 | LPRSP11( <br> B) <br> Table page 128 | Amend table on page 128 as follows: | For plan effectiveness. |


|  | Site Ref | Site Name | Growth Location | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{E}(\mathrm{~g}) \\ & \text { office } \\ & \mathrm{m}^{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{B2} \\ \text { industrial } \\ \mathrm{m}^{2} \end{gathered}$ |  | Town centre uses $\mathrm{m}^{2}$ |
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|  | LPRRMX1 <br> (3) | King Street Car Park | Maidstone Town Centre | - | - | - | $\begin{array}{r} 700 \\ 1,400 \end{array}$ |
|  | LPRSA145 | Len House | Maidstone Town Centre | - | - | - | 3,612 |
|  | LPRSA147 | Gala Bingo \& Granada House | Maidstone Town Centre | - | - | - | TBD |
|  | LPRSA148 | Maidstone Riverside | Maidstone Town Centre | - | - | - | TBD |
|  | LPRSA149 | Maidstone West | Maidstone Town Centre | - | - | - | TBD |
|  | LPRSA151 | Mote Road | Maidstone Town Centre | 1,169 | - | - | - |
|  | LPRSA144 | High St/ Medway St | Maidstone Town Centre |  | - | - | 150 |
|  | LPRSA146 | Maidstone East | Maidstone Town Centre | 5,000 | - | - | 2,000 |
|  | LPRRMX1 <br> (1) | Newnham Park (Kent Medical Campus) | Maidstone Urban Area | 21,270 |  |  | 14,300 |
|  | LPREMP1 | Woodcut Farm | Maidstone Urban <br> Area |  | 49,000 |  | - |
|  | LPRSA362 | Police HQ, <br> Sutton Road | Maidstone Urban Area | 5,800 | - | - | - |
|  | EMP1(1) | West of Barradale Farm | Headcorn |  | 3,500 |  | - |
|  | EMP1(2) | South of | Marden |  | 4,000 |  | - |



|  |  | - Upgrading of Bearsted Road to a dual carriageway between Bearsted roundabout and New Cut roundabout. <br> - Interim improvement to M20 junction 5 roundabouts including a white lining scheme. <br> - Traffic signalisation of M20 junction 5 roundabout and localised widening of slip roads and-circulatory carriagoway. <br> - Capacity improvements at the junction of Fountain Lane and the A26 Tonbridge Road. <br> - Bus prioritisation measures including seeking to make use of smart technology on the A274 Sutton Road from the Willington Street junction to the Wheatsheaf junction, together with bus infrastructure improvements. <br> - Improvements to capacity at the junctions of Willington Street/Wallis Avenue and Sutton Road including bus transponders, for example. <br> - Highway improvements at Boughton Lane and at the junction of Boughton Lane and the A229 Loose Road. <br> - Linton Crossroads junction improvements. <br> - Capacity improvements at the junction of A229, Headcorn Road, Station Road and Marden Road at Staplehurst. <br> - Capacity improvements at Hampstead Lane/B2015 Maidstone Road junction at Yalding. <br> - A20 Coldharbour roundabout, A229/A274 Wheatsheaf junction and A20 Ashford Road/Willington Street junction improvements |  |
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| MM52 | Para 7.83 | After paragraph 7.83 insert new paragraph as follows: <br> Cumulative impacts - Vision and Validate / Monitor and Manage is similarly valid for sites that may result in cumulative impacts in combination with others. In this event, site promotors will be expected to assess their site-specific impacts with backstop mitigation measures (see point ii) defined, costed and trigger points assessed. If following monitoring, site-specific mitigation requirements are triggered, the contribution will be pooled by the Authorities to deliver holistic schemes assessed and included within the Local Plan Review IDP. | For plan effectiveness and to ensure consistency with NPPF and Department for Transport Circular 01/22. |
| MM53 | $\text { Para } 7.87$ $\text { to } 7.89$ | Delete paragraph 7.87, sub-heading 'Park and ride' and paragraphs 7.88 to 7.89, as follows: <br> 7.87 The ITS will soek to address parking issues by producing a refreshed Town Contre Parking Strategy. A key aspect of this strategy will be the use of measures to provide disincentives to the use of long-term car parking in the town centre whilst prioritising shoppers and visitors; by utilising long-stay town contre parking tariffs to encourage a shift to sustainable modes of | To align with other Main Modifications with respect to park and ride - see LPRTRA3. |


|  |  | transport such as Park and Ride and reviewing the Residents' Parking Zones to ensure they are fair, simple and meet the needs of all road users. <br> Park and ride <br> 7.88 The council has been operating Park and Ride services in Maidstone since the early 1980s and was one of the first local authorities in the UK to introduce the concept. The service aims to address the growing peak time congestion in the town centre and has met with varying levels of success to date. Two sites are currontly in operation at London Road and Willington Street, following the closure of the Sittingbourne Road site in February 2016, which in total comprise some 918 parking spaces. <br> 7.89 The council will continue to review and improve the functionality and effectiveness of Park and Ride services in Maidstone, including through the investigation of whether additional sites may be available and deliverable to contribute towards wider objectives for sustainable transport and air quality. |  |
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| MM54 | LPRSP12 | Amend Policy LPRSP12 as follows: <br> 1. Working in partnership with Kent County Council (the local highway authority), Highways England, infrastructure providers and public transport operators, the Borough Council will manage any negotiations and agreements regarding schemes for mitigating the impact of development where appropriate on the local and strategic road networks and facilitate the delivery of transport improvements to support the growth proposed by the Local Plan. Scheme promoters will be expected to adopt Vision and Validate principles, in accordance with Circular 01/22, within their planning applications and to set out a Monitor and Manage strategy for each site covering all modes of transport. <br> 2. The Integrated Transport Strategy (2017) will be refreshed in the context of the Local Plan Review with the aim of facilitating economic prosperity and improving accessibility across the borough and to Maidstone town centre, in order to promote the town as a regionally important transport hub. <br> 3. In doing so, the council and its partners will: <br> a. Ensure the transport system supports the growth projected by Maidstone's Local Plan and facilitates economic prosperity; | For plan effectiveness. To ensure consistency with NPPF and the new Department for Transport Circular 01/22. |

b. Deliver modal shift through managing demand on the transport network through enhanced public transport and the continued Park and Ride services and walking and cycling improvements;
c. Improve highway network capacity and function at key locations and junctions across the borough;
d. Manage parking provision in the town centre and the wider borough to ensure it is fair and proportionate and supports demand management;
e. Improve transport choice across the borough and seek to influence travel behaviour;
f. Protect and enhance public rights of way;
g. Deliver strategic and public transport links to and from Maidstone, including increased bus service frequency along the radial routes into the town centre and its railway stations, particularly in the morning and evening peak travel times;
h. Work with landowners and public transport operators to secure the provision of a new bus interchange facility that is more accessible, user-friendly and fit for purpose;
i. Work with service providers to improve bus links to the rural service centres and larger villages, and other villages including route options and frequency;
j. Improve strategic links to Maidstone across the county and to wider destinations such as London;
k. Promote inclusive access for all users on the transport network provides;
I. Address the air quality impact of transport; and
m . Support the provision of and improvements to Electric Vehicle charging infrastructure
4. Within the bus and hackney carriage corridors, as defined on the policies map, the council and the highway authority will develop preference measures to improve journey times and reliability and make public transport more attractive, particularly on park and ride routes, the radial routes into the town centre and in connecting the Garden Settlements. Such measures will include:
a. Bus priority measures along radial routes including bus prioritisation at junctions;
b. Prioritisation of sustainable transport modes along radial routes; and/or
c. Enhanced waiting and access facilities and information systems for passengers, including people with disabilities.
5. The Infrastructure Delivery Plan will support the implementation of the Local Plan Review and outlines how and when necessary infrastructure schemes will be delivered.

|  |  | 6. In determining planning applications, regard shall be had to the Kent Rights of Way Improvement Plan, and the need to protect and enhance existing public rights of way. |  |
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| MM55 | LPRSP13 | After 7.133 insert a new sub-heading and paragraph as follows: <br> An underlying principle of the plan has been the delivery of infrastructure alongside development as per the Council's corporate strategy. One such project is the Leeds Langley Relief Road. The Council has investigated the business case for a relief road at Leeds Langley and it has concluded that such a road is possible with enabling development. The Local Highways Authority (Kent County Council) has confirmed that whilst it will not currently be seeking to promote a route in this corridor, it would assist Maidstone Borough Council in exploring it. | For plan effectiveness |
| MM56 | LPRSP13 | Amend Policy LPRSP13 as follows: <br> 1. Where development creates a requirement for new or improved infrastructure beyond existing provision, developers will be expected to provide or contribute towards the additional requirement being provided to an agreed delivery programme. In certain circumstances where proven necessary, the council may require that infrastructure is delivered ahead of the development being occupied. <br> 2. Detailed specifications of the site specific contributions required are included in the site allocation policies (these are not exhaustive lists). Development proposals should seek to make provision for all the land required to accommodate any additional infrastructure arising from that development. Dedicated Planning Agreements (S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act,1990) will be used to provide a range of site specific mitigation, in accordance with the S106 tests, which will normally be provided on-site but may where appropriate be provided in an offsite location or via an in-lieu financial contribution. In some cases, separate agreements with utility providers may be required. Where necessary S. 278 agreements will be used to secure mitigation in connection with the Strategic Road Network and Local Road Network. <br> 3. Where developers consider that providing or contributing towards the infrastructure requirement would have serious implications for the viability of a development, the council will require an "open book" approach and, where necessary, will operate the policy flexibly. <br> 4. Where there are competing demands for contributions towards the delivery of infrastructure, secured through section 106 legal agreements, the council will prioritise these demands in the manner listed below: | For plan effectiveness. |



| MM57 | Para 7.153 | Amend paragraph 7.153 as follows: <br> The Stodmarsh SAC/SPA/Ramsar site is sensitive to increases in nitrogen and phosphorous arising from the River Stour. Natural England has agreed a mitigation strategy that requires developments that would result in a net increase in population served by a wastewater system within the Stour catchment area to demonstrate that they will not result in a net increase in nitrogen and phosphorous at the Stodmarsh SAC/SPA/Ramsar site. Developments in and around Lenham, including Heathlands Garden Settlement and the Lenham Broad Location for growth, will be required to meet the requirements of the mitigation/offsetting strategy, as set out in Natural England's advice note on Nutrient Neutrality issued in November 2020, or any updates to that advice. | For plan effectiveness and consistency with the NPPF, NPPG and Natural England guidance. |
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| MM58 | LPRSP14( <br> A) | After paragraph 7.149 insert a new paragraph as follows: <br> The Local Plan Review makes provision for a new garden community at Lidsing, where the impact of new development on the integrity of the North Downs Woodlands SAC requires careful consideration. Provided that the air pollution mitigation specified by Policy LPRSP4(B) is delivered then adverse effects on the SAC due to air quality from the plan as a whole, alone or in-combination, can be ruled out. In the event that the Lidsing garden community is not delivered, the Council will agree a proposed approach with Natural England, and no further development contributing to an increase in traffic to roads within 200m of the SAC (A229, A249 or Boxley Road) will be permitted until mitigation has been agreed, unless applicants can demonstrate that they will not have an adverse effect on the integrity of the SAC, alone or in-combination. <br> Amend Policy LPRSP14(A) as follows: <br> 1. To enable Maidstone Borough to retain a high quality of living, protect and enhance the environment, and to be able to respond to the effects of climate change, developers will ensure that new development incorporates measures where appropriate to: <br> a. Deliver a minimum $20 \%$ on site Biodiversity Net Gain on new residential development, having regard to Biodiversity Opportunity Areas and/or Nature Recovery Networks. Biodiversity Net Gain should be calculated in accordance with the latest Natural England/DEFRA biodiversity metric or equivalent <br> b. Protect positive landscape character including Landscapes of Local Value, areas of Ancient Woodland, veteran trees, trees with significant amenity value, important | For plan effectiveness and to ensure the plan is justified and consistent with national planning policy and guidance. |

hedgerows, features of biological or geological interest, ecosystem services and the existing public rights of way network from inappropriate development, and avoid significant adverse impacts as a result of development through the provision of adequate buffers and in accordance with national guidance.
c. Avoid damage to and inappropriate development considered likely to have significant direct or indirect adverse effects on:
i. Internationally, nationally and locally designated sites of importance for biodiversity (either within or beyond the borough); and
ii. Local Biodiversity Action Plan Priority habitats
d. If significant harm to habitats and biodiversity cannot be avoided, then the mitigation hierarchy should be followed.
i. Internationally, nationally and locally designated sites of importance for biodiversity (either within or beyond the borough); and
ii. Local Biodiversity Action Plan Priority habitats

Regard shall be had to the forthcoming Design and Sustainability DPD which will further detail application of this policy.
2. Control pollution to protect ground and surface waters where necessary and mitigate against the deterioration of water bodies and adverse impacts on Groundwater Source Protection Zones and principal aquifers, and incorporate measures to improve the ecological status of water bodies as appropriate; Major developments will not be permitted unless they can demonstrate that new or existing water supply, sewage and wastewater treatment facilities can accommodate the new development. Wastewater treatment and supply infrastructure must be fit for purpose and meet all requirements of both the permitting regulations and the Habitats Regulations (for example in relation to nutrient neutrality at the Stodmarsh SAC/SPA/Ramsar site).
3. Enhance, extend and connect habitats to enhance the borough's network of sites that incorporates designated sites of importance for biodiversity, priority habitats, Local Wildlife Sites and fragmented Ancient Woodland; support opportunities for the creation of new Biodiversity Action Plan priority habitats; create, enhance, restore and connect other habitats, including links to habitats outside Maidstone Borough, where opportunities arise;
a. Provide for the long term...
b. Mitigate for and adapt to...

|  |  | c. Positively contribute... <br> 4. Where appropriate... <br> 5. Any required publicly accessible... <br> 6. Development proposals will give... <br> 7. The Council will work with Natural England to assess, monitor and if necessary mitigate any recreation pressure or air pollution effects at North Downs Woodland SAC. Any air pollution mitigation strategy will be developed and agreed with Natural England before the Local Plan is adopted and implemented prior to adverse effects on integrity occurring; developer contributions would be used to support this. <br> 7(A). Development proposals must support the Council's nature conservation objectives and in doing so must not result in adverse effects on the integrity of the North Downs Woodland SAC. Any air pollution mitigation strategy will be developed and agreed with Natural England before the development commences and implemented prior to adverse effects on integrity occurring; developer contributions will be used to support this where appropriate. The Council is committed to ensuring that development within the borough will not contribute to adverse effects on the SAC due to air quality and will take the lead on coordinating any strategic mitigation required to minimise air pollution at the SAC. <br> 8. Any development within... <br> 9. The council will work in partnership with landowners, land managers and developers to encourage better soil handling practices to avoid the degradation of soil and ensure soil functions are maintained as appropriate. <br> 10. New development involving the creation of surface water runoff will be required to provide SuDS. Where possible, such SuDS will need to integrate with on-site blue-green infrastructure in order to increase biodiversity. |  |
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| MM59 | LPRSP14( <br> B) | Amend Policy LPRSP14(B) criterion (2) as follows: <br> Through the development management process, securing the sensitive management and design of development which impacts on heritage assets and their settings and positively incorporates | For plan effectiveness. |


|  |  | heritage assets into wider development proposals. This includes the potential public benefits from development impacting a heritage asset. |  |
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| MM60 | LPRSP14( <br> C) | Amend Policy LPRSP14(C) as follows: <br> To ensure that development in the borough mitigates and adapts to climate change, the council will: <br> 1. Adopt a strategy for growth which delivers development in sustainable locations, well supported by or capable of delivering better services and public transport which will minimise the need to travel. <br> 2. Encourage the delivery of sustainable buildings and a reduction of CO 2 emissions in new development, having regard to the Kent and Medway Energy and Low Emissions Strategy. <br> 3. Encourage and support the delivery of low carbon energy and low carbon heat networks in new developments. <br> 4. Support the provision of renewable energy infrastructure within new development. <br> 5. Require the integration of blue-green infrastructure into qualifying major new development in order to mitigate urban heat islands, enhance urban biodiversity, and to contribute to reduced surface water run off through the provision of SuDS. <br> 6. Require development involving the creation of new dwellings, retail, and/or employment space to encourage a shift towards sustainable travel through: <br> a. prioritising active travel by ensuring good provision and connectivity of walking and cycling routes; <br> b. ensuring public transport accessibility and; <br> c. through the provision of electric vehicle infrastructure. <br> 7. Require high levels of water efficiency in new residential development to ensure that water consumption should not exceod 1101 per person per day. New dwellings should be built to ensure that wholesome water consumption is not greater than 110 litres/person/day. | For plan effectiveness, justified by proportionate evidence. |


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8. Require new development involving the creation of new dwellings, retail floorspace and/or employment floorspace to plan for and respond to the impacts of climate change.
9. Require new development to include a Flood Risk Assessment where the site is located within Flood Zones 2 or 3, or is over 1 hectare in size.
10. Development must have regard to surface water management plans.

