

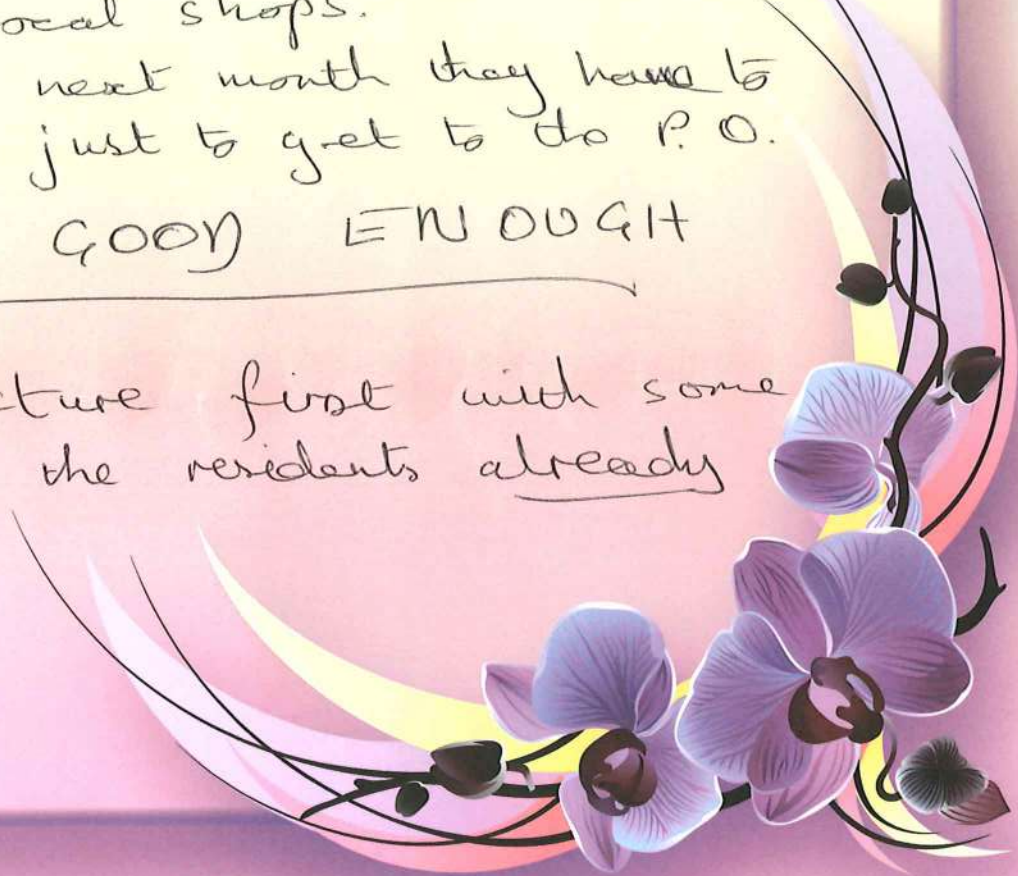
You are preparing to change the road layout at High St. / Mierscount Rd. When I asked where the bus will be re-routed to, Arriva knew nothing about it. A day later, they emailed me the new routes.

No one has considered the 30+ elderly (over 80) people living in Active elderly units nearby. Bad enough but necessary we have to have the noise & disruption. But no thought to the fact that these people use the bus not just for the towns & Sava but just to get them to the local shops.

For the next month they have to buy taxis just to get to the P.O.

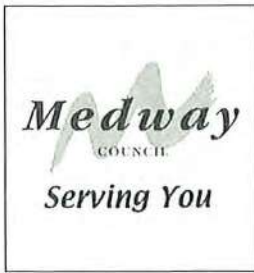
NOT GOOD ENOUGH

Infrastructure first with some thought to the residents already here.



21 JUL 2025

Model Representation Form for Local Plans



Local Plan Publication Stage Representation Form

Ref:

(For
official
use only)

Name of the Local Plan to which this
representation relates:

Medway Local Plan

Please return to Medway Council Planning Service by 11th August 2025

Email: planning.policy@medway.gov.uk or post to:

Planning Policy, Medway Council, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham, Kent ME4 4TR

This form has two parts –

Part A – Personal Details: need only be completed once.

Part B – Your representation(s). Please fill in a separate sheet for each
representation you wish to make.

Part A

1. Personal Details*

2. Agent's Details (if applicable)

**If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation (if applicable)
boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.*

Title	MS	
First Name	JILL	
Last Name	REES	
Job Title (where relevant)	RETIRED	
Organisation (where relevant)		
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Line 2		
Line 3		
Line 4		
Post Code	ME8 [REDACTED]	
Telephone Number	[REDACTED]	
E-mail Address (where relevant)		

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or Organisation:

3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

Paragraph Policy Policies Map

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :

4.(1) Legally compliant	Yes	<input type="text"/>	No	<input type="text"/>
4.(2) Sound	Yes	<input type="text"/>	No	<input type="text"/>
4 (3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes	<input type="text"/>	No	<input type="text"/>

Please tick as appropriate

5. Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

No mention of wildlife. We need houses yes – for local families expanding – not outsiders. Infrastructure first though. Rainham 'Centre' is outrageously lacking for more properties to be included.

(Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if necessary)

6. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified at 5 above. (Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why each modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

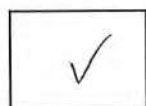
Wider better roads. More hospital facilities Rainham needs one of its own. Sort out Rainham 'Centre' before adding more burdens. Lower shop rents to get better shops and better people will follow. The army of "hairstressors" vapers etc should be outlawed.

we outbowed. We have enough nail barn
too. Why is the (Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if necessary)
P.O. not in precinct? Car park
charges have killed what good there
was. Much better roads needed.

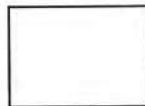
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After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he or she identifies for examination.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?



No, I do not wish to participate in hearing session(s)



Yes, I wish to participate in hearing session(s)

Please note that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.

8. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

I do not wish to go to hearing session because: Nothing is being done to Rainham 'High St' to support new builds or people already here except cheap shops for non workers.
The deals are done this is a tick box exercise as usual

Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters and issues for examination.

For details of our data privacy policy please see:

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05 AUG 2025

ME2

4 August 2025

Planning Policy Team and Planning Inspector
Regeneration Culture, Environment and Transformation
Medway Council
Gun Wharf, Dock Road
Chatham
Kent
ME4 4TR

Dear Sir/Madam

As a long standing resident of Cobb Close of 48 years I am writing to object to the building development on Green Belt land with reference to Strood West. This Green Belt land is prime agricultural land of the highest grade which feeds us all.

The site falls within the Metropolitan Green Belt the purpose of which is to prevent urban sprawl.

The pipeline that carries aviation fuel from the Isle of Grain up to Gatwick Airport and Heathrow Airport is only 60 metres from our rear garden and this could be highly dangerous with the activities of heavy lorries and mechanical diggers going to and fro from the site. Even if the pipeline was empty the gases in the line would be enough to cause an explosion if the pipeline was fractured. It only takes a spark which I find quite alarming.

Flooding at the end of Rede Court where it meets Beaufort Road when we have heavy rain the road is always flooded from one side to the other side. If the Green Belt Land adjacent to Beaufort Road is concreting over it will make the flooding worse, more traffic congestion more pollution. It will only add further to the infrastructure and management problems of the towns and in particular to the adjoining neighbourhood

I ask that you reject this application.

Yours faithfully

Brian Clark

07 AUG 2025

ME2

Tel.

MEDWAY COUNCIL

1115 MEF

13 AUG 2025

ACTION:

INITIALS

4th August, 2025.

Ref. Medway Local Plan 2041. Summary
Booklet; Regulation 19, Page 10.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I accept it is important to have a plan for local development rather than piecemeal development by developers taking place. However it is vital that new development takes place in the right places in Medway.

