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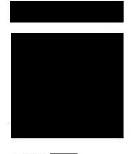
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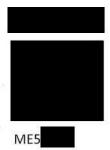
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20th October 2023

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Relocation of ArcelorMittal Kent Wire Ltd

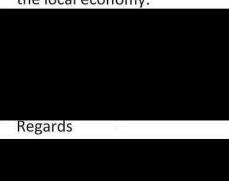
Dear Mr Harris,

I recently learned that Medway Council may relocate ArcelorMittal Kent Wire Ltd, who have been located at Chatham Docks for many years. They are one of our Key Customer and Suppliers, and disruption to our professional relationship could impact negatively on our business. One of the main reasons River Profiles Ltd relocated to Gillingham from Aylesford was to be nearer several of our key Customers. We had to try to operate at 2 sites to keep our business afloat, taking the best part of 2 years to finally settle on the Steelfields Site.

We have already had to make very difficult decisions regarding our Workforce, any further pressure brought about by the inevitable chaos of a customer relocating could cost us dearly.

I appreciate that finance is a the centre of your thinking, and long term there is a goal to increase revenue for Medway Council, is this going to work for Industry in Medway?, how many Jobs are at risk.

I urge you Mr Harris to carefully reconsider the plans before permanent damage is done to the local economy.







Dave Harris Chief Planning Officer Gun Wharf Chatham Kent ME4 4TR

18th October 2023

Dear Sirs



Re: Regulation Consultation - Setting the Direction for Medway 2040

I am writing regarding Chatham Docks which I strongly recommend that Medway Council should retain as a working dock in its new Local Plan for the reason(s) stated below. I have been working in Medway for over 10 years and I sincerely hope that the Local Plan will provide the Docks with the certainty it deserves as an industrial and employment hub going forward.

I understand the clamouring for new homes in Medway but these should not be built at the detriment of the existing valuable jobs. At present, Chatham Docks generates more than £250,000,000 worth of business every year (i.e., a quarter of a billion) for Medway and employs 800 people directly with a further 1,400 through supply chains. Also note that most of these jobs pay well in excess of Medway industries average salaries. Businesses at Medway include steel manufacturer ArcelorMittal Kent Wire, specialist recycling firms such as Street Fuel Itd and ship repairer Total Ship Services and a host of others. And more importantly, the bulk of the workforce at the Docks is mainly local residents which we can't over-emphasise both the necessary balance it provides and also, the significance to their economic wellbeing.

I hate sounding like an environmental alarmist but at this time of climate emergency, it should be noted that Chatham Docks also delivers huge environmental benefits through the transportation of goods by water. There are currently 180 ship movements a year at the Docks that could be greatly increased. If Chatham Docks were to close that would be a massive 300% reduction in air quality. In addition, it would certainly be a travesty to close the only commercial non-tidal basin berth in Kent. And relocating to Sheerness would not be an option given the enormous cost involved.

For all the aforementioned benefits and also, for Chatham landscape architecture, Chatham Docks should be retained as a Docks going forward in the Local Plan. The Docks could be expanded to provide even more manufacturing / employment opportunities if Peel Land & Property stopped land-banking the parts of the Dock it controls for expensive commuter housing.

I therefore strongly urge you to use your good office to ensure that Medway Council retains its existing planning protections in the new Local Plan for Medway which have protected the jobs of the thousands of people who rely on Chatham Docks.

Yours faithfully.



30th October 2023

Dear Mr Harris

Medway Council Chief Planning Officer Gun Wharf Chatham Kent ME4 4TR

We are writing to you in support of ArcelorMittal Kent Wire and all business & Industry that operate from Chatham Docks, in their fight to preserve their existence in the Medway. We have supplied and serviced ArcelorMittal Kent Wire at the docks for over 25 years forming an incredible bond between our 2 companies and an infinity with the docks itself. They are one of our largest and most important customers and them relocating to another port such as Sheerness would have a devastating effect on our business and culminate in forced redundancy to loyal local staff members within our organisation, not to mention the additional environmental impact, increasing our carbon footprint with much longer delivery journeys.

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Surely sustaining and supporting the hugely important steel manufacturing operation at ArcelorMittal Kent Wire, that is key to building London's infrastructure, that employs hundreds of local workers from all backgrounds, should be more important to the local council, preserving jobs for local residence and actively upholding the Medway's traditions and enviable history! That is what local councils are truly allected to do, support the people and businesses that vote them into power and that generate wealth and prosperity for the local community!

Chatham Docks is the lifeline of the local community, generating over £250 million pounds worth of business for the Medway, the docks directly employing 800 local people in highly skilled jobs and 1400 more local jobs are created indirectly through the Docks supply chains.

Chatham Docks provides massive environmental benefits to Medway residents by transporting cargo via water rather than road which creates one of the greenest transporting solutions available to industry, reducing carbon emissions and improving local air quality.

We urge you Mr Harris to expand the manufacturing potential of Chatham Docks, increase the job prospects for your local residence and protect their future prosperity instead of Peel Land & Property land-banking the parts of the dock it controls for expensive commuter housing!



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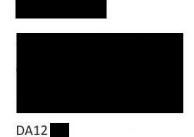
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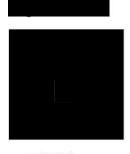
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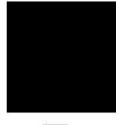
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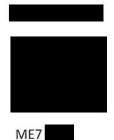
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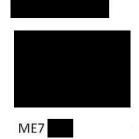
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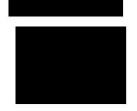
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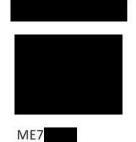
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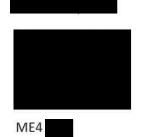
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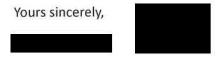
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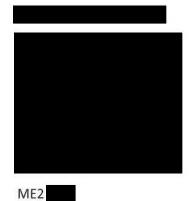
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In the current era of environmental concern, it is noteworthy that Chatham Docks also play a significant role in promoting environmental benefits through the transportation of goods by water. Currently, there are approximately 180 ship movements at the Docks each year, a figure that could potentially be increased in the future. The closure of Chatham Docks would result in a dramatic 300% reduction in air quality, a concern that should not be underestimated. Moreover, the closure would eliminate the only commercial non-tidal basin berth in Kent, and relocating to Sheerness would not be a feasible alternative due to the associated costs.

In summary, it is of utmost importance that Chatham Docks continue to operate as a key element of the Local Plan moving forward. There is potential for expansion at the Docks to facilitate further manufacturing if Peel Land & Property can refrain from reserving parts of the Dock for high-priced commuter housing.

We urgently implore Medway Council to maintain the existing planning safeguards in the new Local Plan for Medway. These safeguards have been instrumental in preserving the livelihoods of the countless individuals who rely on Chatham Docks for their employment and well-being.

Yours sincerely,		



Dear Mr. Dave Harris

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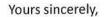
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ME4

19/10/2023

Dear Mr. Dave Harris





I am writing to express my strong support for the inclusion of Chatham Docks as an operational dock in the forthcoming Medway Council Local Plan. With my deep connection to the Medway region, I firmly believe that the Local Plan should prioritize the preservation and expansion of Chatham Docks as a crucial industrial and employment hub.

While the demand for additional housing in Medway is evident, it is essential that this development does not come at the expense of existing jobs. Chatham Docks are a significant contributor to Medway's economy, generating an annual turnover exceeding £250,000,000 and providing direct employment to 800 individuals, along with supporting an additional 1,400 jobs through various supply chains. These positions offer salaries that surpass the Medway average, making them a lifeline for many local residents. Prominent businesses at Chatham Docks include ArcelorMittal Kent Wire, specialized recycling firms like Street Fuels, ship stevedoring services such as Total Ship Services, and several ship repair companies. The majority of the Docks' workforce comprises local residents.