Chapter 8: Detailed site allocation policies

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| MM61 | All site <br> allocation <br> policies | Amend all site allocation policies as follows: <br> In the policy introductory text, delete "is included as a draft allocation for..." and replace with <br> "as identified on the policies map, is allocated for...". | For plan <br> effectiveness and to <br> ensure the plan is <br> positively prepared. |
| MM62 | Table 8.1 | Amend Table 8.1 as follows: | For plan <br> effectiveness to <br> ensure the plan is <br> positively prepared. |



| MM63 | Table 8.2 | Amend Table 8.2 as follows: <br> LPRSA078 (Haven Farm): Swap the figures 400 and 1,500 over. 400 sqm relates to 'village <br> hub' shops, and 1,500 sqm relates to proposed GP surgery. <br> LPRSA147 (Gala Bingo \& Granada House): Remove reference to $500 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ retail use. Replace <br> with 'TBD'. <br> LPRSA148 (Maidstone Riverside): Remove reference to $5,148 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of retail use and $2,574 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ <br> employment. Replace with 'TBD'. <br> LPRSA149 (Maidstone West): Remove reference to $517 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of retail use and $1,034 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ <br> employment. Replace with 'TBD'. <br> effectiveness to <br> ensure the plan is <br> positively prepared. |  |
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| MM64 | LPRSA078 | Amend Policy LPRSA078 under Principles subheading $4^{\text {th }}$ bullet, $1^{\text {st }}$ sub-bullet as follows: <br> The approximate land use balance is: <br> 110100 dwellings across the two sites (including 5 self/custom build plots and $40 \%$ affordable housing) <br> After Policy LPRSA078 Insert Key Diagram illustrating net developable area, as follows: | For plan effectiveness to ensure the plan is positively prepared. |


| MM65 | LPRSA078 <br> Page 93 <br> Policies <br> Map | On page 93 figure (Sutton Valence Larger Village), amend boundary of site allocation LPRSA078 as follows: | For plan effectiveness. |
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| MM66 | LPRSA146 | Amend Policy LPRSA146 1st paragraph as follows: | For plan effectiveness. |


|  |  | Maidstone East is included as a draft allocation for the development of a minimum of approximately 500 dwellings, $2,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ new retail, $5,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ business and other appropriate town centre uses such as a medical facility. The following conditions are considered appropriate to be met before development is permitted. |  |
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| MM67 | LPRSA146 | Amend Policy LPRSA146 under Design, Layout \& Heritage sub-heading as follows: <br> The site shall be the subject of a comprehensive masterplan which has regard to its adjacency to the railway station and civic quarter, as well as the adjacent retail frontages. Should the site be delivered in one or more phases, the Council will ensure that the overall capacity and requirements of the policy are met, and the <br> planning and design principles set out in the policy remain able to be consistently applied across the site. <br> The development shall incorporate commutercar parking to serve Maidstone East station... <br> Amend Policy LPRSA146 under Access/Highways and transportation sub-heading as follows: <br> ... If a car free or reduced level of parking is proposed, proportionate and directly related contributions will be required... <br> "It is envisaged that highway access to the residential development shall be taken from Sandling Road. An additional, in-bound only access to the former Sorting Office part of the site could be taken from Fairmeadow, subject to any impact upon the wider public realm strategy." | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM68 | LPRSA148 | Amend Policy LPRSA148 $1^{\text {st }}$ paragraph as follows: <br> Maidstone Riverside is included as a draft an allocation for the development of approximately 650 dwellings, $5,148 \mathrm{~m} 2$ of retail use and $2,574 \mathrm{~m} 2$ employment. and a suitable mix of employment, retail and town centre uses. As the Town Centre Strategy progresses, the Council will liaise with landowners to prepare further detail on expectations. Should the site be delivered in one or more phases, the Council will ensure that the overall capacity and requirements of the policy are met, and the planning and design principles set out in the policy remain able to be consistently applied across the site. The following conditions are considered appropriate to be met before development is permitted. | For plan effectiveness and consistency with the NPPF. |


| MM69 | LPRSA149 | Amend Policy LPRSA149 $1^{\text {st }}$ sentence as follows: <br> Maidstone West is included as a draft allocation for the development of approximately 210130 dwellings, and no net loss of town centre uses. | To ensure the plan is positively prepared and effective. |
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| MM70 | LPRSA151 | Amend Policy LPRSA151 under Access/Highways and Transportation sub-heading as follows: <br> Access/Highways and transportation <br> - Secure cycle parking for residents to be provided. <br> - The development should provide improved pedestrian crossing facilities in the vicinity of the site to be agreed with the Council and the Highway Authority. | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM71 | LPRSA295 | Amend Policy LPRSA295 under Landscape/Ecology sub-heading to include an additional criterion as follows: <br> Provide an Ecological Impact Assessment of development sites and any additional land put forward for mitigation purposes to take full account of the biodiversity present. | For plan effectiveness and consistency with national policy. |
| MM72 | LPRSA204 | Amend Policy LPRSA204 under Design sub-heading to delete $2^{\text {nd }}$ bullet as follows: Design of the site will need to ensure neighbouring resident's amenity is protected. | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM73 | LPRSA310 | Amend Policy LPRSA310 under Access, Highways and transportation sub-heading, $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ bullet as follows: <br> Development will be subject to provision of acceptable and safe off-site pedestrian and cycle connectivity along Moat Road to the A274... <br> Amend Policy LPRSA310 under Access, Highways and transportation sub-heading, to include an additional $5^{\text {th }}$ bullet as follows: <br> Development must ensure appropriate access for emergency vehicles. | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM74 | LPRSA362 | Amend Policy LPRSA362 as follows: | For plan effectiveness. |


|  |  | Maidstone Police HQ is included as a draft allocation for the development of approximately 247 dwellings and approximately 5,800 sqm 7,500 sqm of commercial and community uses. The following conditions are considered appropriate to be met before development is permitted <br> Additional policy criteria under 'principles' to refer to: <br> The development of this site, together with SA270 shall be guided by a series of overarching principles that ensure a coordinated approach with respect to, for example; vehicular access, open space, sports provision, pedestrian and cycle connectivity, biodiversity net gain and ecological mitigation |  |
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| MM75 | LPRSA265 <br> Policies Map | Amend policy LPRSA265 as follows: <br> Land at Abbey Gate Farm is included as a-draft an allocation for the development of approximately 250 dwellings at an average density of 30 dwellings per hectare. The following conditions are considered appropriate to be met before development is permitted. <br> Design and layout <br> - Development of the site shall be informed by a landscape-led masterplan that is informed by both an LVIA and historic landscape assessment. <br> - The layout of buildings and landscaping shall be designed to mitigate visual impacts upon the adjacent countryside areas, with specific landscape buffers to mitigate impacts upon the wider area of Local Landscape Value. <br> - With the exception of a possible site access road and associated infrastructure, there shall be no built development on that part of the site that comprises the Walnut Tree Meadows Nature Reserve. <br> - Now development should not be located on the higher ground adjacent to Dean Street, unloss appropriate visual mitigation is proposed. <br> - There will be no built development east of Straw Mill Hill or south of the public right of way. <br> - The layout of streets and landscaping shall have regard to the site topography. <br> - The layout and design of the site will need to ensure residential neighbours' amenity is protected. <br> - Development should preserve and enhance the setting of adjacent built heritage assets with specific regard to the setting of the Grade II* listed Abbey Gate Place and the Loose Conservation Area. In particular appropriate buffers (to be informed by heritage | To ensure the plan is positively prepared, justified and effective. |



- No vehicular access, other than emergency access shall be proposed from Stockett Lane/Straw Mill Lane Hill.
- The alignment and setting of PROW should be retained and enhanced.
- Measures to enhance pedestrian and cycle connectivity to the wider network shall be brought forwards, including where appropriate, connections to adjacent development sites and other off-site enhancements.
- The development shall be accompanied by an assessment of opportunities to deliver enhancements to public transport services, including the potential to bring a bus service into the site and with increased regularity.
- Development will be subject to appropriate improvement works to Dean Street and or any other off-site improvements works necessary to make the development acceptable


## Open Space

- Open spaces shall incorporate no less than 2.0 ha of accessible green amenity space incorporating areas of children's play and community allotments.
- Semi/natural open space of no less than 3.0 ha shall be provided, the function of which will focus upon habitat creation and biodiversity net gain.
- Open spaces shall be subject to a landscape management strategy to be agreed with the Council, this shall set out measures for the long term management and maintenance of all public open spaces, semi/natural open space and ecology


## Contaminated Land

- The site is + adjacent to a former landfill site and the site should be made safe prior to any development commencing.
- The surface water drainage strategy shall demonstrate that regard has been had to potential contamination risks.
- Ground piling shall not take place unless agreed by the Environment Agency.


## Utilities Infrastructure

- The Applicant to demonstrate that adequate connections to the nearest points of the network are achievable and that adequate capacity exists/can be created for all utilities.


|  |  | Environmental Management \& Assessment's ‘Guidelines for Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment' (Third Edition) or updates to this guidance. |  |
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| MM77 | LPRSA270 | Amend Policy LPRSA270 $1^{\text {st }}$ sentence as follows: <br> Land south west of Pested Bars Road is included as a draft allocation for the development of approximately $196 \underline{300}$ dwellings at an average density of 30 dwellings per hectare. | To ensure a positively prepared, effective policy. |
| MM78 | LPRSA270 <br> Policies Map | Amend Policy LPRSA270 as follows: <br> Under the Heading 'Principles': <br> - Development of this site will be subject to the prior agreement with the Council of a site-wide masterplan framework/phasing strategy-shall be guided by a series of overarching principles to be agreed with the Council that ensure a coordinated approach with respect to, for example; vehicular access, open space, sports provision, pedestrian and cycle connectivity, biodiversity net gain / ecological mitigation <br> - Such a framework will demonstrate that the site is planned and brought forward in a coordinated manner having regard to adjacent site allocations at the former Police HQ SA362. <br> - Having regard to the scale of development, the masterplan framework shall incorporate an infrastructure impact assessment. <br> - Unless agreed by the Council as part of the development of the masterplan framework, the outline land budget shall be based upon: <br> - No more than 11 12-14 ha of net developable residential land, the extent to be informed through LVIA and other open space / sports requirements. <br> $\ominus$ No less than 25 ha of open space, including accessible public open space, new biodiversity habitat <br> - No less than 25ha of open space shall be provided, including proposals for a country park on land to the east of Cliff Hill. <br> - A community hub incorporating both community uses and integrated open space <br> $\theta$ Highway infrastructure that is designed to minimise land take and visual impacts <br> Under the Heading 'Open Space': <br> - No less than 25ha of open space shall be provided, including proposals for a country park on land to the east of Cliff Hill. | For clarity and to ensure an effective policy. |


|  | •The site-wide open space strategy shall have regard to the requirements of Policy <br> SP13(B) \& LPRINF1. <br> Open spaces shall incorporate no less than 2.0 ha of accessible green amenity space <br> integrated in the residential development parcels incorporating areas of children's play. <br> The scheme shall provide for and community allotments space/s to be made available <br> for community growing areas. <br> -Subject to liaison with Sport England and the Parish Council, appropriate provision for <br> outdoor sports may be required. <br> - Semi/natural open space of no less than 5.0 ha shall be provided, the function of which <br> will focus upon habitat creation and biodiversity net gain. <br> Open spaces shall be subject to a landscape management strategy to be agreed with <br> the Council, this shall set out measures for the long term funding, management and <br> maintenance of all public open spaces, semi/natural open space and areas of <br> biodiversity habitat. |
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| After Policy LPRSA270 insert Key Diagram as follows: |  |


|  |  | Key Diagram LPRSA270 |  |
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| MM79 | LPRSA362 | Amend Policy LPRSA362 $1^{\text {st }}$ sentence as follows: <br> Maidstone Police HQ is included as a draft allocation for the development of approximately 247 dwellings and approximately 7,500 sqm 5,800 sqm of commercial and community uses. | To ensure a positively prepared, justified and effective policy. |
| MM80 | LPRSA362 | Amend Policy LPRSA362 under Access and Highways sub-heading to include a new criterion as follows: <br> Prior to the first occupation, the private access gate between the site and Boughton Ln-at the junction of Cliff Hill and Pested Bars Road shall be closed to traffic, but for emergency / operational police vehicles. | For policy clarity and plan effectiveness. |
| MM81 | LPRSA366 | Amend Policy LPRSA366 under Access/Highways and transportation sub-heading to add criterion as follows: | For policy clarity and plan effectiveness. |


|  |  | The site should be designed to complement and enable local improvements to the A229. |  |
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| MM82 | LPRSA172 | Amend Policy LPRSA172 under Design and Layout sub-heading 6 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ bullet as follows: <br> Development shall demonstrate that the layout, scale and form of development has regard to the need to preserve and enhance the setting of the grade II listed Rumwood Court, including through a LVIA. <br> Amend Policy LPRSA172 Under 'Design and Layout' sub-heading to include a new $7^{\text {th }}$ bullet and diagram as follows: <br> - To protect the open character of the adjacent countryside and to avoid coalescence, built development will be limited to the areas shown on the accompanying key diagram. Within this area, the additional policy requirements must still be met. <br> After Policy LPRSA172 insert Key Diagram as follows: | To ensure an effective, justified policy. |

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|  |  | Development proposals shall incorporate substantial areas of internal landscaping within the <br> site to provide an appropriate landscape framework for the site to protect the setting of the Kent <br> Down AONB. <br> An undeveloped section of land will be rotained and landscaped to protect the amenity and <br> privacy of existing neighbouring residents. |  |
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| MM84 | LPRSA066 | Amend Policy LPRSA066 as follows: <br> Land east of Lodge Rd is included as a draft allocation for the development of <br> approximately 78 dwellings on 3.8ha and approximately 1,000 sq.m of employment on <br> 0.3 ha within the north-eastern part of the site. The following conditions are considered <br> appropriate to be met before development is permitted. <br> Under Layout and Design, insert new bullet, as follows: <br> Appropriate buffers shall be provided between the residential and commercial areas. <br> Under Access, Highways and transportation sub-heading amend 1st bullet as follows: <br> Vehicular access shall be provided to both from Lodge Road.-and The site will facilitate future <br> pedestrian and vehicle connections to the-adjacent residential development to the west of the <br> site if possible. | For policy clarity and <br> to ensure plan <br> effectiveness. |
| MM85 | LPRSA066 | Amend Policy LPRSA066 under Access, Highways and transportation sub-heading 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ <br> bullet as follows: <br> The developer shall liaise with KCC Highways regarding and measures necessary to manage <br> through traffic/rat running, including consideration the cumulative effect of developments on the <br> A229 corridor and mitigations will be required to address this. | For plan <br> effectiveness. <br> In addition, provide a Key Diagram to identify the residential and commercial <br> development areas, as follows: |


|  |  | Key Diagram LPRSA066 |  |
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| MM86 | LPRSA114 | Amend Policy LPRSA114 to add bullet point 3 to Transport <br> The developer shall liaise with KCC Highways regarding and measures necessary to manage through traffic/rat running, including consideration the cumulative effect of developments on the A229 corridor and mitigations will be required to address this. <br> With regard to the wider criteria, clarify the expectations regarding parcels $A$ and $B$ as follows: <br> Insert Key Diagram identifying parcels A and B, as follows: | For plan effectiveness. |



- The site comprises two parcels of land, the main, Site A, to the north of Pile Lane and a smaller Site B to the north.
- The two parcels of land shall be the subject of a single masterplan that provides an appropriate distribution of built development and open space having regard to the following guidelines.
- Development of Site A shall be set back from Headcorn Road and be designed to respect its rural character.
- The north eastern section of $s$ site A and the entirety of Site B will be built at a lower density and incorporate landscaping buffers in order to reflect the settlement edge location and to preserve the rural lane character of both Pile and Sweetlands Lanes
- Development along the eastern boundary of Site A should be sited and designed to ensure an appropriate relationship with neighbouring commercial uses, such that the amenity of future residents is acceptable and so that the ongoing commercial viability of the commercial unit land to the east is not prejudiced.
- Site design and layout shall be informed by a local historic impact assessment.