I begin my letter by observing that a number of Brownfield sites could be used in this locality for development, for example the large area of land in front of Strood Railway Station bordering the river Medway served by Canal Road, the old Council office site next to Rochester Bridge and the land surrounding the recently vacated Coach and Horses Public House in Gravesend Road, Strood.

Next the proposed development for West Strood is in addition to the already proposed development for 800 houses between the Lower Rochester Road and Higham Road, bordering the A 289 (the Wainscott bypass road), also the Dillywood Lane Garden Centre development, despite

the narrowness of Dillywood Lane (single track for most of its length).

This proposed development is large (4000 houses) which obviously is going to create congestion on the local roads, particularly at the junction of Lower Rochester Road with Brompton Farm Road/Hollywood Lane (the two mini roundabouts junction) which already has problems at rush hour time.

I fail to see why the land in question has lost its Green Belt status when it is actively used for agriculture producing valuable crops. It is good quality farmland.

I am also concerned about the effect that the proposed development is going to have on the Medway Maritime Hospital and the local GP surgeries which are all overloaded with high patient numbers.

I also will point out that buildings in the vicinity of the A289 will be a noisy environment to live in and poor air quality could be of concern.

The land in question is also crossed by a high pressure gas pipeline, an oil pipeline and a water main pipeline which will limit the area for buildings.

Finally I note that certain areas in the Local Plan have not been considered for any further development at all for example Cuxton and Helling where land is available. Why is this the case?

In conclusion I consider that Medway Council must make changes to this Local Plan so that the quality of our environment is kept to a high standard for the enjoyment of all. I will assume that you will pass on this letter to the Planning Inspector to read. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

N. B. Chapman.

Edward Atkinson

ME3

Medway Council
Planning Department

9 August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

Local Plan

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With regards,

Yours sincerely

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Yours sincerely


Linda Atkinson

Rehman Chishti

ME8

Medway Local Plan Consultation 2025
Consultation

10 August 2025

Dear Sirs,

Re. Representations on the Medway Local Plan Consultation 2025.

I am writing to you further to my previous representations on Medway Council's draft local plan (during my time as Member of Parliament for Gillingham and Rainham), and in the previous consultation in 2024.

As the Medway Local Plan is looking at a strategy that meets the needs of Medway residents for the future, I was disappointed to note that your draft local plan does not include, the provision of a site for a New Hospital for Medway, and the Houses, being proposed in Gillingham & Rainham, in Particular at Rainham Orchards, and in Capstone Valley, destroy much cherished Green Spaces, severe environmental impact and the infrastructure is not appropriate, be that transport, school, healthcare to support such large scale developments, and in my view the plan proposed is not sound.

A New Hospital for Medway

Medway Maritime Hospital serves the busiest A&E Department in Kent, and with an increasing population and people living longer, it is vital that Medway Council has a site identified for a new hospital. The current Hospital caters for around half a million population covering Medway and Swale, and in my view is too small, to cater for this existing population, and future growth in population, proposed in the local plan, and the impact of the Lidsing Development by Maidstone on Medway.

Please find attached a petition, which I have organised with another local resident and a local Surgeon Professor Shetty, asking Medway Council to Identify a Site in the Local Plan, for a New Hospital. We would both like to give evidence at a future inquiry which looks at the local plan.

Protection of Green Spaces:

Gillingham & Rainham is one of the most densely populated constituencies in Kent and it is vital that green spaces, be that the Capstone Valley in Hempstead, or east of Rainham covering the Orchards, are protected from development.

I strongly oppose the proposals to build over 750 homes on the Rainham Orchards, this is the wrong location, for this size of development, and the local infrastructure can not support such development. The Independent Inspector, previously rejected this site for development, and Medway Council supported that decision, nothing has changed since, and I urge Medway Council, not to build on this site, noting all the previous reasons given for not building on this site, lack of infrastructure, covering transport, schools, health care needs, environmental concerns, and the need to protect our local Green Spaces.

I also strongly object to the proposals to build near 4000 homes on Capstone Valley, which again will destroy our green spaces, have immense impact on the environment, and the proposed number of Houses near 4000, do not have the adequate infrastructure (transport, schools, healthcare) to support such large House building project. The area will already be severely impacted by the Large Lidsing Housing Development by Maidstone Council, with local services coming in from Medway.

Future housing needs should be met in tandem with all necessary and appropriate supporting infrastructure including hospital capacity and healthcare, schools, roads, and transport needs.

Top-down housing targets by central government without regard for local demographics such as in Gillingham & Rainham which is very densely populated should not be the way forward.

Gillingham in the regeneration of brownfield sites now has the excellent large-scale Victory Pier development, which alongside appropriate

supporting infrastructure meant that Gillingham & Rainham played its part in meeting local housing needs.

Faith Places of Worship:

Provision for all Faith Communities to have adequate space for worship I specifically refer to the need for the local Hindu community in Gillingham & Rainham who are looking for a site for a temple.

A new stadium site for Gillingham Football Club

The local football club, Gillingham FC, are a key part of our local community, and as before can reach higher Football Leagues and beyond, if they are to achieve their true potential and achieve top-tier football they will need a site for a new stadium, identified in the plan.

Yours sincerely

Rehman Chishti





ME8

30 July 2025

Dear Sir

Medway Local Plan 2041

How long is it expected that this Plan will be valid for? It is due to be delivered to the Department for Housing, Communities and Local Government in November. The proposed Plan for the reorganisation of Kent into 3 Unitary Authorities with Medway combining with Dartford, Gravesham and Swale as one of them is also due to be delivered to the same Department in November.

I attended one of the public information sessions but left feeling disappointed and disillusioned. The exhibits were enlarged versions of those shown in the Summary document handed out on arrival. The maps are overcomplicated with multiple coloured blobs and symbols superimposed on faint outlines of the area showing the current road network but without any identifiers, thus making them difficult to interpret, even for those familiar with the area. The supporting document which can only be found online is not one designed to be read by the general public.

Unlike the 2035 Medway Regeneration Plan published a couple of years ago this Plan is neither readable or has a vision or strategy. The Plan seems to be limited to where large housing estates can be built on predominantly greenfield sites accessible currently by narrow country lanes. A significant number of these houses are to be built on land to the south of the River Medway with new employment to the north of the river (Kingsnorth and Grain).

There appears to be no strategy for improvements to public transport. Chatham Waterside bus station is already too small for the current population and the number of buses and companies using it. Its design offers little protection from the elements or for safe pedestrian access to the shops, and increasing its size is constrained by the buildings surrounding it. Bus rail interchange hubs are either poorly designed or non-existent. Visiting the hospital in the evening or on a Sunday can be difficult or not possible by bus from some parts of Medway. Unless there are improvements to the road network, both to and within the new housing estates, it is probable that public transport is not viable.

The Plan appears to rely on small parades of local shops on the new housing estates to meet the retail requirements for the increased population. For a predominantly car owning population, accessing the main town centre shops will become increasingly difficult with many of the current car parks considered to be brown field sites, already or planned to be, used for housing.

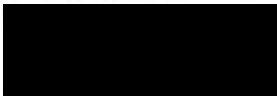
There doesn't appear to be a plan for where future health services are to be located. The current number of healthy living centres need to be increased with adequate parking and accessible by public transport. The Plan indicates that a new hospital will not be built in the current time frame. The current location of Medway Maritime hospital prevents the building from being expanded and its accessibility is not ideal. It is unlikely to be able to cope with the proposed increase in Medway's population and that of Sittingbourne and

Sheppey as well as the population of housing in Capstone and Lidsing which fall into the Maidstone district council area. The Plan does not show where a possible new hospital could be built in the future.

Changing Medway City estate from a business employment area to one of residential will surely reduce the extra employment opportunities needed as the deposed businesses will either leave the Medway area or move to Kingsnorth.

Capstone Valley will become a large housing estate with a significant proportion of the housing to be built on land within the boundary of Maidstone local authority as is the road from North Danes Way to Junction 4 on the M2. The Plan does not show the additional 2000 houses proposed to be built by Maidstone council at Lidsing. The new secondary school will be mainly for pupils from Maidstone area. Hempsted Valley retail outlet is constrained by the surrounding housing and Elm Court Farm is a garden centre limited by local roads.

The development in Lower Rainham is similar to the one rejected by the council in 2020. The addition of a new secondary school to be built alongside the railway will compound the problems which caused the previous plan to be rejected. The addition of 1500 pupils and staff is likely to cause gridlock at the Pump Lane Beechings Way junctions because of the other schools in the immediate area (Rainham Mark grammar, Thames View primary, The Howard and Rainham Girls schools). The safety of pedestrians and traffic through the narrow railway bridge is of concern as is the future on street parking problem caused by parents picking up their children or Year 13 pupils driving to school.



David Rutt

08 AUG 2025

Professor Anan Shetty

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] .ME7 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Date: 6th August 2025

To

Planning Policy Team
Medway Council
Gun Wharf
Dock Road
Chatham
ME4 4TR

Cllr David Brake

Cllr Adrian Gulvin

Medway Council
Gun Wharf
Dock Road
Chatham
ME4 4TR

Subject: Request for Allocation of Land for a New NHS Elective Surgery Hospital in Medway

Dear Councillors Brake and Gulvin,

I am writing to you to express a pressing concern shared by many residents of Medway regarding the current capacity of our local healthcare infrastructure, and to request your support in allocating land for the development of a new NHS hospital dedicated to elective surgery.

As you are aware, the population of Medway has grown significantly in recent years and is projected to continue on this upward trend. Unfortunately, the existing Medway Maritime Hospital is increasingly stretched beyond capacity, struggling to meet both emergency and elective care needs. This is impacting patient outcomes and increasing wait times for non-urgent but essential procedures.

To address this, I propose the construction of a new NHS facility in Medway focused exclusively on elective surgeries and planned procedures, allowing the existing hospital to concentrate on emergency and acute care. Such a model would not only help reduce waiting lists and enhance patient experience but also improve clinical outcomes by streamlining services in purpose-built environments.

I kindly request that Medway Council consider allocating suitable land for this essential development and work in partnership with NHS authorities and stakeholders to ensure that our community has access to the modern, fit-for-purpose healthcare facilities it urgently needs.

This strategic expansion of healthcare infrastructure would be a vital investment in the long-term wellbeing of our growing population and a legacy of forward-thinking civic leadership.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further and look forward to your support.

Yours sincerely,


Professor A A Shetty

WE THE UNDERSIGNED URGE MEDWAY COUNCIL TO IDENTIFY A SITE IN THE LOCAL PLAN FOR A NEW HOSPITAL FOR MEDWAY

Petition Calling for a New Hospital for Medway

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BRIAN CREASEY	ME7 [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
E/anne Mark	ME7 [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
M. Holderness	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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Boma Briggs	[REDACTED]		
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N. [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
Tony Collins	[REDACTED]		

Rosemary
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Faith Dykes	[REDACTED] ME7		
Luke Frickey	[REDACTED] ME7		
Martin Dykes	[REDACTED] ME7		
Helvin Hall	[REDACTED]		
PAUL BROWN	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]

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EDWARD BARNES	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Ron Edwards	[REDACTED] ME7	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
OTIS BROWN	[REDACTED] ME7	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
BARBARA COLEMAN	[REDACTED] ME7	N/A	[REDACTED]
ESTHER SHERET	[REDACTED] ME3	N/A	[REDACTED]

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We thank the Member of Parliament for Gillingham and Rainham and other stakeholders in their efforts to secure a mass vaccination centre for Medway which opened in 2021 providing for the urgent need of the wider community.

We support the call for a new hospital for Medway.

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