

**Medway Council: Medway Local Plan 2041 - Examination In Public**

**Venue:** St John's Chatham, 18 Railway Street, Chatham ME4 4JT

**DRAFT HEARING PROGRAMME (v4). 10.9.26**

**PHASE 1 HEARINGS: Weeks Commencing 14 & 21 September 2026**

| <b>Week 1</b>                     | <b>AM Hearing Session<br/>(9.30am – 1pm)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>PM Hearing Session<br/>(2pm – 5pm)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Day 1<br/>Tues<br/>15 Sept</b> | <p><b>Inspectors Opening (10am start)</b></p> <p><b>Matter 1: Legal and Procedural Matters</b></p> <p><i>Medway Council</i><br/> <i>Bellway Strategic Land (DHA)</i><br/> <i>Brookworth Homes (Parker Dunn)</i><br/> <i>Catesby Strategic Land Ltd (Neame Sutton)</i><br/> <i>CPRE Kent</i><br/> <i>Gladman Developments</i><br/> <i>Hallam Land (David Lock)</i><br/> <i>Save Hoo Peninsula &amp; High Halstow Parish Council (Richard Buxton Solicitors)</i><br/> <i>Hoo Consortium (Sponden Estates Land &amp; Planning)</i><br/> <i>Kent SME Network (Esquire Developments)</i><br/> <i>Peel Waters (P4 Planning)</i><br/> <i>Rice Ltd &amp; Mr Kevin Rice (DHA Planning)</i></p> <p><b>Matter 2: Vision, Strategic Objectives &amp; Spatial Development Strategy</b> (may start in AM session)</p>                                                                                                                                                             | <p><b>Matter 2: Vision, Strategic Objectives &amp; Spatial Development Strategy (contd.)</b></p> <p><i>Medway Council</i><br/> <i>Barratt David Wilson (Iceni Projects)</i><br/> <i>Bellway Strategic Land (DHA)</i><br/> <i>Catesby Strategic Land Ltd (Neame Sutton)</i><br/> <i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br/> <i>City of Rochester Society</i><br/> <i>CPRE Kent</i><br/> <i>Gladman Developments</i><br/> <i>Hallam Land (David Lock)</i><br/> <i>Save Hoo Peninsula &amp; High Halstow Parish Council (Richard Buxton Solicitors)</i><br/> <i>Hoo Consortium (Sponden Estates Land &amp; Planning)</i><br/> <i>Kent SME Network &amp; Esquire Developments</i><br/> <i>Nightingale Homes Ltd (Tetlow King)</i><br/> <i>Scotline Ltd</i><br/> <i>Taylor Wimpey Strategic Land (Stantec)</i><br/> <i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i><br/> <i>Veetee Rice Ltd &amp; Mr Kevin Rice (DHA Planning)</i></p>                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Day 2<br/>Wed<br/>16 Sept</b>  | <p><b>Matter 3: Meeting Housing Needs (excl. Gypsy &amp; Traveller Matters)</b><br/>(Policies: T2 – T9, T11)</p> <p><i>Medway Council</i><br/> <i>Barratt David Wilson (Iceni Projects)</i><br/> <i>Bellway Strategic Land (DHA)</i><br/> <i>Catesby Strategic Land Ltd (Neame Sutton)</i><br/> <i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br/> <i>City of Rochester Society</i><br/> <i>CPRE Kent</i><br/> <i>Gladman Developments</i><br/> <i>Hallam Land (David Lock)</i><br/> <i>Home Builders Federation</i><br/> <i>Hoo Consortium (Sponden Estates Land &amp; Planning)</i><br/> <i>Kent SME Network &amp; Esquire Developments</i><br/> <i>Mr Peter Lowe</i><br/> <i>Nightingale Homes Ltd (Tetlow King)</i><br/> <i>Peel Waters (P4 Planning)</i><br/> <i>Redrow Homes Ltd (Marrons)</i><br/> <i>Taylor Wimpey Strategic Land (Stantec)</i><br/> <i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i><br/> <i>Veetee Rice Ltd &amp; Mr Kevin Rice (DHA Planning)</i></p> | <p><b>Matter 3: Meeting Housing Needs (excl. Gypsy &amp; Traveller Matters) (contd.)</b><br/>(Policies T2 – T9, T11)</p> <p><i>Medway Council</i><br/> <i>Barratt David Wilson (Iceni Projects)</i><br/> <i>Bellway Strategic Land (DHA)</i><br/> <i>Catesby Strategic Land Ltd (Neame Sutton)</i><br/> <i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br/> <i>City of Rochester Society</i><br/> <i>CPRE Kent</i><br/> <i>Gladman Developments</i><br/> <i>Ms Natalie Hale</i><br/> <i>Hallam Land (David Lock)</i><br/> <i>Home Builders Federation</i><br/> <i>Hoo Consortium (Sponden Estates Land &amp; Planning)</i><br/> <i>Kent SME Network &amp; Esquire Developments</i><br/> <i>Mr Peter Lowe</i><br/> <i>Nightingale Homes Ltd (Tetlow King)</i><br/> <i>Peel Waters (P4 Planning)</i><br/> <i>Redrow Homes Ltd (Marrons)</i><br/> <i>Richborough (Pinnacle Planning)</i><br/> <i>Taylor Wimpey Strategic Land (Stantec)</i><br/> <i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i><br/> <i>Veetee Rice Ltd &amp; Mr Kevin Rice (DHA Planning)</i></p> |