In our current era of heightened environmental awareness, it is essential to recognize that Chatham Docks also play a significant role in delivering environmental benefits through the transportation of goods by water. Currently, there are around 180 ship movements at the Docks each year, a number that holds significant potential for future growth. The closure of Chatham Docks would result in a significant 300% reduction in air quality, a matter of profound concern. Furthermore, the closure would eliminate the only commercial non-tidal basin berth in Kent, and relocating to Sheerness would not be a practical alternative due to the associated costs.

In summary, it is of paramount importance that Chatham Docks continue to operate as a central element of the Local Plan moving forward. There is potential for the Docks to expand to

accommodate additional manufacturing activities, provided that Peel Land & Property refrains from reserving parts of the Dock for high-priced commuter housing.

We respectfully implore Medway Council to maintain the existing planning safeguards in the new Local Plan for Medway, which have been instrumental in preserving the livelihoods of the numerous individuals who rely on Chatham Docks for their employment and well-being.







Dear Mr. Dave Harris

Re: Support for Chatham Docks in the Medway Council Local Plan

I am writing to express my strong support for the inclusion of Chatham Docks as an operational dock within the forthcoming Medway Council Local Plan. With a long history in the Medway region, I believe it is vital that the Local Plan secures the future of Chatham Docks as a critical industrial and employment centre.

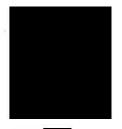
While the need for additional housing in Medway is undeniable, it is essential that such developments do not come at the expense of existing jobs. Chatham Docks play a substantial role in Medway's economy, generating an annual turnover of over £250,000,000 and offering direct employment to 800 individuals, with an additional 1,400 jobs being supported through various supply chains. These positions offer salaries that exceed the Medway average, making them a significant source of income for many local residents. Among the noteworthy businesses at Chatham Docks are ArcelorMittal Kent Wire, specialized recycling firms such as Street Fuels, ship stevedoring services like Total Ship Services, and several ship repair companies. The workforce at the Docks is primarily composed of local residents.

In our current era of heightened environmental awareness, it is important to recognize that Chatham Docks contribute to environmental benefits through the transportation of goods by water. Currently, there are approximately 180 ship movements at the Docks each year, a number that holds the potential for future growth. The closure of Chatham Docks would lead to a significant 300% reduction in air quality, a matter of significant concern. Additionally, the closure would eliminate the only commercial non-tidal basin berth in Kent, and relocating to Sheerness would not be a feasible alternative due to the associated costs.

In summary, it is of utmost importance that Chatham Docks remain operational as a pivotal component of the Local Plan moving forward. There is potential for the Docks to expand to accommodate additional manufacturing activities, provided that Peel Land & Property refrains from reserving parts of the Dock for high-cost commuter housing.

We respectfully urge Medway Council to maintain the existing planning safeguards in the new Local Plan for Medway. These safeguards have played a crucial role in safeguarding the livelihoods of the many individuals who depend on Chatham Docks for their employment and well-being.







ME7

19/10/2023

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In the current era of environmental concern, it is noteworthy that Chatham Docks also play a significant role in promoting environmental benefits through the transportation of goods by water. Currently, there are approximately 180 ship movements at the Docks each year, a figure that could potentially be increased in the future. The closure of Chatham Docks would result in a dramatic 300% reduction in air quality, a concern that should not be underestimated. Moreover, the closure would eliminate the only commercial non-tidal basin berth in Kent, and relocating to Sheerness would not be a feasible alternative due to the associated costs.

We urgently implore Medway Council to maintain the existing planning safeguards in the new Local Plan for Medway. These safeguards have been instrumental in preserving the livelihoods of the countless individuals who rely on Chatham Docks for their employment and well-being.

