Examination in Public – Phase 2 - Matter 9 - MLD's Responses to the Planning Inspectors Questions

Below are Medway Liberal Democrats' (MLD) responses and/or opinions to the questions raised by the planning inspectors in regard to Matter 9 in the Phase 2 Hearings (MLP/ED35).

Number	Additional Points and/or additional questions raised
	Matter 9 - Transport
9.0	**Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA)**
	Policy DM15: Monitoring and Managing Vehicle Trip Generation
9.9	Is a regional public transport access card (similar to Oyster Card) going to be introduced to increase usage of public transport and decrease private vehicle trips?
	DM17 Grain Branch
9.32 (a)	Is the council going to apply for reservation of land required for the Higham Curve?
9.32 (b)	In the branch line proposal, a loop is proposed near Cooling Street and the plan shows land reservation for the loop. Shall the reservation of land last for the whole period of proposed plan? With the need for loop there is the opportunity for a new station at Cooling Street (which aligns with loop). Can the council increase the reserved plan area to include for a station at this location as part of the branch line improvement?
9.34 (a)	Why don't the proposals take the line beyond Hoo all the way to Grain to enable the possibility of all the peninsula population possible access to rail services? Note: when the line carried passengers there were stations at Cliffe, High Halstow, Hoo & Middle Stoke
9.34 (b)	Does the plan include policies designed to secure the develop document and use of land in the Borough which contributes to the mitigation of, and adaptation to, climate change as required by Section 19 [1A] of the PCPA?
	T22 Marinas and Moorings
9.47	Is additional capacity for house boats required along the Medway Estuary?