## Landscape/Ecology

- A phase 1 habitat survey will be required, which may as a result require on and/or-off site mitigation for the existing habitat of local fauna/flora.
- The development proposals shall be designed to take into account the results of a LVIA undertaken in accordance with the principles of current guidance.
- Existing tree/hedgerow margins should be retained/enhanced in order to provide the opportunity for biodiversity habitat creation/enhancement.
- Development will be subject to a site-wide strategy to incorporate an appropriate level of biodiversity net gain in accordance with national and local policy.
- Public access to areas designated as habitat in any landscape masterplan would normally be limited to maintenance purposes.


## Access, Highways and transportation

- Vehicular access to site A shall be via Headcorn Road, with the junction designed to minimize loss of existing hedgerow. There shall be no vehicular access from Site A to either Pile Lane or Sweetlands Lane.
- Vehicular access from Site B shall be located so as to minimize hedgerow loss and preferably, for highway safety reasons, be via Little Threads + Lane.

|  |  | Flood Risk/Drainage <br> - The layout of residential accommodation should avoid the northern part of the site and the fringes of Flood Zone 2. <br> - A Flood Risk Assessment and surface water drainage strategy will be required alongside any planning application. This should demonstrate that sufficient on-site mitigation is achievable in order to ensure that the risk of flooding in adjacent areas is not increased. <br> Open Space <br> - The developments shall provide accessible open amenity space in accordance with Policy SP13(B) \&-LPRINF1, to include a minimum of 0.18 ha of useable amenity green space incorporating children's play, micro allotments/community growing areas and other functions that contribute positively to the health and wellbeing of the future community. <br> - Site A shall also provide 0.85 ha of semi/natural open space. <br> Utilities Infrastructure <br> - The Applicant to demonstrate that adequate connections to the nearest points of the network are achievable and that adequate capacity exists/can be created for all utilities. <br> - Where there may be limited capacity in the utility network, the occupation of the development will be phased to align with the delivery of necessary infrastructure. |  |
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| MM87 | Page 86 | Amend diagram on page 86 (Staplehurst Rural Service Centre) as follows: <br> Diagram to clarify the two distinct land parcels ( $A$ and $B$ ) as referenced in the policy. | For clarity and plan effectiveness. |




- The development proposals shall include provision for the protection and buffering as appropriate of the adjacent area of ancient woodland.
- Balancing ponds and swales shall not be counted towards on-site semi/natural open space needs unless it can be demonstrated that they provide appropriate and undisturbed ecological habitat.
- Provision shall include no less than 1.3 ha of semi/natural open space the principle principal focus of which shall be to contribute to site buffers and biodiversity net gain, but which may include access where conflict with habitat does not arise. The location and layout of such areas shall be designed to avoid conflict with more active accessible residential amenity spaces such as children's play.
- The development proposals shall be designed to take into account the results of a landscape and visual impact assessment undertaken in accordance with the principles of guidance in place at the time of the submission of an application.


## Access, Highways and transportation

- Vehicular access shall be via Heath Road, with no vehicular connections to Forstal Lane.
- The new junction to Heath Road shall incorporate appropriate sight lines and be designed to appropriate capacity and safety standards.
- The site shall enable connectivity to existing/planned PRoW and cycle routes to the east and west of the site.
- The site shall provide safe pedestrian and cycle routes through the site which are by design well supervised.
- Contributions to off-site highways mitigation, namely Linton Crossroads, or an alternative agreed by the LPA and Highway Authority.


## Open Space

- The development shall provide accessible open amenity space in accordance with Policy SP13(B) \& INF1, with in addition to any semi/natural buffer, a minimum of 0.26 ha 0.55 ha of additional of useable accessible amenity green space incorporating elements such children's play, micro allotments and other functions that contribute positively to the wellbeing of the future community. - Such amenity spaces should form an integrated element of the overall masterplan.
- The quality and function of accessible open space shall not be prejudiced by the incorporation of any active SUDS elements, which if necessary should
be independently provided.
- Where it is not feasible, due to site characteristics, to provide an appropriate open space

|  | typology in accordance with Policy SP13(B), the scheme shall make appropriate financiat <br> contributions towards off-site provision/public realm improvements within the village- |  |
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| Utilities Infrastructure <br> - The Applicant-proposal to demonstrate that adequate connections to the nearest points <br> of the network are achievable and that adequate capacity exists/can be created for all <br> utilities. <br> - Where there may be limited capacity in the utility network, the occupation of <br> the development will be phased to align with the delivery of infrastructure. <br> Amend site allocation boundary as follows (with revised boundary shown in schedule <br> of changes to Policies Map). |  |  |


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| MM89 | LPRSA248 | Amend Policy LPRSA248 as follows: <br> Land to the north and south of at Kenward Road totalling 9.1 ha is included as a draft an allocation for the development of approximately 100 dwellings at an average density of approximately 30 dwellings per hectare, together with associated open space and infrastructure on land south of Kenward Road. The following conditions are considered appropriate to be met before development is permitted. <br> Design and Layout <br> The development shall provide approximately 100 dwellings, only to be provided on land | For plan effectiveness and clarity to aid policy implementation. |



## Access, Highways and Transportation

- Access points to both sites to the residential element (plus any maintenance or other access to the open space to the south) shall provide junction and sight lines designed to appropriate capacity and safety standards.
- Both site access points shall incorporate The development shall provide appropriate pedestrian crossing points to Kenward Road to allow connectivity to existing footways.
- The southern site shall enable appropriate access to the adjacent agricultural holding in a manner that does not adversely impact upon the amenity and safety of residents and users of the open space.
- The southern site shall provide parking for users of the open space in a manner that does not adversely affect the amenity of the surrounding area.
- Replacement provision shall also be provided for any loss of on-street residential parking.
- The development shall deliver appropriate traffic speed management measures to the surrounding highway network. North Street.


## Flood Risk/Drainage

- The site should be designed to ensure that it has a positive impact on the River Beult catchment, and does not worsen local flood risks on Mote Road
- The only vehicular access to the site is through Flood Zone 3. Any development will be dependent upon acceptable flood safety measures being agreed with the EA.


## Open Space

- The provision of open space shall have regard to Policy SP13(B) \& LPRINF1
- The proposed open spaces across both sites and new biodiversity areas shall be the subject of a delivery strategy and long-term management plan.
- The residential parcel north of Kenward Road shall incorporate both green amenity and play space in a location that is safe for children and well supervised, plus elements of semi natural informal open space.
- The land south of Kenward Road shall provide approximately 4.9 ha of public open space/habitat in the form of approximately - to be determined through the submission of an Open Space Strategy in collaboration with the council and the Parish council):
o 0.4ha of community allotments/growing areas

|  |  | - ha of new Riverside landscape/habitat creation <br> - ha of informal open space <br> - 0.5ha of recreational open space <br> - Sustainable Urban Drainage <br> - Ancillary parking to support the open space <br> Utilities Infrastructure <br> - The Applicant to demonstrate that adequate connections to the nearest points of the network are achievable and that adequate capacity exists/can be created for all utilities. <br> - Where there may be limited capacity in the utility network, the occupation of the development will be phased to align with the delivery of infrastructure. |  |
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| MM90 | LPRSA071 | Amend Policy LPRSA071 $1^{\text {st }}$ sentence as follows: <br> Land adjacent to Kellen Manor, Harrietsham is included as a draft allocation for the development of approximately 4737 dwellings. <br> Amend Policy LPRSA071 $6^{\text {th }}$ bullet under Landscape/Ecology as follows: <br> - The development proposals shall be designed to take into account the results of a detailed aboricultural survey, tree constraints plan and tree retention/protection plans, including to inform the site development capacity. | For plan effectiveness and to ensure policy is justified. |

Chapter 9: Development management policies

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| MM91 | LPRHOU1 | Amend Policy LPRHOU1 as follows: | For plan <br> effectiveness. <br> 1. Proposals for development on previously developed land (brownfield land) on land <br> outside of smaller villages and the countryside that make effective and efficient use of <br> land and which meet the following criteria will be permitted... |


|  |  | 2. In exceptional circumstances, the residential redevelopment of previously developed land in the countryside and smaller villages which meet the above criteria will be permitted provided the redevelopment will also result in... |  |
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| MM92 | LPRHOU2 | Amend Policy LPRHOU2 as follows: <br> 1. On land outside of the countryside and undefined settlements proposals for the extension, conversion or redevelopment of a residential property which meet the following criteria will be permitted if... <br> 2. On land outside the countryside and undefined settlements proposals for the conversion or redevelopment of a dwelling to self-contained flats or the use of a building as a house in multiple occupation which also meet the following criterion will be permitted... | For plan effectiveness. |
| MM93 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Para } 9.31 \\ & \text { to } 9.32 \end{aligned}$ | Amend paragraphs 9.31 to 9.32 as follows: <br> 9.31 The SHMA identifies three sub-categories of specialist residential accommodation for older people: <br> - Retirement living or sheltered housing which comprises self-contained units with some shared facilities and on-site supportive management. <br> - Enhanced sheltered housing which typically has 24/7 staffing cover and some shared meals. <br> - Extra care which provides personal or nursing care. These facilities may include dementia care. These are counted as bedspaces. <br> 9.31(a) The SHMA defines these as Housing with Support and Housing with Care. It identifies a total need of 2,142 speciality housing units as follows: <br> 9.32 The SHMA identifies a total need of 2,142 retirement living and enhanced sheltered housing units over the plan period comprising a mix of rented and leasehold tenures, and an additional 1,228 extra care or nursing home bedspaces. | To ensure the plan is positively prepared and justified. To appropriately reflect the evidence base. |


| MM94 | LPRHOU7 | Amend Policy LPRHOU7 as follows: <br> 1. On land within or adjacent to the boundaries of Maidstone urban area, Rural Service Contres, and larger villages settlement boundary, proposals for new retirement living, sheltered housing, enhanced sheltered housing and extra care facilities, through new build, conversion or redevelopment and for extensions to existing nursing and residential care homes which meet the following criteria will be permitted: <br> a. The site is located adjacent to the settlement boundary; <br> b. The proposal is sustainably located with accessibility by public transport; <br> c. The proposal will not adversely affect the character of the locality or the amenity of neighbouring properties including by means of noise disturbance or intensity of use; or by way of size, bulk or overlooking; and <br> d. Sufficient visitor and staff vehicle parking is provided in a manner which does not diminish the character of the street scene. <br> 2. Proposals for specialist residential accommodation in unsustainable locations, and not within or adjacent to the defined boundaries of the Maidstone urban area, rural service centres and larger villages will not be permitted. <br> 3.Existing specialist residential accommodation will be protected from loss through either redevelopment or conversion where there is an identified need. Any change outside that permitted will need to demonstrate the lack of need for, or financial viability of, the facility within the borough. | For plan effectiveness and ensure the plan is positively prepared. |
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| MM95 | Para 9.40 | Amend paragraph 9.40 as follows: <br> As set out in Policy LPRSP10(b) the council supports the principle of self and custom build housing and aims to meet the needs of those identified on the registers that it keeps. However, it also needs to manage the development of this type of housing to make sure it is appropriate. It is important to ensure that larger schemes deliver design coherence and are carefully planned and managed to ensure clarity for individual plot holders. As with other windfall housing development, custom and self-build housing should primarily be located as per the settlement hierarchy, and therefore outside of the countryside unless site specific circumstances indicate otherwise. | For plan effectiveness. |


| MM96 | LPRHOU8 | Amend Policy LPRHOU8 to delete criterion (1)(II) and footnote (13) as follows: <br> H. The planning definition of a Gypsy, Traveller or Travelling Showpoople, as set out in Planning Policy for Travellor Sites (2015) ${ }^{13}$ is met; <br> ${ }^{\text {43 }}$ Planning Policy for Traveller Sites (2015): <br> https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/planning-policy-for-traveller-sites | For consistency with national planning policy. |
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| MM97 | LPRHOU9 | Amend Policy LPRHOU9 criterion (2) as follows: <br> 2. The revision of self-build or custom build housing to open market housing will be permitted in the following circumstance: <br> a. Evidence is provided to the council that plots have been prominently marketed for sale to self or custom builders through the Council's Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Register and through any relevant organisations, and a buyer has not been found within a 2412-month period. | For plan effectiveness and to ensure the plan is justified. |
| MM98 | Para 9.71 <br> LPRTLR2 | Amend paragraph 9.71 as follows: <br> With such a diverse rural tourism offer, it is important to provide alternative, diverse forms of accommodation to encourage visitors to stay for extended periods of time in the borough. However, the provision of tourist facilities must be balanced against the need to recognise the quality of the countryside for the sake of its intrinsic character and beauty. Proposals must also accord with the criteria set out under LPRSP14 in relation to Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Green Belt. For the purposes of policy LPRTLR2, the term 'holiday lets' does not include the construction of new permanent dwellings in the countryside. <br> Amend Policy LPRTLR2 as follows: <br> 1. Proposals for sites for the stationing of holiday lets, holiday caravans and/or holiday tents outside of the settlement boundaries as defined on the policies map will be permitted where... | For plan effectiveness. To make clear the distinction between visitor accommodation and permanent dwellings for policy implementation. |


| MM99 | LPRQ\&D3 | Amend Policy LPRQ\&D3 to delete last sentence as follows: <br> In town, district and local centres as set out in policy LPRSP11(c), signage should be at ground floor level unless there is sufficient justification for them above this lovel. | For plan effectiveness. |
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| MM100 | LPRQ\&D5 | Amend Policy LPRQ\&D5 to include policy numbering and a new criterion (1)(vi) as follows: <br> 1. The conversion of rural buildings will be permitted where the following criteria are met: <br> vi. In addition and where relevant, account should be taken of the Kent Farmsteads Guidance and the Kent Downs AONB Farmstead Guidance. <br> Conversion for non-residential purposes <br> 2. In addition to criteria $1(\mathrm{i}-\mathrm{vi})$ above... <br> Conversion for residential purposes <br> 3. In addition to criteria 1 ( $\mathrm{i}-\mathrm{vi}$ ) above... | For plan effectiveness and to ensure the plan is justified. |
| MM101 | LPRQ\&D6 | Amend Policy LPRQ\&D6 as follows: <br> All new development will be expected where possible to meet the new technical standards as follows: <br> 1) internal space standards as set out... <br> 1)2) Accessibility and adaptable dwellings standard M4 (2) or any superseding standards in line with evidence of the SHMA, national planning policy and guidance. Development proposals will be considered having regard to site specific factors (such as vulnerability to flooding, site topography, and other circumstances) which may make a specific site less suitable for M4(2) compliant dwellings, particularly where step free access cannot be achieved or is not viable. <br> 3) Where the Council has identified evidence of a specific need for a wheelchair accessible standard M4(3) property (for which the council is responsible for allocating or nominating a person to live in that dwelling) that is relevant to a site, this will be negotiated with the developer and secured by planning obligation, subject to consideration of viability and suitability. | For consistency with the NPPF and NPPG. |


|  |  | 3)4) New dwellings shall be built... |  |
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| MM102 | Paras 9.87 to 9.90 <br> LPRTRA3 | Delete paragraphs 9.87 to 9.90 and Policy LPRTRA3 as follows: <br> POLICY LPRTRA3: PARK AND RIDE <br> The role of park and ride is to provide an alternative to the private car from the outer parts of an urban area to the centre. It is to help combat congestion, air quality issues and bring about environmental benefits <br> Aaidstone has supported the principle of Park and Ride for a long time. The first site serving the town opened in 1989. At present there are two park and ride sides within Maidstone Borough serving the urban area. These include: <br> - Willington Street Park and Ride <br> - London Road Park and Ride <br> Gombined these sites provided a capacity of approximately 918 parking spaces, and a regular service from them to the town centre- <br> The Council will keep under regular review future need for park and ride provision, and will consider alternative sites, if required. <br> Policy LPRTRA3: Park \& Ride <br> The following sites, as defined on the policies map, are designated bus Park and Ride sites: <br> i. London Road (to serve the A20 west corridor); and <br> ii.-Willington Street (to serve the A20 east corridor). <br> The council will seok to protect these sites to be maintained as Park and Ride sites and will seok epportunities for now Park and Ride sites in the borough, especially in and around the Maidstone Urban Area. | For plan effectiveness and to ensure the plan is justified. |
| MM103 | LPRTRA4 | Amend Policy LPRTRA4 as follows: <br> 1. Car parking standards for new residential developments will be assessed against the | For policy clarity, plan effectiveness and consistency with Building Regulations. |



|  |  | 4. Proposals for non-residential development which includes the provision of parking shall provide electric vehicle charging points at a minimum rate of $50 \%$ active Electric Vehicle charging points, and $50 \%$ passive Electric Vehicle charging points. |  |
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| MM104 | LPRINF2 | Amend Policy LPRINF2 as follows: <br> Adequate accessibility to community facilities, including social, education and other facilities, is an essential component of new residential development. <br> 1. Residential development which would generate a need for new community facilities or for which spare capacity in such facilities does not exist, will not be permitted unless the provision of new, extended or improved facilities (or a contribution towards such provision) is secured as appropriate by planning conditions, through legal agreements, or through the Community Infrastructure Levy. <br> 2. Proposals requiring planning permission which would lead to a loss of community facilities will not be permitted unless: <br> - It is evidenced that a need within the locality no longer exists, and it is not commercially viable (supported by audited financial reports and a reasonable level of proper marketing evidence); <br> - or a replacement facility acceptable to the council is provided or secured. <br> 3. Specific proposals affecting existing open space, sports and recreation assets requiring permission will not be permitted unless they accord with the relevant sections of the NPPF and Sport England's Playing Field Policy where relevant. <br> 3. 4. The council will seek to ensure, where appropriate, that providers of education facilities make provision for dual use of facilities in the design of new schools and will encourage the dual use of education facilities (new and existing) for recreation and other purposes. | For consistency with national policy and an effective plan. |
| MM105 | LPRENV1 | Amend Policy LPRENV1 as follows: <br> 1. Applicants will be expected to ensure that new development affecting a heritage asset incorporates measures to conserve, and where possible enhance, the significance of the heritage asset and its setting. This includes responding positively to views of and from that asset. This also includes the potential public benefits from development impacting a heritage asset. | For consistency with national policy/guidance and plan effectiveness. <br> Note: Modification to criterion (3) is a minor modification but shown with other |


|  |  | 2. Where appropriate, development proposals will be expected to respond to the value of the historic environment by the means of a proportionate Heritage Assessment which assesses and takes full account of: <br> i. Any heritage assets, and their settings, which could be impacted by the proposals; <br> ii. The significance of the assets; and <br> iii. The scale of the impact of development on the identified significance. <br> 3. Where development is proposed for a site which includes or has the potential to include heritage assets with archaeological interest, applicants must submit a proportionate tandscape assessment by way of an appropriate desk-based assessment and, where necessary, a field evaluation. This will be used to inform development and identify opportunities to enhance awareness, understanding and enjoyment of the historic environment to the benefit of community. <br> 4. The council will apply the relevant tests and assessment factors specified in the National Planning Policy Framework when determining applications for development which would result in the loss of, or harm to, the significance of a heritage asset and/or its setting. This includes applying this policy to non-designated heritage assets where a balanced judgement will be required having regard to the scale of any harm or loss and the significance of the heritage asset. | changes for completeness. Also shown in Minor Mods schedule. |
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## Chapter 10: Monitoring and review

No modifications proposed.

## Chapter 11: Appendices

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| MM106 | Appendix 1 <br> Page 286 | Amend Appendix 1 'Housing Trajectory' to provide an updated housing trajectory, <br> including a stepped trajectory. <br> As set out in the Appendix to this schedule of main modifications. | For plan <br> effectiveness. |
| MM107 | Appendix 2 | Amend selected terms in the Appendix 2 'Glossary'. |  |
| Page 287 | As set out in the Appendix to this schedule of main modifications. | For plan <br> effectiveness and |  |


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| MM108 | Appendices | Insert a new Appendix 3 titled 'Saved Policies' as follows: <br> As set out in the Appendix to this schedule of main modifications. |  |  |
| MM109 | Appendices | Insert a new Appendix 4 titled 'Strategic Policies' as follows: <br> Appendix 4 - Strategic Policies <br> Maidstone Local Plan Review |  | For consistency with the NPPF. |
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|  |  | Policy reference | Policy Name |  |
|  |  | LPRSS1 | Maidstone borough spatial strategy |  |
|  |  | LPRSP1 | Maidstone town centre |  |
|  |  | LPRSP2 | Maidstone urban area |  |
|  |  | LPRSP3 | Edge of the Maidstone urban area |  |
|  |  | LPRSP4(A) | Heathlands garden settlement |  |
|  |  | LPRSP4(B) | Lidsing garden community |  |
|  |  | LPRSP5 | Strategic development locations |  |
|  |  | LPRSP5(B) | Invicta Barracks strategic development location |  |
|  |  | LPRSP5(C) | Lenham broad location for housing growth |  |
|  |  | LPRSP6 | Rural service centres |  |
|  |  | LPRSP6(A) | Coxheath |  |
|  |  | LPRSP6(B) | Harrietsham |  |
|  |  | LPRSP6(C) | Headcorn |  |
|  |  | LPRSP6(D) | Lenham |  |
|  |  | LPRSP6(E) | Marden |  |
|  |  | LPRSP6(F) | Staplehurst |  |
|  |  | LPRSP7 | Larger villages |  |
|  |  | LPRSP7(A) | East Farleigh |  |
|  |  | LPRSP7(B) | Eyhorne Street (Hollingbourne) |  |
|  |  | LPRSP7(C) | Sutton Valence |  |
|  |  | LPRSP7(D) | Yalding |  |
|  |  | LPRSP8 | Smaller villages |  |
|  |  | LPRSP9 | Development in the countryside |  |
|  |  | LPRSP10 | Housing delivery |  |
|  |  | LPRSP10(A) | Housing mix |  |



Appendix to the Main Modifications
Appendix 1: Housing Trajectory

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Past } \\ \text { (compl } \end{gathered}$ | years letions) | Future trajectory (from expected plan adoption in 2023) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { N } \\ & \underset{\sim}{\mathrm{N}} \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\underset{N}{N}}{\underset{\sim}{N}}$ | $\underset{\underset{N}{N}}{\underset{N}{N}}$ | $\underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{N}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \stackrel{N}{N} \\ \underset{N}{N} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { N} \\ & \underset{O}{\prime} \\ & \text { N } \\ & \text { N } \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{\infty}{\underset{N}{N}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\sim}{N} \\ & \underset{\sim}{N} \\ & \text { Nin } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ò } \\ & \underset{\sim}{\sim} \\ & \text { Nin } \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{m}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\sim}{N} \\ & \underset{\sim}{\sim} \\ & \underset{\sim}{n} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\sim}{N} \\ & \underset{N}{N} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\sim}{m} \\ & \underset{N}{N} \\ & \underset{N}{n} \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{i n}{\stackrel{i}{\sim}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{0}{n} \\ & \stackrel{N}{N} \\ & \text { Ni } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hat{m} \\ & \stackrel{\sim}{\circ} \\ & \stackrel{N}{N} \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{\infty}{\underset{N}{N}}$ |
| 1,157 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,150 | 1,150 | 1,150 | 1,150 | 1,150 | 1,352 | 1,352 | 1,352 | 1,353 | 1,353 |
| 1,157 | 1,000 | 5,000 |  |  |  |  | 5,750 |  |  |  |  | 6,762 |  |  |  |  |


| Supply component |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { N } \\ \underset{N}{\mathrm{~N}} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { N } \\ \underset{N}{N} \\ \text { N } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \underset{\sim}{N} \\ & \underset{\sim N}{N} \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{\text { Ñ }}{\substack{N \\ \text { Nin }}}$ | $\stackrel{N}{N}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ǹ } \\ & \stackrel{N}{N} \\ & \text { Ǹ } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\text { Nin }}{\substack{N}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ǸN } \\ & \text { Ǹ } \\ & \text { Nิ } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { N} \\ & \text { Ǹ } \\ & \text { Nे } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { - } \\ & \text { on } \\ & \text { in } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { N} \\ & \text { ल్ల్ల } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { m} \\ & \text { N } \\ & \text { م̃ } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 呰 } \\ & \text { N/ } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\circ}{ల} \\ & \stackrel{N}{N} \\ & \text { N } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nen } \\ & \stackrel{N}{\circ} \\ & \text { Nి } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\substack{\infty \\ \underset{N}{N} \\ \hline}}{ }$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Total } \\ 2021 / 22- \\ 2037 / 38 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
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| ANNUAL REQUIREMENT |  | 1,157 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,150 | 1,150 | 1,150 | 1,150 | 1,150 | 1,352 | 1,352 | 1,352 | 1,353 | 1,353 | 19,669 |
| Completions | 2,691 | 1,627 | 1,064 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2,691 |
| Extant permission 10+ Total | 3,700 | - | - | 662 | 972 | 712 | 561 | 325 | 177 | 118 | 72 | 40 | 40 | 21 | - | - | - | - | 3,606 |
| Extant permission <10 Total | 518 | - | - | 186 | 191 | 132 | 9 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 518 |
| LP17 Allocation Total | 230 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 154 | 76 | - | - | - | - | 230 |
| Lenham NP Total | 895 | - | - | - | - | 40 | 40 | 40 | 16 | - | 240 | 190 | 115 | 80 | 80 | 54 | - | - | 895 |
| Broad Location Total | 567 | - | - | - | - | - | 34 | 34 | 33 | 33 | 33 | - | - | 60 | 60 | 90 | 90 | 100 | 567 |
| TC 700 Total | 215 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 215 |
| Garden Settlement Total | 2,890 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 60 | 100 | 180 | 300 | 355 | 360 | 375 | 380 | 390 | 390 | 2,890 |
| Invicta Barracks Total | 1,300 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 50 | 75 | 75 | 100 | 100 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 1,300 |
| Broad Location - villages Total | 365 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 73 | 73 | 73 | 73 | 73 | 365 |
| Windfall large Total | 1,355 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 90 | 90 | 90 | 90 | 90 | 181 | 181 | 181 | 181 | 181 | 1,355 |
| Windfall small Total | 1,356 | - | - | - | - | - | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 1,356 |
| LPR Allocation Total | 3,308 | - | - | - | 11 | 119 | 583 | 693 | 548 | 386 | 387 | 280 | 239 | 62 | - | - | - | - | 3,308 |
| ANNUAL SUPPLY | 19,390 | 1,627 | 1,064 | 848 | 1,174 | 1,003 | 1,340 | 1,255 | 1,112 | 915 | 1,215 | 1,113 | 1,256 | 1,219 | 1,075 | 1,084 | 1,040 | 1,050 | 19,296 |
|  |  | 470 | 64 | -152 | 174 | 3 | 340 | 255 | -38 | -235 | 65 | -37 | 106 | -133 | -277 | -268 | -313 | -303 |  |
| Cumulative balance |  | 470 | 534 | 382 | 556 | 559 | 899 | 1,154 | 1,116 | 881 | 946 | 909 | 1,015 | 882 | 605 | 337 | 24 | -279 |  |



## Appendix 2: Glossary

| Definition | Modifications to Regulation 19 LPR Appendix 2: Glossary | Reason |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Article 4 Direction | Restricts permitted development rights in rolation to a particular area or site such as in a conservation area, or a particular type of development. <br> A direction made under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 which withdraws permitted development rights granted by that Order. | To bring in line with NPPF (2021). |
| Garden settlements | A holistically planned new settlement which enhances the natural environment and offers high-quality affordable housing and locally accessible work in beautiful, healthy, and sociable communities. The main characteristics are: <br> - A purpose-built new settlement, or large extension to an existing town <br> - A community with a clear identity and attractive environment <br> - It provides a mix of homes, including affordable <br> and self-build <br> - Planned by local authorities or private sector in consultation with the local community. | To rectify a typographical error. |
| Groen and blue infrastructure | The term is used in Maidstone borough to refer collectively to the active planning, creation, management and protection of multifunctional green spaces and water bodies (the blue element) in built and urban environments. The term includes but is not limited to parks and gardens, natural and semi natural open spaces, green corridors, outdoor sports facilities, allotments, and river corridors. The primary functions of GBI are to conserve and enhance biodiversity, create a sense of space and place, and support healthy living by increasing outdoor recreational opportunities for people. | To bring in line with NPPF (2021), this definition is deleted and captured in a new definition of 'Green and blue infrastructure' below. |
| Green and blue infrastructure | A network of multi-functional green and blue spaces and other natural features, urban and rural, which is capable of delivering a wide range of environmental, economic, health and wellbeing benefits and quality of life benefits for nature, climate, local and wider communities and prosperity. | To bring in line with NPPF (2021) definition of 'Green infrastructure'. |
| Housing Delivery Test | Measure's net additional dwellings provided homes delivered in a local authority area against the homes required, using national statistics and local authority data. The Secretary of State will publish the Housing Delivery Test results for each local authority in England every November. | To bring in line with NPPF (2021) and to rectify a typographical error. |
| Kent Medical Campus | Permission granted for $98,000 \mathrm{~m} 2$ A1, B1, C2 and D1 flexible accommodation for health, education, and life-science companies. <br> Refer to Policy LPRRMX1(1) - Newnham Park (Kent Medical Campus) | Clarification. The policy supporting text indicates that various permissions |


|  |  | have been granted at the site. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Larger Villages | Most sustainable established settlements in Maidstone's settlement hierarchy after the town centre, urban area and rural service centres: Goxheath East Farleigh, Eyhorne Street (Hollingbourne), Sutton Valence and Yalding | To accurately reflect the settlement hierarchy in the Local Plan Review. |
| Major <br> Development | For housing, development where 10 or more homes will be provided, or the site has an area of 0.5 hectares or more. For non-residential development it means additional floorspace of $1,000 \mathrm{~m} 2$ or more, or a site of 1 hectare or more, or as otherwise provided in the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015. | To bring in line with NPPF (2021) and relevant legislation. |
| National <br> Planning Policy <br> Framework | The NPPF was published in Fobruary 2019-July 2021 and it sets out the government's planning policies for England and how these must be applied. Local plan policies must be in conformity with the NPPF. | Factual correction. |
| Primary Shopping Area | Defined_Aarea where retail development is concentrated. | To bring in line with NPPF (2021). |
| Rural Service Centres | Most sustainable established settlements in Maidstone's settlement hierarchy after the town centre and urban area: Coxheath, Harrietsham, Headcorn, Lenham, Marden and Staplehurst. | To accurately reflect the settlement hierarchy in the Local Plan Review. |
| Schools Capacity Survey | The school capacity survey is a statutory data collection that all local authorities must complete every year. Local authorities must submit data about: school capacity (the number if of places and pupils in a school year), pupil forecasts (an estimation of how many pupils there will be in future), capital spend (the money schools and local authorities spend on their buildings and facilities). | To rectify a typographical error. |
| Self-build and custom-build housing | Housing built by an individual, a group of individuals, or persons working with of for them, to be occupied by that individual. Such housing can be either market or affordable housing. A legal definition, for the purpose of applying the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (as amended), is contained in section 1(A1) and (A2) of that Act. | To bring in line with NPPF (2021). |
| Sustainable <br> Transport <br> Modes | Any efficient, safe and accessible means of transport with overall low impact on the environment, including walking and cycling, low and ultra-low and zero emission vehicles, car sharing and public transport. | To bring in line with NPPF (2021). |

## Appendix 3: Saved Policies

Appendix 3 is attached separately (owing to file size).

Maidstone Borough Council Local Plan Review Appendix 3

Saved policies from the Maidstone Borough Local Plan 2017

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## User guide

The Maidstone Borough Local Plan 2017 'LP17' contained six main policy categories:

1) Strategic overarching policies
2) Development management policies
3) Residential site allocations
4) Broad locations for housing growth policies
5) Retail and mixed-use site allocations
6) Employment site allocations

Section A of this document contains index tables for each of the six policy categories, setting out the action taken with each of the LP17 policies through the Local Plan Review 'LPR' process. Upon adoption of the LPR, LP17 policies will be one of the following:

- Deleted - no longer form part of the Development Plan;
- Updated - either minor or major updates. Form part of the Development Plan, will have the prefix 'LPR', and are included within the main body of the LPR; or
- Retained - no changes to the LP17 wording. Form part of the Development Plan and are included within this appendix document (Section B).

Section B sets out the retained LP17 site allocation policies, grouped by policy type.

## SECTION A

## Policy index tables

Strategic overarching policies
2017 LP17 policy:

| 2017 LP17 policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SS1 - Maidstone Borough <br> Spatial Strategy | Updated - major | LPRSS1 - Maidstone Borough <br> Spatial Strategy |
| SP1 - Maidstone Urban Area | Updated - major | LPRSP2 - Maidstone Urban Area |
| SP2 - Maidstone Urban Area: <br> North West Strategic <br> Development location | Updated - major | LPRSP3 - Edge of the Maidstone <br> Urban Area |
| SP3 - Maidstone Urban Area: <br> South East Strategic <br> Development Location | Updated - major | LPRSP3 - Edge of the Maidstone <br> Urban Area |
| SP4 - Maidstone Town Centre | Updated - major | LPRSP1 - Maidstone Town Centre |
| SP5 - Rural Service Centres | Updated - major | LPRSP6 - Rural Service Centres |
| SP6 - Harriestsham Rural <br> Service Centre | Updated - minor | LPRSP6(B) - Harrietsham |
| SP7 - Headcorn Rural Service <br> Centre | Updated - minor | LPRSP6(C) - Headcorn |
| SP8 - Lenham Rural Service <br> Centre | Updated - minor | LPRSP6(D) - Lenham |
| SP9 - Marden Rural Service <br> Centre | Updated - minor | LPRSP6(E) - Marden |
| SP10 - Staplehurst Rural <br> Service Centre | Updated - minor | LPRSP6(F) - Staplehurst |
| SP11 - Larger Villages | Updated - major | LPRSP7 - Larger Villages |
| SP12 - Boughton Monchelsea <br> Larger Village | Deleted | LPRSP8 - Smaller Villages |
| SP13 - Coxheath Larger Village | Updated - major | LPRSP6(A) - Coxheath |
| SP14 - Eyhorne Street <br> (Hollingbourne) Larger Village | Updated - minor | LPRSP7(B) - Eyhorne Street <br> (Hollingbourne) |
| SP15 - Sutton Valence Larger | Updated - minor | LPRSP7(C) - Sutton Valence |
| Village | Yalding Larger Village | Updated - minor |
| SP16 - Yald | LPRSP7(D) - Yalding |  |
| SP17 - Countryside | Updated - minor | LPRSP9 - Development in the <br> Countryside |
| SP18 - Historic Environment | Updated - major | LPRSP14(B) - Historic Environment |
| SP19 - Housing Mix | Updated - minor | LPRSP10(A) - Housing Mix |
| SP20 - Affordable Housing | Updated - major | LPRSP10(B) - Affordable Housing |
| SP21 - Economic development | Updated - minor | LPRSP11 - Economic Development |
| SP22 - Retention of <br> employment sites | Updated - major | LPRSP11(A) - Safeguarding <br> existing employment sites and <br> premises |
| SP23 - Sustainable transport | Updated - minor | LPRSP12 - Sustainable Transport |
| H1 - Housing site allocations | Deleted | N/A |
| H2 - Broad locations for | Deleted |  |
| housing growth |  |  |

* Unlike other site allocations, all OS1 open space allocations are listed under the single policy. Whilst the policy is to be retained in full, the completed OS1 allocations are
struck through as a factual update/minor modification.
Development Management policies

| 2017 LP17 'DM' policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DM1 - Principles of good design | Updated - minor (moved to strategic policies) | LPRSP15 - Principles of good design |
| DM2 - Sustainable design | Updated - minor | LPRQ\&D1 - Sustainable design |
| DM3 - Natural environment | Updated - minor (moved to strategic policies) | LPRSP14(A) - Natural environment |
| DM4 - Development affecting designated and non-designated heritage assets | Updated - minor | LPRENV1 - Historic environment |
| DM5 - Development on brownfield land | Updated - minor | LPRHOU1 - Development on brownfield land |
| DM6 - Air Quality | Updated - minor | LPRTRA1 - Air quality |
| DM7 - Non-conforming uses | Updated - minor (moved to strategic policies) | LPRSP15 - Principles of good design |
| DM8 - External Lighting | Updated - minor | LPRQ\&D2 - External lighting |
| DM9 - Residential extensions, conversions, and redevelopment within the builtup area | Updated - minor | LPRHOU2 - Residential extensions, conversions, annexes and redevelopment in the built-up area |
| DM10 - Residential premises above shops and businesses | Updated - minor | LPRHOU3 - Residential premises above shops and businesses |
| DM11 - Residential garden land | Updated - minor | LPRHOU4 - Residential garden land |
| DM12 - Density of housing development | Updated - minor | LPRHOU5 - Density of residential development |
| DM13 - Affordable local needs housing on rural exception sites | Updated - minor | LPRHOU6 - Affordable local housing need on rural exception sites including first homes |
| DM14 - Nursing and care homes | Updated - minor | LPRHOU7 - Specialist residential accommodation |
| DM15 - Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople accommodation | Updated - minor | LPRHOU8 - Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople accommodation |
| DM16 - Town Centre uses | Updated - minor | LPRCD1 - Shops, facilities and services |
| DM17 - District centres, local centres and local shops and facilities | Updated - minor | LPRCD1 - Shops, facilities and services |
| DM18 - Signage and shop fronts | Updated - minor | LPRQ\&D3 - Signage and building frontages |
| DM19 - Open space and recreation | Updated - minor | LPRINF1 - Publicly accessible open space and recreation |
| DM20-Community facilities | Updated - minor | LPRINF2-Community facilities |
| DM21 - Assessing the transport impacts of development | Updated - minor | LPRTRA2 - Assessing the transport impacts of development |
| DM22-Park and ride sites | Updated - minor | LPRTRA3 - Park and ride |
| DM23 - Parking standards | Updated - minor | LPRTRA4 - Parking |
| DM24 - Renewable and low carbon energy schemes | Updated - minor | LPRINF3 - Renewable and low carbon energy schemes |
| DM25 - Electronic communications | Updated - minor | LPRINF4 - Digital communications and connectivity |
| DM26 - Mooring facilities and boat yards | Updated - minor | LPRTLR1 - Mooring facilities and boat yards |
| DM27 - Primary shopping frontages | Deleted | N/A |
| DM28 - Secondary shopping | Deleted | N/A |


| 2017 LP17 'DM' policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| frontages |  |  |
| DM29 - Leisure and community uses in the town centre | Updated - minor | LPRCD1 - Shops, facilities and services |
| DM30 - Design principles in the countryside | Updated - minor | LPRQ\&D4 - Design principles in the countryside |
| DM31 - Conversion of rural buildings | Updated - minor | LPRQ\&D5 - Conversion of rural buildings |
| DM32 - Rebuilding and extending dwellings in the countryside | Updated - minor | LPRHOU11 - Rebuilding, extending and subdivision of dwellings in the countryside |
| DM33 - Change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden land | Updated - minor | LPRENV2 - Change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden land |
| DM34 - Accommodation for agricultural and forestry workers | Updated - minor | LPRCD3 - Accommodation for rural workers |
| DM35-Live-work units | Updated - minor | LPRCD4 - Live-work units |
| DM36 - New agricultural buildings and structures | Updated - minor | LPRCD5 - New agricultural buildings and structures |
| DM37 - Expansion of existing businesses in rural areas | Updated - minor | LPRCD6 - Expansion of existing businesses in rural areas |
| DM38 - Holiday caravan and camp sites | Updated - minor | LPRTLR2 - Holiday lets, caravan and camp sites |
| DM39 - Caravan storage in the countryside | Retain unchanged* | LPRENV3 - Caravan storage |
| DM40 - Retail units in the countryside | Updated - minor | LPRCD1 - Shops, facilities and services |
| DM41 - Equestrian development | Retain unchanged* | LPRCD7 - Equestrian development |

* These policies, although 'retained unchanged', are published within the main body of the LPR under new headings, ensuring a consistent labelling approach for all LPR development management policies.

Housing site allocation policies

| 2017 LP17 'H1' policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| H1(1) Bridge Nursery London Rd <br> Maidstone | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(2) East of Hermitage Lane | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(3) West of Hermitage Lane | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(4) Oakapple Lane Barming | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(5) Langley Park Sutton Road B. <br> Monchelsea | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(6) North of Sutton Road Otham | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(7) North of Bicknor Wood Gore <br> Court Road Otham | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(8) West of Church Road Otham | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(9) Bicknor Farm Sutton Road <br> Otham | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(10) South of Sutton Road, Langley | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(11) Springfield, Royal Engineers <br> Road and Mill Lane Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(12) 180-188 Union Street <br> Maidstone | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(13) Medway Street Maidstone | Updated - major | LPRSA144 - Medway <br> Street/High Street, <br> Maidstone |
| H1(14) American Golf, Tonbridge Rd | Retain unchanged | N/A |


| 2017 LP17 'H1' policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maidstone |  |  |
| H1(15) 6 Tonbridge Road, Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(16) Slencrest House 3 Tonbridge Road Maidstone | Retain - unchanged | N/A |
| H1(17) Laguna Hart Street Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(18) Dunning Hall (Fremlin Walk) Week Street Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1 (19) 18-21 Foster Street Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(20) Wren's Cross Upper Stone Street Maidstone | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1 (21) Barty Farm, Roundwell, Thurnham | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(22) Whitmore Street, Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(23) Bell Farm, North Street, Barming | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(24) Postley Road, Tovil | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(25) Bridge Industrial Centre Wharf Road Tovil | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(26) Tovil Working Men's Club Tovil Hill | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(27) Kent Police HQ, Sutton Road, Maidstone | Updated - major | LPRSA362 - Maidstone <br> Police HQ |
| H1(28) Kent Police training school, Sutton Road, Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(29) West of Eclipse, Sittingbourne Road | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(30) Bearsted Station, Goods Yard, Bearsted | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(31) Cross Keys Bearsted | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1 (32) South of Ashford Road Harrietsham | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(33) Mayfield Nursery Ashford Road Harrietsham | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(34) Church Road Harrietsham | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1 (35) Old School Nursery Station Rd Headcorn | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(36) Ulcombe Road and Mill Bank Headcorn | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(37) Grigg Lane and Lenham Rd Headcorn | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(38) (Gibbs Hill Farm) South of Grigg Lane Headcorn | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(39) Knaves Acre Headcorn | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(40) Land at Lenham Road Headcorn | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(41) Tanyard Farm, Old Ashford Rd Lenham | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(42) Glebe Gardens Lenham | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(43) Howland Road Marden | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1 (44) Stanley Farm Plain Road Marden | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(45) The Parsonage Goudhurst Rd Marden | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1 (46) Marden Cricket \& Hockey Club Marden | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(47) Land South of The Parsonage Goudhurst Road Marden | Complete - deleted | N/A |


| 2017 LP17 'H1' policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| H1(48) Hen \& Duckhurst Farm Marden <br> Road Staplehurst | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1 (49) Fishers Farm Fishers Road <br> Staplehurst | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(50) Land to the North of Henhurst <br> Farm, Pinnock Lane, Staplehurst | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(51) Hubbards Lane and Haste Hill <br> Rd B. Monchelsea | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(52) Land at Boughton Mount <br> Boughton Lane | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| H1(53) Land at Church St./Heath Rd B. <br> Monchelsea | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(54) Lyewood Farm, Green Lane. B. <br> Monchelsea | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(55) Hubbards Lane Loose | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(56) Linden Farm Stockett Lane <br> Coxheath | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(57) Heathfield Heath Rd Coxheath | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(58) Forstal Lane Coxheath | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(59) Land North Of, Heath Road <br> (Older's Field), Coxheath, Maidstone, <br> Kent, ME17 4TB | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(60) Clockhouse Farm Heath Road <br> Coxheath | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(61) East of Eyhorne Street <br> Hollingbourne | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(62) W of Eyhorne Street <br> Hollingbourne | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(63) Land adj The Windmill Eyhorne <br> Street Hollingbourne | Retain - unchanged | N/A |
| H1(64) Brandy's Bay South Lane <br> Sutton Valence | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(65) Vicarage Road Yalding | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| H1(66) Bentletts Yard Claygate Road <br> Laddingford | Complete - deleted | N/A |

## Broad locations for housing growth policies

| 2017 'H2' LP17 policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| H2(1) Maidstone Town Centre broad <br> location for housing growth | Updated - major | LPRSP1 - Maidstone Town <br> Centre |
| H2(2) Invicta Park Barracks, Maidstone <br> broad location for housing growth | Updated - major | LPRSP5(B) - Invicta <br> Barracks strategic <br> development location |
| H2(3) Lenham | Updated - major | LPRSP5(C) - Lenham broad <br> location for housing growth |

## Employment and Mixed-use site allocation policies

| 2017 LP17 'EMP1' or 'RMX1' <br> policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| EMP1(1) West of Barradale Farm, <br> Maidstone Road, | Retain unchanged | N/A |


| 2017 LP17 'EMP1' or 'RMX1' <br> policy: | What happened? | LPR policy: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Headcorn |  |  |
| EMP1(2) South of Claygate, <br> Pattenden Lane, Marden | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| EMP1(3) West of Wheelbarrow <br> Industrial Estate, Pattenden <br> Lane, Marden | Complete - deleted | N/A |
| EMP1(4) Woodcut Farm, <br> Ashford Road, Bearsted | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| RMX1(1) Newnham Park, <br> Bearsted Road, Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| RMX1(2) Maidstone East and former <br> Royal Mail sorting office, <br> Sandling Road, Maidstone | Updated - major | LPRSA146 - <br> Maidstone East, <br> Maidstone Town Centre |
| RMX1(3) King Street car park <br> and former AMF Bowling Site, <br> Maidstone | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| RMX1(4) Former Syngenta <br> Works, Hampstead Lane, <br> Yalding | Retain unchanged | N/A |
| RMX1 (5) Powerhub building and <br> Baltic Wharf, St Peter's Street <br> Maidstone | Updated - major | LPRSA148 - Maidstone <br> Riverside, Maidstone Town <br> Centre |
| RMX1(6) Mote Road, Maidstone | Updated - major | LPRSA151 Mote Road, <br> Maidstone |

## SECTION B <br> Detailed site allocation policies for residential use

## Policy H1(2) East of Hermitage Lane, Maidstone

## Policy H1 (2)

## East of Hermitage Lane, Maidstone

East of Hermitage Lane, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 500 dwellings at an average density of 40 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. A 15 metres wide landscape buffer will be implemented between the identified area of ancient woodland and the proposed housing development, to be planted as per recommendations detailed in a landscape survey. Development will not be permitted within this area.
2. The root protection area of trees identified as in and adjacent to the area of ancient woodland will be maintained and kept free from development.
3. A buffer will be provided along the north eastern boundary of the site (rear of Howard Drive dwellings), incorporating existing protected trees, the details of which will be agreed with the council.
4. The wooded character of the footpath (KB19) running along the south eastern boundary of the site will be maintained.
5. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of an archaeological survey.

## Access

6. Access to the site will be taken from B2246 Hermitage Lane. Subject to the agreement of junction details, this access will be made in the vicinity of the land opposite the entrance to Hermitage Quarry.
7. An automated bus gate will be provided that allows buses and emergency vehicles to access the site from Howard Drive. Pedestrian and cycle access from Howard Drive will enable permeability to the site.
8. Where ownership of component land parcels differs, access for development purposes will not be impeded to or from these component parcels.

## Air quality

9. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Open space

10. The ancient woodland on the south western boundary of the housing development will be retained as public open space.
11. The linear woodland, extending south and south east from the ancient woodland to the site boundary, will be retained as public open space.
12. The land currently used as a commercial orchard, north west of the restricted byway and extending as far as the borough boundary, will be retained for a combination of community infrastructure and public open space uses.
13. Provision of 12.95 ha of open space within the site comprising 6.62 ha woodland/landscape buffers, 5.41 ha amenity green space, 0.77 ha of allotments (community orchard), 0.15 ha of provision for children and young people and contributions towards outdoor sports facilities at Giddyhorn Lane. Development should maximise the use of the southern part of the site including Bluebell Wood and the "hospital field" for the provision of open space, making best use of existing features within the site.

## Community infrastructure

14. Land will be transferred for primary education use, the details of which will be agreed with the local education authority.
15. A multi-functional community centre will be provided. The use of the north western part of the site (land to the north of the restricted byway and south of the borough boundary) for the siting of community infrastructure is strongly encouraged.

## Highways and transportation

16. A direct pedestrian/cycle path, complementary to the current character of the orchard and open fields, will be provided alongside the western access to site.
17. Contributions will be made towards pedestrian and cycle links to existing residential areas, shops, schools and health facilities, including links through to Howard Drive and Queen's Road via Freshland Road.
18. Provision of pedestrian crossing facilities on Hermitage Lane to the north of the site.

## Strategic highways and transportation

19. Interim improvement to M20 J5 roundabout including white lining scheme.
20. Traffic signalisation of M20 J5 roundabout and localised widening of slip roads and circulatory carriageway.
21. Provision of an additional lane at the Coldharbour roundabout.
22. Capacity improvements at the junction of Fountain Lane and A26.
23. Provision of a circular bus route to serve the north west Maidstone strategic development area.
24. Provision of a new cycle lane along B2246 Hermitage Lane.
25. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Minerals safeguarding

26. This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan (2013-2030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of minerals safeguarding.

## Policy H1(4) Oakapple Lane, Barming

## Policy H1 (4)

## Oakapple Lane, Barming

Oakapple Lane, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 187 dwellings at an average density of 35 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. The hedgerow on the eastern boundary of the site will be retained to form a natural break between housing allocations.
2. The hedgerow along the southern boundary of the site will be enhanced in order to provide a suitable buffer between new housing and existing housing on Rede Wood Road and Broomshaw Road.
3. A 15 metre landscape buffer will be implemented adjacent to the ancient woodland at Fullingpits Wood in the north east of the site.

## Access

4. Primary access will be taken from site H1(3) West of Hermitage Lane.
5. Secondary access will be taken from Rede Wood Road/Broomshaw Road.

## Noise

6. Development will be subject to a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in relation to the operations at Hermitage Quarry.

## Air quality

7. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development

## Open space

8. Provision of 1.5 ha of natural/semi-natural open space in accordance with policy OS1(1) together with any additional on-site provision and/or contributions towards off-site provision/improvements as required in accordance with policy DM19.

## Strategic highways and transportation

9. Interim improvement to M20 J5 roundabout including white lining scheme.
10.Traffic signalisation of M20 J5 roundabout and localised widening of slip roads and circulatory carriageway.
11.Provision of an additional lane at the Coldharbour roundabout.
12.Capacity improvements at the junction of Fountain Lane and A26.
10. Capacity improvements at A20 London Road junction with St, Laurence Avenue (20/20 roundabout)
11. Proportional contributions towards a circular bus route that benefits public transport users in and around the north west strategic location; this route will run via the town centre, B2246 Hermitage Lane, Maidstone Hospital, Howard Drive and the A20 London Road.

## Utility infrastructure

15.A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Policy H1 (8)

## West of Church Road, Otham

West of Church Road, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 440 dwellings at an average density of 35 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. The tree line along the western boundary of the site will be enhanced, to protect the amenity and privacy of residents living in Chapman Avenue.
2. An undeveloped section of land will be retained along the western boundary of the site, to protect the amenity and privacy of residents living in Chapman Avenue.
3. An undeveloped section of land will be retained along the eastern edge of the site in order to protect the setting of St Nicholas Church and maintain clear views of the Church from Church Road.
4. The Church Road frontage will be built at a lower density from the remainder of the site, to maintain and reflect the existing open character of the arable fields on the eastern side of Church Road and to provide an open setting to St Nicholas Church.
5. The hedge line along the eastern boundary of the site with Church Road shall be retained and strengthened where not required for access to the site.
6. Retain non-arable land to the north and east of St Nicholas Church, to protect its setting.
7. Retain discrete section of land at the south east corner of the site to provide a 15 metres wide landscape buffer to ancient woodland (bordering site at this location), to be planted as per the recommendations of a landscape survey.

## Access

8. Access will be taken from Church Road only.

## Air quality

9. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Open space

10.Provision of approximately 2.88 ha of natural/semi-natural open space consisting of 1.4 ha in accordance with policy OS1(16), and 1.48 ha within the site, together with additional on/off-site provision and/or contributions towards off-site provision/improvements as required in accordance with policy DM19.

## Community infrastructure

11.Contributions will be provided towards the expansion of an existing primary school within south east Maidstone to mitigate the impact of the development on primary school infrastructure.

## Highways and transportation

12. Widening of Gore Court Road between the new road required under policy H1(6) and White Horse Lane.

## Strategic highways and transportation

13.Bus prioritisation measures on the A274 Sutton Road from the Willington Street junction to the Wheatsheaf junction, together with bus infrastructure improvements.
14.Improvements to capacity at the junctions of Willington Street/Wallis Avenue and Sutton Road.
15. Package of measures to significantly relieve traffic congestion on Sutton Road and Willington Street.
16. Improvements to capacity at the A229/A274 Wheatsheaf junction.
17.Improvements to frequency and/or quality of bus services along A274 Sutton Road corridor.

## Utility infrastructure

18. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

Policy H1(9) Bicknor Farm, Sutton Road, Otham

## Policy H1 (9)

## Bicknor Farm, Sutton Road, Otham

Bicknor Farm, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 335 dwellings at an average density of 35 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. An undeveloped section of land will be retained on the eastern part of the site to protect the parkland setting of Rumwood Court.
2. The provision of a 15 metre landscape buffer along the site's western boundary adjacent to the ancient woodland at Bicknor Wood.
3. Development should be sited in order to preserve the setting of the listed buildings, Bicknor Farmhouse, in the south west corner of the site, and Rumwood Court to the east.
4. Public footpath KM94 will be retained and improved, continuing the link between Sutton Road and White Horse Lane.

## Access

5. Access will be taken from the A274 Sutton Road.
6. Pedestrian and cycle access will be taken through site H1(6) North of Sutton Road, and to site H1(7) North of Bicknor Wood.

## Noise

7. Development will be subject to a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in relation to the A274 Sutton Road.

## Air quality

8. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Open space

9. Provision of a minimum of 1.23 ha of open space within the site together with contributions towards off-site provision/improvements asrequired in accordance with policy DM19. Open space should be sited to maximise accessibility to new and existing residents.

## Strategic highways and transportation

10.Bus prioritisation measures on the A274 Sutton Road from the Willington Street junction to the Wheatsheaf junction, together with bus infrastructure improvements.
11.Improvements to capacity at the junctions of WillingtonStreet/Wallis Avenue and Sutton Road.
12. Package of measures to significantly relieve traffic congestion on Sutton Road and Willington Street.
13. Improvements to capacity at the A229/A274 Wheatsheaf junction.
14. Connections to the existing cycle network from Park Wood to the town centre, and by upgrading the PROW network to accommodatecycles.
15.Improvements to frequency and/or quality of bus services along A274 Sutton Road corridor.

## Utility infrastructure

16.A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Policy H1(10) South of Sutton Road, Langley

## Policy H1 (10)

## South of Sutton Road, Langley

South of Sutton Road, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 800 dwellings at an average density of 24 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. The majority of the natural/semi-natural open space required by criterion 14 below shall be provided on that part of the site lying to the east of PROW KH364. This area shall also incorporate SuDS surface water drainage mitigation.
2. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a landscape and visual impact assessment undertaken in accordance with the principles of current guidance, with particular emphasis on the Loose Stream/Langley Loch and Langley Church and other heritage assets adjacent to the site.
3. The proposals will be designed and laid-out to provide an appropriate and strong visual relationship between the new development and the hamlet of Langley Park, whilst preserving the setting of the existing listed buildings and protecting the amenity and privacy of existing residential properties.
4. Development should be sited in order to preserve or enhance the setting of the listed buildings surrounding the site.
5. A new pedestrian and cycle route will be provided running east-west from Sutton Road to Brishing Road connecting with the planned route through the adjacent site at Langley Park.
6. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.

## Access

7. Primary access will be taken from the A274 Sutton Road.
8. Secondary access will be taken through site H1(5) Langley Park subject to agreement with the Highways Authority and Borough Council.
9. A separate cycle and pedestrian access will be provided to site $\mathrm{H} 1(5)$ Langley Park subject to agreement with the Highways Authority and Borough Council.

## Noise

10. Development will be subject to a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in relation to the A274 Sutton Road.

## Air quality

11. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Drainage

12. Development proposals will demonstrate that any necessary new or improved foul and surface water including SuDS drainage infrastructure required to serve the development to ensure no increased risk of flooding off-site, will be delivered in parallel with the development, in consultation with Southern Water and the Environment Agency.
13. The provision of appropriate contributions as proven necessary will be sought for the improvement of flood mitigation impacting this site.

## Open space

14. Provision of 14 ha of natural/semi-natural open space in accordance with policy OS1(3) together with any additional on-site provision and/or contributions towards off-site provision/improvements as required in accordance with policy DM19.

## Community infrastructure

15. The development will provide for a primary school within the developable area of the site, the details of which shall be agreed with the local education authority.

## Highways and transportation

16. Provision of a new footway on the northern side of Sutton Road.
17. The provision of additional pedestrian and cycle crossings across the A274 in the vicinity of Langley Church/Horseshoes Lane and in the vicinity of Rumwood Court.

## Strategic highways and transportation

18. Bus prioritisation measures on the A274 Sutton Road from the Willington Street junction to the Wheatsheaf junction, together with bus infrastructure improvements.
19. Package of measures to significantly relieve traffic congestion on Sutton Road and Willington Street.
20. Improvements to capacity at the A229/A274 Wheatsheaf junction.
21. Connections to the existing cycle network from Park Wood to the town centre, and by upgrading the PROW network to accommodate cycles.
22. Improvements to frequency and/or quality of bus services along A274 Sutton Road corridor.

## Utility infrastructure

23. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

Policy H1(11) Springfield, Royal Engineers Road and Mill Lane, Maidstone

## Policy H1 (11)

## Springfield, Royal Engineers Road and Mill Lane, Maidstone

Springfield, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 692 dwellings at an average density of approximately 180 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. A high density scheme will be developed reflecting that the site is in an edge of town centre location. The highest density development should be situated on the north eastern and south eastern parts of the site.
2. The landscaping scheme for the development will reflect the parkland character of the locality.
3. The historic nature of the site should be respected and listed buildings retained dependant on advice given by the Borough Council.

## Access

4. Access will be taken from the A229 Springfield and A229 Royal Engineers roundabouts only.

## Ecology

5. Subject to further evaluation of their value, retain trees subject to a (woodland) tree preservation order as per advice from the Borough Council.

## Air quality

6. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Land contamination

7. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a land contamination survey.

## Open space

8. Provision of approximately 4.8 ha of open space within the site, together with additional on/off-site provision and/or contributions towards offsite provision/improvements as required in accordance with policy DM19.
9. Provision of publicly accessible open space to include the provision of a pocket park to the rear (west) of the existing Springfield Mansion on the former tennis court/car park area in addition to the existing area of public open space shown on the policies map which shall be retained as part of the development and/or contributions.

## Highways and transportation

10.Improvements to and provision of pedestrian and cycle links, to facilitate connections from the site to and through Maidstone town centre.
11.Complementary improvements to the eastern bank of the river towpath for pedestrian and cycle use.

## Utility infrastructure

12.A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Flood risk

13. Residential development should only occur outside flood zone 3 unless appropriate mitigation can be provided

## Minerals safeguarding

14.This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste LocalPlan (2013-2030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of mineralssafeguarding.

## Policy H1(14) American Golf, Tonbridge Road, Maidstone

## Policy H1 (14)

## American Golf, Tonbridge Road, Maidstone

American Golf, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 60 dwellings at an average density of 75 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. A high density scheme will be developed reflecting that the site is in a town centre location.

## Access

2. Access will be taken from the A26 Tonbridge Road only.

## Noise

3. Development will be subject to a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in respect of its town centre location.

## Air quality

4. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Land contamination

5. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a land contamination survey.

Highways and transportation
6. Improvements to and provision of pedestrian and cycle links, to facilitate connections from the site to and through Maidstone town centre.

Note: The council will encourage a joint development with the immediately adjacent Slencrest House site allocated under policy H1(16) to ensure a comprehensive and inclusive design approach.

## Policy H1(15) 6 Tonbridge Road, Maidstone

## Policy H1 (15)

## 6 Tonbridge Road, Maidstone

6 Tonbridge Road, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 15 dwellings at an average density of 150 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. A high density scheme will be developed reflecting that the site is in atown centre location.

## Access

2. Access will be taken from the A26 Tonbridge Road only.

## Noise

3. Development will be subject to a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in respect of its town centre location.

## Air quality

4. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Land contamination

5. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of aland contamination survey.

## Highways and transportation

6. Improvements to and provision of pedestrian and cycle links, to facilitate connections from the site to and through Maidstone town centre.

## Policy H1(16) Slencrest House, 3 Tonbridge Road, Maidstone

## Policy H1 (16)

Slencrest House, 3 Tonbridge Road, Maidstone
Slencrest House, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 10 dwellings at an average density of 67 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and Layout

1. The brick Victorian building 3 Tonbridge Road will be retained to maintain its relationship with no1 Tonbridge Road and to preserve the street scene.
2. The design of any development will reflect the exposed location of the site on the slopes of the Medway Valley in a prominent position overlooking the town centre and will be subject to the results and recommendations of a visual impact assessment that addresses the potential impact of any development from College Road and the All Saints area including the Lockmeadow footbridge.
3. The eastern/south eastern elevation shall be well articulated given the exposed location of the site.
4. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.
5. A high density scheme will be developed reflecting that the site is in a town centre location.

## Heritage

6. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed Heritage Impact Assessment that addresses the archaeological implications arising from the development and in particular the adjacent Roman cemetery site.

## Landscape

7. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed arboricultural survey, tree constraints plan and tree retention/protection plans.

## Contamination

8. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a land contamination survey.

## Noise

9. Development will be subject to a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in respect of its town centre location and the adjacent railway.

## Air Quality

10. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

Note: The council will encourage a joint development with the immediately adjacent American Golf site allocated under policy $\mathrm{H} 1(14)$ to ensure a comprehensive and inclusive design approach.

## Policy H1 (17)

## Laguna, Hart Street Maidstone

Laguna, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 76 dwellings at an average density of 253 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. A high density scheme will be developed reflecting that the site is in an edge of town centre location.

## Access

2. Access will be taken from Hart Street only.

## Air quality

3. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Land contamination

4. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of aland contamination survey.

## Highways and transportation

5. Complementary improvements to the eastern bank of the river towpath for pedestrian and cycle use.

## Utility infrastructure

6. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Minerals safeguarding

7. This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan (2013-2030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of minerals safeguarding.

## Policy H1 (18)

## Dunning Hall (off Fremlin Walk), Week Street, Maidstone

Dunning Hall, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 14 dwellings at an average density of 467 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and Layout

1. The development proposals shall show a building of a maximum of three to four storeys in height.
2. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.
3. The development shall provide for a replacement church hall for the United Reformed Church.
4. The development proposals include a construction management plan given the site's location.

## Heritage

5. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed Heritage Impact Assessment that addresses the impact on adjacent designated and non-designated heritage assets and the archaeological implications of any development.

## Contamination

6. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a land contamination survey.

## Air Quality

7. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Policy H1 (19)

## 18-21 Foster Street, Maidstone

18-21 Foster Street, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 5 dwellings at an average density of 125 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and Layout

1. The development will respect the established 'building line' along Foster Street.
2. Should the development comprise houses these should be no more than two-storeys in height plus basements. Their design shall reflect the strong and unifying detailing of the existing dwellings on Foster Street with projecting bays at ground and basement level, centrally located entrances and the use of contrasting brick banding and quoins. The front gardens shall be bounded by a low brick wall surmounted byrailings.
3. Should the development comprise apartments any block should be no higher than two to three storeys. Its design should also seek to incorporate elements of the unifying detailing currently found in Foster Street as indicated above.
4. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.

## Contamination

5. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a land contamination survey.

## Air Quality

6. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Policy H1 (22)

## Whitmore Street, Maidstone

Whitmore Street, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 5 dwellings at an average density of 50 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. A medium density scheme will be developed reflecting the urban context of this allocation.

## Access

2. Access will be taken from Whitmore Street only.

## Air quality

3. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Land contamination

4. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of aland contamination survey.

## Highways and transportation

5. Improvements to and provision of pedestrian and cycle links, to facilitate connections from the site to and through Maidstone town centre.

## Policy H1 (25)

## Bridge Industrial Centre, Wharf Road, Tovil

Bridge Industrial Centre, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 15 dwellings at an average density of 30 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and Layout

1. A medium-high density scheme reflecting the surrounding area's densities will be developed whilst acknowledging the site's location close to the River Medway and potential flood risk.
2. Development shall provide for a strong visual and functional relationship with the River Medway.
3. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.
Development proposals will address through appropriate design the issue of privacy for the occupiers of existing properties in Wharf Road and The Tail Race.

## Access

4. Vehicular access will be taken from Wharf Road only. A secondary pedestrian and cycle access capable of being used as an emergency access will be provided from Lower Tovil.

## Flooding

5. Development will be designed to take into account the recommendations of a comprehensive flood risk assessment which has been undertaken to a methodology agreed with the Environment Agency. The flood risk assessment must demonstrate measures to address egress and access and measures to reduce local flood risk.
6. Measures are secured to ensure adequate site drainage including through the implementation of sustainable drainage measures.

## Contamination

7. Development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a land contamination survey.

## Air Quality

8. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Community infrastructure

9. Appropriate contributions towards community infrastructure including improvement to medical facilities in Tovil Parish will be provided where proven necessary.

## Policy H1(28) Kent Police training school, Sutton Road, Maidstone

## Policy H1 (28)

## Kent Police training school, Sutton Road, Maidstone

Kent Police training school, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 90 dwellings at an average density of 35 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. A medium density scheme will be developed reflecting the urban context of this allocation.

## Access

2. Access will be taken from Queen Elizabeth Square only.

## Air quality

3. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Open space

4. Contributions towards improvements to Mangravet Recreation Ground, Queen Elizabeth Square play area, sports facilities at Parkwood Recreation ground or Mote Park Adventure Zone and additional on/off-site provision and/or contributions towards off-site provision/improvements as required in accordance with policy DM19.

## Strategic highways and transportation

5. Bus prioritisation measures on the A 274 Sutton Road from the Willington Street junction to the Wheatsheaf junction, together with bus infrastructure improvements.
6. Improvements to capacity at the junctions of Willington Street/Wallis Avenue and Sutton Road.
Package of measures to significantly relieve traffic congestion on Sutton Road and Willington Street.
7. Improvements to capacity at the A229/A274 Wheatsheaf junction.
8. Improvements to frequency and/or quality of bus services alongA274 Sutton Road corridor.

Policy H1(30) Bearsted Station goods yard, Bearsted

## Policy H1 (30)

## Bearsted Station Goods Yard, Bearsted

Bearsted Station Goods Yard, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 20 dwellings at an average density of 40 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and Layout

1. The former Goods Shed and Weighbridge House which are Grade II designated heritage assets shall be restored and retained and as appropriate converted/re-used as part of the development. The development shall provide for an appropriate setting for these buildings.
2. The development shall provide for an increased provision of station parking spaces by a minimum of 10 spaces within the site as part of the proposals.
3. The proposals shall demonstrate that development would not have an adverse impact on the stability of the adjacent development fronting Ware Street on the higher ground to the south and west of the site, in particular the Methodist Church if changes to the existing banking and topography are proposed.
4. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.

## Landscape/Ecology

5. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed arboricultural survey, tree constraints plan and tree retention/protection plans.
6. The development proposals are designed to take into account the result of a phase 1 habitat survey and any species specific surveys that may as a result be recommended, together with any necessary mitigation/enhancement measures.

## Heritage

7. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed Heritage Impact Assessment that addresses the impact of the development on the character and setting of the designated heritage assets within the site and Bearsted conservation area.

## Noise

8. The development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in relation to the adjacent railway line.

## Contamination

9. The development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a land contamination survey.

## Drainage and Flood risk

10.The development will be subject to the results of a detailed flood risk assessment and a surface water drainage strategy that demonstrates that surface water run-off from the site will not lead to an increased risk of flooding off-site.

## Minerals safeguarding

11.This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste LocalPlan (2013-2030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of minerals safeguarding.

## Policy H1(31) Cross Keys, Bearsted

## Policy H1 (31)

## Cross Keys Bearsted

Cross Keys, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 50 dwellings at an average density of 17 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. The western part of the site other than the two existing lock-upgarage sites and the proposed site access road from Cross Keys serving the development shall be maintained free of development as open land as shown on the policies map, to preserve existing heritage assets, in the interests of ecology and biodiversity and to ensure development does not take place in areas subject to flood risk.
2. The development proposals must be accompanied by a detailed long-term management plan for this undeveloped land to be prepared in the interests of preserving the biodiversity and ecology as well as the archaeology within the area, which shall include details of public access, if any, to the land.
3. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.

## Landscape and ecology

4. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a landscape and visual impact assessment undertaken in accordance with the principles of current guidance. The assessment will specifically address the impact of the development on views to and from the North Downs escarpment and from the public access area on the higher land to the south of the site including from PROW KM75 and KM328.
5. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed arboricultural survey, tree constraints plan and tree retention/protection plans.
6. The development proposals are designed to take into account the result of a phase 1 habitat survey and any species specific surveys that may as a result be recommended, together with any necessary mitigation/enhancement measures.

## Heritage

7. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed Heritage Impact Assessment that addresses the impact on adjacent designated and non-designated heritage assets and the archaeological implications of any development.

## Flooding and water quality

8. The submission of a comprehensive flood risk assessment which has been undertaken to a methodology agreed with the Environment Agency. The FRA must demonstrate measures to address egress and access and measures to reduce local flood risk.
9. Measures are secured to ensure adequate site drainage including through the implementation of sustainable drainage measures.

## Air quality

10. Appropriate air quality mitigation measures to be agreed with the council will be implemented as part of the development.

## Access

11. The principal vehicular access to the development shall be taken from Cross Keys.

## Open space

12. Provision of 2.4 ha of natural/semi-natural open space in accordance with policy OS1(5).

## Highways and transportation

13. Improvements to and provision of pedestrian and cycle links to the village centre.

## Utility infrastructure

14. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Minerals safeguarding

15. This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan (20132030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of minerals safeguarding.

## Policy H1 (36)

## Ulcombe Road and Mill Bank, Headcorn

Ulcombe Road and Mill Bank, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 220 dwellings at an average density of 30 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. An undeveloped section of land will be retained along the southern part of the site, in order to restrict development to an area outside of any identified flood zones.
2. Retain and enhance hedges and trees along the northern boundary of the site in order to screen new housing from the adjacent open countryside.

## Access

3. Primary access will be taken from Ulcombe Road.
4. Secondary access will be taken from Ulcombe Road.
5. Emergency/pedestrian and cycle access will be taken from Kings Road.

## Open space

6. Provision of a minimum of 1.5 ha of natural/semi-natural open space within the site together with contributions towards Hoggs BridgeGreen play area. Open space should be sited to maximise accessibility to new and existing residents.

## Highways and transportation

7. Extension of the 30 mph limit and upgrading of road markings on Ulcombe Road, Headcorn.

## Strategic highways and transportation

8. Signalisation of the Kings Road / Mill Bank junction, Headcorn.

## Community infrastructure

9. Sufficient land shall be provided to allow expansion of Headcorn Primary School and transferred to the Local Education Authority (Kent County Council) for primary education use, the details of which will beagreed with the local education authority

## Utility infrastructure

10. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.
11. Emergency/pedestrian and cycle access will be taken from Kings Road.

## Open space

12. Provision of a minimum of 1.5 ha of natural/semi-natural open space within the site together with contributions towards Hoggs BridgeGreen play area. Open space should be sited to maximise accessibility to new and existing residents.

## Highways and transportation

13. Extension of the 30 mph limit and upgrading of road markings on Ulcombe Road, Headcorn.

## Strategic highways and transportation

14. Signalisation of the Kings Road / Mill Bank junction, Headcorn.

## Community infrastructure

15. Sufficient land shall be provided to allow expansion of Headcorn Primary School and transferred to the Local Education Authority (Kent County Council) for primary education use, the details of which will beagreed with the local education authority

## Utility infrastructure

16. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Policy H1(41) Tanyard Farm, Old Ashford Road, Lenham

## Policy H1 (41)

## Tanyard Farm, Old Ashford Road, Lenham

Tanyard Farm, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 145 dwellings at an average density of 30 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. The hedgerow and line of trees along the northern and southern boundaries of the site will be retained and substantially enhanced by new planting in order to protect the setting of the Kent Downs AONB, and to provide a suitable buffer between new housing and the A20 Ashford Road and Old Ashford Road.
2. The function of restricted byway KH433 is to be retained, and consideration given to the safety of future users and occupiers of the development.
3. The development proposals shall be designed so as to create a pronounced vista which would afford a clear view of the Lenham Cross from Old Ashford Rd. The axis of this vista shall be PROW KH433 and shall incorporate substantial public open space including an open drainage channel / swale.
4. Development proposals shall incorporate substantial areas of internal landscaping within the site to provide an appropriate landscape
framework for the site to protect the setting of the Kent Downs AONB. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability reflecting the location of the site as part of the setting the Kent Downs AONB incorporating the use of vernacular materials.
5. The development proposals shall be designed to take into account the results of a landscape and visual impact assessment which should be undertaken in accordance with the principles of current guidance that particularly addresses the impact of development on the character and setting of the Kent Downs AONB.

## Access

6. Access will be taken from Old Ashford Road only.

## Noise

7. Development will be subject to a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in relation to the A20 AshfordRoad.

## Highways and transportation

8. Extension of the 30 mph limit on the Old Ashford Road to the siteand extension of the footway on the northern side of the road.

## Flood risk and drainage

9. Development will be subject to the results of a detailed flood risk assessment and a sustainable surface water drainage strategy that demonstrates that surface water run-off from the site will not lead to an increased risk of flooding off-site.

## Open space

10.Provision of 0.34 hectare of natural/semi-natural open space, otherwise known as the landscape vista, either side of PROW KH433, in accordance with Policy OS1(17) together with additional on-site and/or off-site provision and/or contributions towards off-site provision/improvements as required in accordance with policy DM19.

## Utility infrastructure

11.A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Policy H1 (49)

## Fishers Farm, Fishers Road, Staplehurst

Fishers Farm, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 400 dwellings at an average density of 30 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. Retain and enhance hedges and trees along the northern and eastern boundaries of the site in order to screen new housing from the railway line and adjacent open countryside.
2. The eastern section of the site will be built at a lower density to reflect the existing open character of the countryside beyond.
3. The proposals will be designed to include areas of open space that retain the integrity and connectivity of the existing framework of ponds, hedgerows and trees within the site.

## Access

4. Primary access will be taken from Headcorn Road subject to agreement with the Highways Authority.
5. Secondary and/or emergency access will be taken from Fishers Road subject to agreement with the Highways Authority.
6. Pedestrian and cycle access will be taken from Fishers Road and Hurst Close.
7. Pedestrian and cycle linkages will be provided, to ensure good linksto
existing residential areas and the village centre.

## Noise

8. Development will be subject to a noise survey to determine any necessary attenuation measures in relation to the railway line.

## Open space

9. Provision of a minimum of 4.47 ha of natural/semi-natural open space within the site together with contributions towards off-site provision/improvements required in accordance with policy DM19. Should the site be sub-divided through the development management process proportionate provision/contributions will be required. Open space should be sited to maximise accessibility to new and existing residents.

## Community infrastructure

10.Appropriate contributions towards community strategic infrastructure in particular foul water drainage will be provided where proven necessary so that there is nil detriment to existing infrastructure capacity.

## Highways and transportation

11.Package of measures in north eastern Staplehurst including the provision of a pedestrian and cycle crossing on Headcorn Road, bus infrastructure improvements, extension of the 30 mph speed limit on Headcorn Road.

## Strategic highways and transportation

12.Capacity improvements at the junction of A229, Headcorn Road, Station Road and Marden Road, Staplehurst.
13.Improvements to public and passenger facilities at Staplehurst Rail Station.

## Utility infrastructure

14.A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Policy H1(50) North of Henhurst Farm, Staplehurst

## Policy H1 (50)

## North of Henhurst Farm, Staplehurst

North of Henhurst Farm, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 60 dwellings at an average density of 24 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H1, planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

Design and Layout

1. The northern section of the site only as defined on the policies map, approximately 2.5 ha, will be developed for residential purposes, to ensure the impact on the surrounding landscape is minimised.
2. The southern area as shown on the policies map will be retained undeveloped to provide open space and ecological mitigation areas and where proven necessary allotments and shall link with the ecological/open space area provided for the Oliver Road development.
3. The development will provide pedestrian/cycle path links to PROW KM312 and KM302A to provide enhanced connections to the village centre and facilities.
4. The woodland belt on the site's eastern boundary will be retained and an appropriate buffer to the woodland provided within the development.
5. A buffer of at least 15 m with no development within it shall be provided to the western site boundary with the ecological area secured as part of the development at Oliver Road to the north of the site.
6. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.

## Landscape/Ecology

7. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a landscape and visual impact assessment undertaken in accordance with the principles of current guidance.
8. The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed arboricultural survey, tree constraints plan and tree retention/protection plans.
9. The development proposals are designed to take into account the result of a phase 1 habitat survey and any species specific surveys that may as a result be recommended, together with any necessary mitigation/enhancement measures.

## Access

10. Vehicular access to the site will be from Oliver Road.
11. Emergency access will be via Bell Lane (PROW KM302A), which will require some upgrading.

## Flood risk and drainage

12. Development will be subject to the results of a detailed flood risk assessment and a sustainable surface water drainage strategy that demonstrates that surface water run-off from the site will not lead to an increased risk of flooding off-site.
13. Provision of 1.22 ha of natural/semi-natural open space in accordance with policy OS1(9) together with additional on/off-site provisionand/or contributions towards off-site provision/improvements as required in accordance with policy DM19. Open space should be sited to maximise accessibility to new and existing residents.

## Strategic highways and transportation

14. Capacity improvements at the junction of A229, Headcorn Road, Station Road and Marden Road, Staplehurst.
15. Improvements to public and passenger facilities at Staplehurst Rail Station.

## Utility infrastructure

16. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

Policy H1(52) Boughton Mount, Boughton Lane, Boughton Monchelsea

## Policy H1 (52)

## Boughton Mount, Boughton Lane, Boughton Monchelsea

Boughton Mount, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of approximately 25 dwellings at an average density of 14 dwellings per hectare. In addition to the requirements of policy H 1 , planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and Layout

1. Built development will be restricted to the currently developed area (approx 1.8 ha ) north of the $\mathrm{Ha}-\mathrm{Ha}$ and Folly and will exclude the area of the existing pond.
2. The layout shall show the retention and restoration of the $\mathrm{Ha}-\mathrm{Ha}$, The Folly, the water tower and barn, the walls surrounding the former walled garden and other ragstone walls within the site.
3. The layout shall show the restoration of the parkland/garden associated with the former house containing The Folly and $\mathrm{Ha}-\mathrm{Ha}$ as publicly accessible open space.
4. Any application should be accompanied by a detailed viability assessment and appraisal showing that the development proposed is the minimum necessary to secure criteria 2 and 3 above.
5. An appropriate legal mechanism is entered into to secure the completion of the restoration/renovation works comprised in criteria 2 and 3 at an agreed point in the delivery of the development together with payment of a bond that will be repaid in stages once scheduled works are completed.
6. The proposed layout will retain and reinforce the existing woodland and planting along the site's northern boundary.
7. Development proposals will be of a high standard of design and sustainability incorporating the use of vernacular materials.

## Access

8. Vehicular access to the development shall only be from Boughton Lane.

## Heritage Impact

9. Any application is accompanied by a detailed Heritage and Archaeological Impact Assessment that addresses the elements included in criteria 2 and 3 above and also addresses the archaeological impact/implications of the retained former cellars of the previous house.

## Landscape/Ecology

10.The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a landscape and visual impact assessment undertaken in accordance with the principles of current guidance.
11.The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a detailed arboricultural survey, tree constraints plan and tree retention/protection plans.
12.The development proposals are designed to take into account the result of a phase 1 habitat survey and any species specific surveys that may as a result be recommended, together with any necessary mitigation/enhancement measures.

## Contamination

13. The development will be subject to the results and recommendations of a land contamination survey.

## Drainage and Flood risk

14.The development will be subject to the results of a detailed flood risk assessment and a surface water drainage strategy that demonstrates that surface water run-off from the site will not lead to an increased risk of flooding along the River Loose at The Quarries and downstream from The Quarries.

## Open space

15.Provision of 0.15 ha of natural/semi-natural open space in accordance with policy OS1(14) together with additional on/off-site provision and/or contributions towards off-site provision/improvements as required in accordance with policy DM19. Open space should be sited to maximise accessibility to new and existing residents.

## Strategic highways and transportation

16. Highway improvements at Boughton Lane and at the junction of Boughton Lane and the A229 Loose Road, as proven necessary.

## Utility infrastructure

17. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Detailed site allocation policies for Open Space

Policy OS1 Open space allocations

## Policy OS1

## Open space allocations

The following sites, as shown on the policies map, are identified for the provision of publicly accessible open space to complement the growth identified in the local plan.

| Policy reference | Site name, address | Approx. ha | Open space typology |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (1) | Oakapple Lane, Barming | 1.50 | Natural/semi-natural open space |
| (2) | tangley Park, Sutton Road, Boughton Monchelsea | 7.65 | Informal open space (nature conservation area) |
| (3) | South of Sutton Road, Langley | 14.00 | Natural/semi-natural open space |
| (4) | Kent Police HQ, Sutton Road, Maidstone | 1.60 | Outdoor sportsprovision (3-5 sports pitches) |
| (5) | Cross Keys, Bearsted | 2.40 | Natural/semi-natural open space |
| (6) | South of Ashford Road, Harrietsham | 1.37 | Natural/semi-natural open space |
|  |  | 0.50 | Allotments |
| (7) | Church Road, Harrietsham | 0.91 | Natural/semi-natural open space |
| (8) | The Parsonage, Goudhurst Road, Marden | 2.16 | Natural/semi-natural open space |
| (9) | North of Henhurst Farm, Staplehurst | 1.22 | Natural/semi-natural |
| (10) | North of Lenham Road, Headcorn | 0.10 | open space |
| (11) | South of Grigg Lane, Headcorn | 1.18 | Natural/semi-natural |
| (12) | North of Heath Road (Older's Field), Coxheath | 1.12 | Natural/semi-natural |
| (13) | Heathfield, Heath Road, Coxheath | 0.50 | open space Amenity green space |
| (14) | Boughton Mount, Boughton Monchelsea | 0.15 | Natural/semi-natural |
|  |  |  | open space |
| (15) | Lyewood Farm, Boughton | 0.15 | Natural/semi-natural |

## Detailed site allocation policies for retail and mixed use

## Policy RMX1(1) Newnham Park, Bearsted Road, Maidstone

## Policy RMX1 (1)

Newnham Park, Bearsted Road, Maidstone

Newnham Park, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for a medical campus of up to $100,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$, a replacement retail centre of up to $14,300 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ and a nature reserve. A development brief, to be approved by the council, will detail the way in which medical facilities, retail redevelopment and the nature reserve, together with integral landscaping and supporting infrastructure, are delivered in an integrated and coordinated manner. Planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. Phased provision of a maximum of $100,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of specialist medical facilities set within an enhanced landscape structure of which $25,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ will provide for associated offices and research and development.
2. Provision of a replacement garden centre and replacement retail premises of up to $14,300 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ gross retail floorspace. The retail floorspace shall be confined to the vicinity of the existing footprint of the current retail area as shown on the policies map. New additional non-A1 floorspace will not be appropriate. The retail development should include the provision of a bus interchange and a car park management plan.
3. Creation of a woodland nature reserve of approximately 3 hectares on land to the south east of the site, as shown on the policies map, secured through a legal agreement.
4. Construction of buildings of high quality design in a sustainable form that reflect the site's prime location as a gateway to Maidstone.
5. Mitigation of the impact of development on the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and its setting through:
i. The provision of new structural and internal landscaping to be phased in advance of development to accord with an approved Landscape and Ecological management plan for the site;
ii. The retention and enhancement of existing planting. Wherethe loss of selected existing planting is unavoidable, appropriate compensatory planting must be provided;
iii. The absence of built development within the area shown on the policies map;
iv. The restriction of building heights across the whole site to a maximum of two storeys. Exceptionally a building of up to 4 storeys could be accommodated on the land adjacent to the existing KIMS (phase 1) development to the immediate west of the stream and buildings of up to 3 storeys could be accommodated at the New Cut roundabout entrance to the site;
v. The use of low level lighting; and
vi. The use of green roofs where practical and avoidance of the use
6. For proposals which include retail floorspace additional to the existing $14,300 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$, submission of a sequential sites assessment and a retail impact assessment which demonstrate that the National Planning Policy Framework's sequential and impact tests are met. The retail impact assessment will clearly demonstrate no significant adverse impact on town, district and local centres including those in adjoining boroughs. Large scale retail warehousing style buildings will not be acceptable in this sensitive landscape location.
7. Provision of a landscape buffer of between 15 m and 30 m in width along the northern and eastern boundaries of the site in order to protect Ancient Woodland, with tracts of planting extending into the body of the development.
8. Provision of a landscaped buffer of a minimum 15 m in width on both sides of the existing stream running north-south through the site (minimum 30 m width in total), in order to enhance the amenity and biodiversity of this water body.
9. Submission of a Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment to be approved by the council which includes assessment of the impact of the development on views to and from the Kent Downs AONB.

## Access

10.Vehicular access to the site from the New Cut roundabout, with bus and emergency access from the A249 Sittingbourne Road if required.
11.Enhanced pedestrian and cycle links to the residential areas of Grove Green, Vinters Park and Penenden Heath, and to Eclipse Business Park.
12.Submission of a Travel Plan, to include a car park travel plan, to be approved by the Borough Council.

## Archaeology

13. Provision of a watching archaeological brief in order to protect any heritage assets found on-site.

## Ecology

14. Submission of an ecology survey and detailed mitigation measures.

## Highways and transportation

15.Submission of a full Transport Assessment to identify those off-site highway improvements and sustainable transport measures necessary to serve the development, to be secured in a phased manner by the provision of infrastructure or through contributions by means of a signed legal agreement which is to be completed prior to the commencement of development. Development will contribute, as proven necessary through the Transport Assessment, to the following improvements:
i. Capacity improvements and signalisation of Bearsted


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roundabout and capacity improvements at New Cut roundabout. Provision of a new signal pedestrian crossing and the provision of a combined foot/cycle way between these two roundabouts; ii. Traffic signalisation of the M20 J7 roundabout, widening of the coast bound off-slip and creation of a new signal controlled pedestrian route through the junction; iii. Upgrading of Bearsted Road to a dual carriageway between Bearsted roundabout and New Cut roundabout; iv. Increased frequency of $333 / 334$ route to provide a bus service with 15 minute intervals between the site and the town centre, potentially to include the provision of bus priority measures on New Cut Road to include traffic signals at the junction with the A20 Ashford Road; and v. Improved buss links to the site from the residential areas of Grove Green and Penenden Heath.

\section*{Minerals Safeguarding} 16. This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan (2013-2030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of minerals safeguarding.


Policy RMX1(3) King Street car park and former AMF Bowling Site, Maidstone

## Policy RMX1 (3)

## King Street car park and former AMF Bowling site, King Street, Maidstone

King Street car park and former AMF Bowling site, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for up to $1,400 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ comparison and/or convenience retail floorspace and approximately 53 dwellings. In addition to the requirements of policy H1, planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. The provision of up to $1,400 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of comparison and/or convenience shopping floorspace at ground floor level and up to 53 dwellings. The submission of a retail impact assessment is required which demonstrates that the National Planning Policy Framework's impact test is met.
2. Development is designed to respond to the character and qualities of the conservation area to the north.

## Noise

3. The submission of a noise assessment and the delivery of resultant noise attenuation measures.

## Air quality

4. The submission of an air quality assessment and emissions reduction plan to be agreed with the council.

## Land contamination

5. The submission of a land contamination assessment and the delivery of resultant mitigation measures.

## Public Realm

6. Footpath and public realm improvements on King Street between the junction of Wyke Manor Road and the site.

## Policy RMX1(4) Former Syngenta Works, Hampstead Lane, Yalding

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The council will support the redevelopment of the brownfield Former Syngenta Works Site, as shown on the policies map, provided that a comprehensive scheme of flood mitigation which addresses the identified flood risk will be delivered in association with the development. A comprehensive Flood Risk Assessment which has been undertaken to a methodology agreed by the Environment Agency will be required. The FRA must identify measures to address safe site egress and access and measures to address the flood risk. Contributions may be required for measures to reduce flood risk to dwellings in Yalding.

Subject to the findings of the FRA, potential suitable uses for the site could include employment (B classes), leisure, commuter car parking and open space. Planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met:

## Design and layout

1. Within the site boundary, an area of land to the south (13ha) is to be retained as a nature conservation area.
2. The significant landscape belt which lies to the south of the development area is retained and enhanced to provide a clear boundary to the developed parts of the site, to act as a buffer to the Local Wildlife Site and to screen views of development from the attractive countryside to the south and from the properties in Parsonage Farm Road.
3. The retention and enhancement of the landscape belts along the western boundary of the site, on both sides of the railway line, and along the eastern boundary adjacent to the canalised section of the river, to screen and soften the appearance of the development.

## Access

4. Development should secure public rights of way improvements, including providing an alternative to the 'at grade' pedestrian footpath
crossing the railway.

## Ecology

5. The site lies adjacent to the Hale Ponds and Pastures Local Wildlife Site. A survey which assesses the site's ecological potential must be submitted. Development proposals must provide for the delivery of appropriate habitat creation and enhancement measures in response to the survey findings including the creation and enhancement of wildlife corridors, and, if required, mitigation measures.

## Site drainage

6. Measures are secured to ensure adequate site drainage, including through the implementation of sustainable drainage measures.

## Land contamination

7. Demonstration that contamination of the site resulting from its previous use has been remediated to the satisfaction of the local authority and the Environment Agency.

## Highways and transportation

8. Development will contribute, as proven necessary through a Transport Assessment, to requisite improvements to the highway network.

## Utility infrastructure

9. A connection is provided to the local sewerage system at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in collaboration with the service provider.

## Minerals safeguarding

10. This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan (2013-2030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of minerals safeguarding.

## Detailed site allocation policies for employment

Policy EMP1(1) West of Barradale Farm, Maidstone Road, Headcorn

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West of Barradale Farm, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development of $5,500 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ employment floorspace (B1, B2, B8 use classes). Planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. The proposals incorporate structural landscaping along the north-western boundary of the existing industrial complex to help screen both the existing and proposed development in views from the north.
2. The proposals incorporate substantial, enhanced landscape buffers along the western and south western boundaries of the site to reinforce the separation of the site from development to the south.

## Access

3. Access will be taken from the A274.

## Ecology

4. An ecological assessment of the site is undertaken and the proposals incorporate necessary habitat creation, enhancement and mitigation measures.
5. Landscaping belts should link to one another and to water bodies within the site to provide habitat connectivity.

## Flooding and water quality

6. Surface water run off is managed using sustainable drainage techniques.

## Highways and transportation

7. Provision of a footway along the A274 from the access to the site to connect with the existing footway to the south, and provide pedestrian access to the existing bus stops.

## Minerals safeguarding

8. This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan (2013-2030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of minerals safeguarding.

## Policy EMP1 (2)

## South of Claygate, Pattenden Lane, Marden

South of Claygate, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development $6,800 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ employment floorspace (B1, B2, B8 use classes). Planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design and layout

1. The proposals incorporate a landscaping scheme which enhances the planting along the eastern and southern boundaries to soften the appearance of the development in views from the east and to provide a landscape buffer to the railway line to the south.

## Access

2. Access will be taken from Pattenden Lane only.

## Ecology

3. An ecological assessment of the site is undertaken and the proposals incorporate necessary habitat creation, enhancement and mitigation measures.

## Flooding and water quality

4. Surface water run off is managed using sustainable drainage techniques.

Policy EMP1(4) Woodcut Farm, Ashford Road, Bearsted

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Woodcut Farm, as shown on the policies map, is allocated for development for up to $49,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ mixed employment floorspace (B1a; B1b; B1c; B2; B8). The site will deliver a genuine mix of $B$ class uses in terms of type and range. Office type uses (B1a \& b) will be a vital component of this mix and the site will provide at least $10,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of $\mathrm{B} 1 \mathrm{a} / \mathrm{B} 1 \mathrm{~b}$ floorspace as an absolute minimum. The mixed use employment, landscaping and infrastructure elements will be delivered in an integrated and coordinated manner that respect the site's visual and physical relationship with the Kent Downs AONB. Planning permission will be granted if the following criteria are met.

## Design \& layout

1. The proposals create a spacious parkland setting for development through the addition of substantial internal landscaping which will be sympathetic to the site's countryside context and which will help to break up the
visual appearance of the development, in particular in views from the AONB including through the use of substantial tracts of planting extending into the body of the development to achieve clear visual separation between individual buildings and between parking areas. Buildings will cover not more than $40 \%$ of the developed site area.
2. The development proposals will respect the topography of the site by minimising the need for site excavation.
3. Landscape buffers of at least 35 m in depth are established along the site's boundary to the M20 including a new native woodland shaw at least 15 m to Musket Lane, at least 25 m to the A20 including a planted bund, and at least 30 m along the western boundary, which will also to help secure the setting to Woodcut Farmhouse (Grade II listed) and the amenity of residential properties at Chestnuts and White Heath. Tracts of structural landscaping will extend into development areas of at least 15 m in width.
4. An area of 9 ha to the north and north west of Woodcut Farm is secured as an undeveloped landscape area in the form of open woodland including the addition of a landscape buffer of at least 30 m along the eastern boundary. Future management of this area will be secured by means of legal agreement and maintained in perpetuity.
5. Larger footprint buildings will be accommodated in the field to the east of the stream up to a maximum unit size of $5,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ with building ridge heights not to exceed 12 m . Units should be orientated end-on to predominant views to and from the AONB.
6. Development on the field to the west of the stream comprisessmaller units of up to $2,500 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ footprint. Graded building heights will take account of the site's topography with building ridge heights not to exceed 8 m . On the highest part of the site at and above the 55 m contour line as shown on the policies map, building footprints will be limited to $500 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$. The siting, scale and detailed design of development must have regard to the preservation of Woodcut Farmhouse (Grade II) and its setting.
7. The development proposals are designed to limit their visual impact including through the use of curved roofs on buildings, non-reflective materials, sensitive colouring, green roofs and walls on smaller footprint buildings ( $500 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ and below), and sensitive lighting proposals. Buildings should include active frontage elements incorporating glazing, and address both the A20 and M20.
8. To the east of the stream, land to accommodate a minimum of $7,500 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of floorspace within Use Classes B1a and B1b will be provided. Land sufficient for at least $5,000 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of this floorspace will be provided with vehicular access and all necessary services including drainage and electrical power supply to the boundary of the plot/s prior to the first occupation of any units falling within Use Classes B1c, B2 or B8. The land which is provided for the minimum of $7,500 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of $B 1 a$ and $B 1 b$ will be safeguarded from any other uses until April 2026 or until otherwise allocated through a local plan review.
9. To the west of the stream, land to accommodate a minimum of $2,500 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ of floorspace within Use Classes B1a and B1b will be provided. This land
will be safeguarded from any other uses until April 2026 or until otherwise allocated through a local plan review.

## Landscape and ecology

10.The development proposals are designed to take into account the results of a landscape and visual impact assessment (LVIA) undertaken in accordance with the principles of current guidance. The assessment will specifically address the impact of development on views to and from the Kent Downs AONB escarpment. This will include environmental enhancements of the wider landscape beyond the allocation boundaries through financial contributions using the mechanism of a S106 agreement.
11.The development proposals are designed to take account of the results of a phase 1 habitat survey and any species specific surveys that may as a result be necessary, together with any necessary mitigation and significant enhancement measures.

## Archaeology

12.The proposals are designed to take account of the archaeological interest on the site as revealed through appropriate survey.

## Access

13. Vehicular access to the site will be from A20 Ashford Road.

## Highways and transportation

14. Improvements to capacity at the A20/Willington Street junction.
15.Package of measures to provide bus stops, pedestrian refuges and improvements to the footway on the northern side of the A20 Ashford Road.
15. Development will contribute, as proven necessary through a Transport Assessment, to improvements at the following junctions:
i. The M20 Junction 8 (including the west-bound on-slip and merge);
ii. The A20 Ashford Rd/M20 link road roundabout;
iii. The A20 Ashford Rd/Penford Hill junction;
iv. The A20 Ashford Rd/Eyhorne Street/Great Danes Hotel access; and
v. The Willington Street/A20 Ashford Rd junction.
17.Development will deliver a significant package of sustainable transport measures to secure access to the site by a range of sustainable modes, including the provision of a subsidised bus route, and must be supported by the implementation of a Travel Plan.

## Minerals safeguarding

18.This site falls within the Minerals Safeguarding Areas as shown on the policies map and therefore development proposals will be required to undertake a minerals assessment to assess the viability and practicability
of prior extraction of the minerals resource. The minerals assessment will comply with Policy DM7 of the Kent Minerals and Waste LocalPlan (2013-2030) and any supplementary planning guidance produced by the Minerals Planning Authority in respect of minerals safeguarding.