|                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Day 3<br/>Thur<br/>17 Sept</b> | <b>Matter 4: Built Environment</b><br>(Policies T1, DM5 - DM11, S8 and S9)<br><br><i>Medway Council</i><br><i>Esquire Development</i><br><i>Nightingale Homes Ltd (Tetlow King)</i><br><i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Matter 4: Built Environment (contd.)</b><br>(Policies T1, DM5 - DM11, S8 and S9)<br><br><i>Medway Council</i><br><i>Esquire Development</i><br><i>Nightingale Homes Ltd (Tetlow King)</i><br><i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Day 4<br/>Fri<br/>18 Sept</b>  | <b>Reserve</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Reserve</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Week 2</b>                     | <b>AM Hearing Session<br/>(9.30am – 1pm)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>PM Hearing Session<br/>(2pm – 5pm)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Day 5<br/>Tues<br/>22 Sept</b> | <b>Matter 5: Green Belt</b><br>(Policy: S7)<br><br><i>Medway Council</i><br><i>Barratt David Wilson (Iceni Projects)</i><br><i>Bellway Strategic Land</i><br><i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br><i>CPRE Kent</i><br><i>Ms Natalie Hale</i><br><i>Hallam Land (David Lock)</i><br><i>Cllr.. Stephen Hubbard</i><br><i>Ms Helen Leydon</i><br><i>Medway Liberal Democrats</i><br><i>Mr Robert Morgan</i><br><i>Richborough (Pinnacle Planning)</i><br><i>Mr Kevin Smith</i><br><i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i><br><br><b>Matter 6: Natural Environment</b> (may start in AM session) (Policies: S1 – S6, DM1 – DM4) | <b>Matter 6: Natural Environment (contd.)</b><br>(Policies S1 – S6, DM1 – DM4)<br><br><i>Medway Council</i><br><i>Cliffe &amp; Cliffe Woods Parish Council</i><br><i>Chatham Maritime Trust</i><br><i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br><i>CPRE Kent</i><br><i>Mr Ray Dines</i><br><i>Hoo Consortium (Sponden Estates Land &amp; Planning)</i><br><i>Ms Helen Leydon</i><br><i>Natural England</i><br><i>Nightingale Homes Ltd (Tetlow King)</i><br><i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i> |
| <b>Day 6<br/>Wed<br/>23 Sept</b>  | <b>Matter 7: Economic Development</b><br>(Policies S10 – S14, T12 – T14)<br><br><i>Medway Council</i><br><i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br><i>CPRE Kent</i><br><i>Medway Conservative Group</i><br><i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>Matter 7: Economic Development (contd.)</b><br>(Policies S10 – S14, T12 – T14)<br><br><i>Medway Council</i><br><i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br><i>CPRE Kent</i><br><i>Medway Conservative Group</i><br><i>The Independent Group Medway Council</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Day 7<br/>Thur<br/>24 Sept</b> | <b>Matter 8: Retail &amp; Town Centres</b><br>(Policies S15- S23, T15 – T19, DM12 – DM14)<br><br><i>Medway Council</i><br><i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br><i>Cliffe &amp; Cliffe Woods Parish Council</i><br><i>CPRE Kent</i><br><i>Endeavour Gillingham Ltd (Freeths)</i><br><i>Save Hoo Peninsula &amp; High Halstow Parish Council (Richard Buxton Solicitors)</i><br><i>Hoo Consortium (Sponden Estates Land &amp; Planning)</i><br><i>Medway Conservative Group</i>                                                                                                                                                   | <b>Matter 8: Retail &amp; Town Centres (contd.)</b><br>(Policies S15- S23, T15 – T19, DM12 – DM14)<br><br><i>Medway Council</i><br><i>Cliffe &amp; Cliffe Woods Parish Council</i><br><i>Church Commissioners (Savills)</i><br><i>CPRE Kent</i><br><i>Endeavour Gillingham Ltd (Freeths)</i><br><i>Save Hoo Peninsula &amp; High Halstow Parish Council (Richard Buxton Solicitors)</i><br><i>Hoo Consortium (Sponden Estates Land &amp; Planning)</i><br><i>Medway Conservative Group</i>          |
| <b>Day 8<br/>Fri<br/>25 Sept</b>  | <b>Reserve</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Reserve</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |