## **Canterbury District Local Plan**

### **Main Modifications**

#### At 25th November 2016

The modifications below are expressed either in the conventional form of strikethrough for deletions and <u>underlining</u> for additions of text, or by specifying the modification in words in *italics*.

The page numbers and paragraph numbering below refer to the submission local plan, and do not take account of the deletion or addition of text.

Key:

xxxx numbers to be inserted when final Local Plan prepared

Reference	Page	Policy/ Paragraph	Main Modification
Introduction	I		
MM	10	Introduction	Insert Key Diagram at end of Introduction section
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# Chapter 1 : Strategy

N / N /	22	SP1	Delete policy text
MM	22	591	Delete policy text
			Policy SP1 Sustainable Development
			When considering development proposals the Council will take a positive approach that reflects the presumption in favour of sustainable development contained in the National Planning Policy Framework.
			Planning applications that accord with the policies in this Local Plan (and, where relevant, with policies in Neighbourhood Plans) will be approved, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.
			Where the Council considers that a proposal would directly undermine the strategy for sustainable development set out in this plan, such proposals will not be approved.
			Where there are no policies relevant to the application or relevant policies are out of date at the time of making the decision then the Council will grant permission unless material considerations indicate otherwise, taking into account whether:
			• Any adverse impacts of granting permission would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits, when assessed against the policies in the National Planning Policy framework taken as a whole; or
			<ul> <li>Specific policies in that framework indicate that development should be restricted;-or</li> </ul>
			• The proposals are acceptable in the light of any Appropriate Assessment required under the Habitats Directive and Regulations.

/IM 2	23 Policy Table		SP2	Amend policy table			
Policy SP2 Develo	opment	Requireme	nts				
and is allocated to below.	to meet	the identifi	ed developme	ent requirements and gu	idelines, as se	et out	
Development type	201	1-16	2016-21	2021-26	2026-31		Total (2011-31)
Housing (units)*	<del>300(</del> 2,50		<del>4,200</del> <u>4,500</u>	4,200 4,500	<del>4,200</del> <u>4,500</u>		<del>15,600</del> 16,000
Employment land (B1, B2 and B8 (sqm)	25,000 B8)		25,000	23,775	23,000		96,775
Other employme	ent uses	÷		To be provided sites	as part of ide	ntified en	nployment
<del>Retail</del> provision		Area		Convenience		<del>Compar</del>	<del>ison</del>
		Canterb	ury **	<del>0 sqm</del> <del>0 sqm</del>		<del>-50,000 sqm</del> <del>-0-sqm</del>	
		Herne Ba	a <del>y ***</del>				
		Whitstak	əle				<del>-3,250 sqm</del>
<u>Retail **</u>							
<u>Comparison</u> <u>Goods</u>	<u>0 sqr</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>8,564 sqm</u>	<u>11,360 sqm</u>	<u>13,876 s</u>	<u>sqm</u>	<u>33,800 sqm</u>
Canterbury***							
<u>Convenience</u> <u>Goods</u>	<u>0 sqr</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>0 sqm</u>	<u>266 sqm</u>	2,342	<u>sqm</u>	<u>2,608 sqm</u>

\*This is a broad phasing, and a detailed trajectory is set out in Appendix xxxx. The mix of housing types and tenures will be expected to meet the proportions set out in the Council's Housing Strategy

\*\*After completion of outstanding permissions

\*\*\*On completion on Central Development Area

\*\* The City Council will review the retail capacity of the District approximately every 5 years and any future studies within the plan period will become a material planning consideration

\*\*\* This relates to Canterbury District, not just the City of Canterbury

ММ	24	1.56	Delete text
			Draft illustrative layout plans for each of the strategic sites (except sites 6,9 and 10, which are primarily housing sites) can be seen in Appendix 1
ММ	24	SP3, Site 1, South Canterbury	Amend policy text - Other

SITE 1	DEVELOPMENT	AMOUNT/TYPE
South	Housing	4,000 dwellings
Canterbury	Employment floorspace	70,000 sqm
	Retail	Local centre shopping facilities only
	Other	Local community "hub"; primary schools; the necessary provision of and contributions to primary school education and the necessary provision and/or contributions to secondary school education; doctor's surgery; health care provision; extended park & ride <u>at Dover Road; land reserved for</u> <u>potential</u> relocation of Kent & Canterbury Hospital, <u>if required</u> ; <del>30ha</del> provision of new public open space, including allotments <del>;</del> <del>20ha</del> <u>and</u> new woodland planting
	Infrastructure	New junction onto the A2 and modifications to the existing junction arrangement; new fast bus link from the site to Canterbury City centre

ММ	25	SP3, Site 2 Land at Sturry/ Broad Oak	Amend policy text – Other and Infrastructure
SITE 2	DEVELOPME	ENT	AMOUNT/TYPE
Land at	Housing		1,000 dwellings
Sturry/	Employment		Business floorspace to meet the needs of local business/office
Broad Oak	floorspace		space
	Retail		Local centre shopping facilities only
	Other		Community facilities <u>to meet local need</u> to be determined in conjunction with parish council; contribution to primary school provision; <u>the necessary provision of and contributions to</u> primary school education and the necessary provision and/or contributions to secondary school education; <u>health care</u> <u>provision</u> ; protection and management of all remaining ancient woodland; provision of new <u>public</u> open space, <u>including</u> public gardens, parkland and playing fields
	Infrastruct	ure	Provision of/or proportionate contribution to New Sturry Relief Road Crossing; improvements to the existing crossing at Broad Oak; reduced use of the existing Sturry Crossing for local traffic and buses only; closure of existing rail foot crossings; provision of new car park for Sturry station

MM	25	SP3, Site 3 Hillborough site, Herne Bay	Amend policy text – Other and Infrastructure
SITE 3	DEVELOPME	NT	AMOUNT/TYPE
Hillborough site, Herne	Housing		1,300 dwellings
Вау	Employment floorspace		33,000sqm (Altira Park, extended)
	Retail		Local centre scale shopping only
	Other		Doctor's surgery; Health care provision; community facilities tomeet local need; the necessary provision of and contributionstoprimary school education and the necessary provisionand/or contributions to secondary school education
	Infrastructu	re	New link to Thanet Way via Altira Park and limited access to Sweechbridge Road; provision of new west-facing on-slip to Thanet Way at the Heart-in-Hand junction; measures to discourage additional traffic using Heart-in-Hand road; <u>improvements to A291 corridor.</u> proportionate contribution (to be agreed) towards the provision of Herne Relief Road route and new Sturry crossing

MM	26	SP3, Site 4 Herne Bay Golf Course	Amend policy text – Other and Infrastructure
SITE 4	DEVELOPME	NT	AMOUNT/TYPE
Herne Bay Golf Course	<ul> <li>Housing</li> <li>Employment floorspace</li> <li>Retail</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>		600 dwellings
			1ha of mixed commercial uses
			Local centre scale shopping only
			8ha of sports & leisure facilities, including cricket, football, hockey, tennis and open space; 1.25ha set aside for Herne Bay High School; doctor's surgery; health care provision; care home; provision and/or contributions to primary and secondary school education
Infrastructure		ire	Improvements to A291 corridor Proportionate contribution (to be agreed) towards the provision of Herne Relief Road route and new Sturry Crossing; new footpath/cycle path to be provided in conjunction with site 5 (Strode Farm, Herne Bay) to link sites 4 and 5

MM	26	SP3, Site 5 Strode Farm, Herne Bay	Amend policy text - Other and Infrastructure
SITE 5	DEVELOPME	NT	AMOUNT/TYPE
Strode Farm, Herne Bay	Housing		800 dwellings
	Employment floorspace Retail Other Infrastructure		15,000sqm
			Local centre shopping provision only
			Community facilities, including new parish hall and local needs housing; the necessary provision of and contributions to primary school education and the necessary provision and/or contributions to secondary school education; health care provision
			Provision of new relief route for Herne, as indicated on the proposals map; proportionate contribution (to be agreed) towards the provision of new Sturry Crossing; Provision of new highway through the site linking Thanet Way to Bullockstone Road and improvements to Bullockstone Road, as indicated on the proposals map; new footpath/cycle path to be provided in conjunction with site 4 (Herne Bay Golf Course) to link sites 4 and 5

ММ	26	SP3, Site 6, Land at Greenhill, Herne Bay	Amend policy text – Other and Infrastructure
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SITE6	DEVELOPMENT		AMOUNT/TYPE
Land at Greenhill,	Housing		300 dwellings
Herne Bay	Other Infrastructure		Community facilities to <u>meet local need</u> <del>be determined</del> ; recreation & leisure facilities, new allotment provision; <u>the</u> <u>necessary provision of and contributions to primary school</u> <u>education and the necessary provision and/or contributions to</u> <u>secondary school education; health care provision</u>
			Proportionate contribution (to be agreed) towards the provision of new relief route for Herne and new Sturry Crossing

MM	27	SP3, Site 8, Land North of Hersden	Amend policy text – Housing, Other and Infrastructure
SITE 8	DEVELOPME	NT	AMOUNT/TYPE
Land North of Hersden	Housing		500 800 dwellings (Design and layout to reflect need to provide buffer to Listed Farmhouse and provision of Nemo Connection project)
	Employmen floorspace	t	1ha new business space for local business
	Other		New community building; play areas and allotments; multi-use games area; the necessary provision of and contributions to primary school education and the necessary provision of and/or contributions to secondary school education and provision of the main school vehicular access through Site 8; health care provision
	Infrastructure		Provision of, or proportionate contribution (to be agreed) towards the provision of new Sturry Crossing; Relief Road, and/ or contributions to transportation improvements on the <u>A28 corridor;</u> improved footpath/cyclepath links to existing network

MM	28	SP3, Site 10, Land at <del>Kent &amp;</del> <del>Canterbury</del> <del>Hospital</del> , Ridlands Farm and Langton Field, Canterbury	Amend policy text – Remove Kent and Canterbury Hospital part of site and amend Housing, Other and Infrastructure
SITE 10	DEVELOPME	NT	AMOUNT/TYPE
Land at <del>Kent</del> &	Housing		810-310 dwellings
<del>Canterbury</del> Hospital, Ridlands Farm and Langton	Other		Provision of public open space within the site, including play areas; multi-use games area; contributions to primary and secondary school education; community and local facilities to meet local need; health care provision
Field, Canterbury	Infrastructu	ire	Provision of fast bus link route from the South Canterbury site to South Canterbury Road (and subject to acceptable proposals for the relocation of the existing Hospital to the South Canterbury site)

			Site 11,	-		
<u>SITE 11</u>		DEVELO	<u>DPMENT</u>	<u>AMOUNT/TYPE</u>		
Land at and adjacent			<u>ng</u>	<u>1,150 dwellings</u>		
Cockering Fa	Cockering Farm,Employment spaceThanington		<u>yment space</u>	<u>1.5ha</u>		
		<u>Other</u>		Provision of public open space within the site; Allotments; the necessary provision of and contributions to primary school education and the necessary provision of and/or contributions to secondary school education; Community and local facilities to meet local need; Play areas; Multi-use games area; health care provision, new additional woodland planting to enhance the Larkey Valley Local Nature Reserve		
				Provision of, or funding new eastbound A2 off slip at Wincheap and associated highway improvements at the junction with Ten Perch Road and extended westbound slip road off the A2; Improved/ new road link to Cockering Road; Bus and footpath/cyclepath links; contributions to expansion of Wincheap Park and Ride; contributions towards the provision of A28 (Wincheap) Relief Road and highway improvements at Wincheap Green roundabout		

MM 28		Site 12,		(John iness	Insert new proposed strategic site	
SITE 12 Land South of Ridgeway (John Wilson Busines	<u>55</u>	Housir	DPMENT Dg yment space		DUNT/TYPE dwellings	
Park), Whitstable		edu secc nee		educ seco neec	The necessary provision of and contributions to primary school education and the necessary provision of and/or contributions to secondary school education; Community facilities to meet local need; Improved public open space, including play area and multi- use games area; health care provision	
		<u>Infrast</u>	<u>ructure</u>		way improvements, including roundabout at junction of A2990 net Way and Reeves Way, Whitstable	

ММ	28	SP3	Amend policy text
			Detailed development briefs shall be prepared for these sites prior to the granting of planning permission, setting out <u>Planning</u> applications for development of all, or part, of a Strategic Site <u>Allocation</u> , shall be accompanied by a comprehensive masterplan for the whole of the Strategic Site Allocation, having regard to the Statement of Community Involvement. for planning permission. The masterplan shall identify how the Strategic Site Allocation fits into the wider surroundings and shall include the detailed requirements for the site; the anticipated phasing of development, <u>the and</u> physical and social infrastructure through the plan period; and <u>detailed</u> design proposals and other planning requirements for the site, reflecting incorporating "garden city" principles (Appendix 5 xxxx). Development proposals submitted for these sites shall be in accordance with the total requirements of this policy. and the development brief.
			Development proposals shall include a schedule for delivery of the total requirements for the site, and shall include an appropriate mechanism to ensure delivery in a timely and co- ordinated manner. Development should <u>and</u> also meet the requirements of other policies in this Local Plan; the provisions of any supplementary planning documents and any other relevant and any other relevant guidance prepared by the Council.
			Development proposals for these sites that do not meet these criteria shall will not be permitted.
ММ	30	SP4	Amend policy text
			The urban areas of Canterbury, Herne Bay and Whitstable will continue to be the principal focus for development, with a particular focus at Canterbury, together with development at <del>some of</del> the rural service centre <del>s</del> and local centres. Policy SP3 identifies the key sites for mixed-use development. Development at these sites will be subject to development briefs or masterplans, setting out the amounts and types of development and their phasing, along with any infrastructure requirements.
			In addition to the development allocations set out in this plan:
			<ol> <li>In the urban areas <u>of Canterbury, Herne Bay and</u> <u>Whitstable</u>, new housing development will be supported on suitable sites, where this would be acceptable in terms of environmental, transport and other planning factors,</li> </ol>

MM	32	1.71	<ul> <li>and would not result in the loss of sites identified for business and other specific uses;</li> <li>2. Small-scale pProvision of new housing that is of a size, design, scale, character and location appropriate to the character and built form of the <u>rural</u> service centres of <u>Sturry and the local</u> centres of Barham, Blean, Bridge, Chartham (including Shalmsford Street), Hersden <u>and</u> Littlebourne <del>and Sturry</del> will be supported provided that such proposals are not in conflict with other local plan policies relating to transport, environmental and flood zone protection and design, and those of the Kent Downs AONB Management Plan, where applicable;</li> <li>3. In the identified villages of Adisham, Bekesbourne, Bossingham, Broad Oak, Hoath, Kingston, Petham, Rough Common, Tyler Hill, Upstreet, and Wickhambreaux, priority will be given to protecting the rural character of the district and <u>minor infill</u> development <u>of an amount appropriate to the size of the settlement (or development to meet an identified local need for affordable housing), in a location appropriate to the form of the settlement and of a design and scale that respects and enhances the character of the village; will be restricted to minor development or infill, or that which is needed to meet an identified local need for affordable housing only;</u></li> <li>4. Development_At the identified hamlets of Chartham Hatch, Chislet, Bishopsbourne, Fordwich, Harbledown, Ickham, Lower Hardres, Patrixbourne, Stodmarsh, Upper Harbledown, Upper Hardres, Waltham, Westbere, Womenswold, Woolage Green, and Woolage Village development will be permitted will be limited to only that which specifically meets an identified local need; and</li> <li>5. In the open countryside, development will be permitted normally be limited to that <u>if</u> required for agriculture and forestry purposes (see Policy EMP13).</li> </ul>
	52	1./1	The <u>City</u> Council will expect all the allocated strategic sites to include <u>reasonable and proportionate</u> provision for new green infrastructure, and to meet the requirements of the Habitat Regulations for alternative open space to protect international wildlife sites. to meet the recreational needs of the local residents, deliver sustainable development and support health and wellbeing.

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MM	32	SP5	Delete Policy SP5 and combine the text of SP5 with para.1.70 to become an "additional modification"
			Policy SP5 Green infrastructure
			In parallel with this Plan, the Council will prepare a Green Infrastructure Strategy, which will set out the overall objectives for future green infrastructure in the district.
			In particular, the strategy should:
			<ol> <li>Provide measures to protect and enhance biodiversity and meet the requirements of the habitats regulations, and</li> </ol>
			2. Create and or enhance linkages between natural areas and open spaces and areas of and undesignated countryside, as appropriate:
			<ol> <li>Take into account the provisions of the council's development contributions spd in relation to open space, and the council's open space strategy; and</li> </ol>
			<ol> <li>Take into account the design, landscape and biodiversity recommendations in the Council's draft Landscape Character &amp; Biodiversity Appraisal SPD</li> </ol>
ММ	34-35	Paragraphs 180-185	Amend text
			Habitat Regulations matters and mitigation measures.StrategicAccessManagement and Monitoring (SAMM) MitigationMeasures to address in-combination recreational impacts on thecoastal Special Protection Areas (SPA), and Ramsar sites
			1.80 The <u>City</u> Council has taken into account the findings of its Sustainability Appraisal and Habitat Regulations Assessment work and the advice of Natural England, and has agreed <del>a</del> mitigation strateg <u>yies</u> with Natural England to deal with any <del>potential</del> <u>likely</u> significant effect <del>of</del> <u>resulting</u> from new development in the District, <del>in particular</del> from recreational disturbance on the coastal Special Protection Areas (SPA's) <u>and Ramsar's resulting</u> from the strategic sites allocated under SP3. The <u>City</u> Council has <del>also</del> begun <u>undertaken</u> a series of <u>visitor</u> surveys to establish "zones of influence" for the sensitive coastal areas relative to the main areas of settlement, as outlined in the Strategic Access Management and Monitoring Strategies (SAMMs), to be reviewed if monitoring indicates a need.

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The Mitigation strategyies will be developed and implemented
for the two coastal sites – Thanet Coast and Sandwich Bay SPA /
Ramsar and the Swale SPA / Ramsar. for the strategic sites in
the draft Plan They are likely to presently comprises the
following measures:
(1) Wardening of the sensitive international wildlife sites,
together with increased <u>signage and</u> education, to be
funded by new development sites in perpetuity, in
accordance with guidance to be prepared by the <u>City</u>
Council;
(2) Ongoing monitoring and surveys of sensitive sites across
the <u>District</u> , particularly in relation to visitors and bird
<u>numbers</u> , to be funded via the wardening programme (the results of the monitoring will be used to review the
ongoing delivery of the mitigation);
(3) Consideration of <u>any</u> other measures <u>shown to be as</u>
required or appropriate to mitigate recreational impacts of
development, for example: provision of additional natural
green space could form part of the mitigation measures on
some strategic sites in addition to the access management
measures identified.access management; and
4) The provision of open space on strategic development sites,
as set out in the Council's Development Contributions SPD,
including new habitat areas, which contribute to habitat
networks, provide alternative informal recreational
opportunities (thereby contributing to quality of life, health
benefits, potentially reducing pressure on the more sensitive designated sites and contributing to biodiversity gain), and to
seek to create new links to the non designated countryside.
The Green Infrastructure Strategy will provide further
guidance.
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A dDetailed strategyies setting out necessary contributions to
an in-perpetuity funds and required detailed mitigation
measures <del>is</del> <u>are</u> being prepared will be available, and
contributions will need to be made in accordance having
regard to with that those strategies. As all-Housing sites and
other new development proposals in the district within the
identified Zones of Influence, as identified in the Strategic
Access Management and Monitoring Strategies (SAMMs), that
are likely to have result in significant recreational effects alone
or in-combination on the international coastal wildlife sites, it
is anticipated that contributions will take the form of a flat- rate tariff to address all the measures across the district. will
be expected to contribute to a tariff to deliver the measures
required to mitigate their effects.

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			1.83 The <u>City</u> Council will <del>also</del> continue to work with the other north Kent and east Kent authorities to ensure that there is a joint approach to the consideration of cross-boundary effects, <u>implementation of mitigation and monitoring strategies</u> , <del>and</del> to the long-term development <u>and management</u> of green infrastructure in the area to provide sustainable recreational areas for residents and, where shown to be appropriate, provision of additional natural green spaces. Part of the contribution to wardening and other measures will be towards the funding of the North Kent marshes management arrangements
			1.84 On this basis, Natural England and the City Council are of the view that an Appropriate Assessment of the draft Canterbury District Local Plan under the Habitat Regulations is not required. Development that contributes to the appropriate SAMM or other approved strategic measures will mitigate its impact and will not require Appropriate Assessment for recreational effects on that SPA or Ramsar.
			1.85 However, there may be Other development proposals <u>may</u> <u>arise</u> during the lifetime of the Plan, which <u>might may</u> have a <u>likely</u> significant effect on the international wildlife sites <u>within</u> <u>or adjacent to the district and thesey proposals</u> will also need to be <u>assessed under the Habitats Regulations in line with</u> <u>Policy LB5</u> subject to the same provisions. The following Policy is therefore applicable to all the allocated sites (particularly the strategic sites) in the Plan. It should be noted that the current mitigation measures outlined in the coastal SAMMs have been designed to mitigate recreational impacts from the housing numbers proposed in the Local Plan. Any significant changes in housing numbers would require the reassessment of these measures and their ability to mitigate further impacts and may require additional measures. Policy LB5 is <u>also</u> applicable to all new development proposals.
MM	36	SP7	Amend policy text SP7 Habitat regulations mitigations measures SP7 Strategic Access Management and Monitoring (SAMM) Mitigation Measures for the coastal Special Protection Areas and Ramsar sites
			No development will be permitted, which may have an adverse effect on the integrity of <del>an</del> the coastal sites being the Thanet <u>Coast and Sandwich Bay</u> SAC, SPA and Ramsar Site <u>and Swale</u> <u>SPA and Ramsar</u> , alone, or in combination with other plans or projects, <u>through an increase in recreational disturbance on the</u>

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			<ul> <li>over-wintering bird populations for which these sites are designated, and where it cannot be demonstrated that there would be no adverse effect on the integrity of the sites. As such, the strategic development sites identified in the Plan and any other developments within the identified Zone of Influence, as shown on the District Proposals Maps (Thanet Coast and Sandwich Bay SPA 7.2km and the Swale SPA 6km), which would lead to an increase in recreational disturbance, are would therefore be required to fund, in-perpetuity, the following mitigation measures access management and monitoring measures to mitigate these impacts, including:</li> <li>(1) Wardening of sensitive international wildlife sites the coastal SPA and Ramsar sites, signage and interpretation 7 and increased education, to be funded by the development in perpetuity; and,</li> <li>(2) Ongoing monitoring and surveys of the sensitive sites in the district to, particularly with regard to visitors and bird numbers, which will be linked to funded via the wardening programmes; and,</li> <li>(3) Consideration of Any other measures as shown to be required or appropriate to mitigate the effects of development; for example, provision of additional natural green space could form part of the mitigation in addition to any contributions made. access management; and</li> <li>(4) The provision of open space on new sites, as set out in the Council's Development Contributions SPD.</li> <li>(4) Contributions will be made in accordance with having regard to the guidance prepared by the City Council. Any tariff will comprise a one off payment incorporating a levy for annual expenditure to operate the mitigation strategy and a portion for</li> </ul>
MM	36	Plan Monitoring	in-perpetuity. Amend text
		and Review	<ul> <li>1.86 The Council will establish a full monitoring programme and will identify key areas for future monitoring, to seek to ensure that the overall Plan strategy is being delivered. It will also establish monitoring targets. Monitoring is likely to include the following: <ul> <li>a particular focus on the long-term objective to strengthen and diversify the local economy;</li> <li>the delivery of housing (including affordable housing), employment and retail floorspace;</li> <li>the delivery of key physical and social infrastructure;</li> <li>environmental standards and design quality in new development; and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<ul> <li>condition of environmental resources.</li> </ul>
1.87 The Council will undertake monitoring on an annual basis,
and the results of this monitoring will be reported via an Annual Monitoring Report.
1.88 it is the intention to undertake a review of the Local Plan
every 4-5 years as a matter of course. The Council will also use
the monitoring programme to identify whether there are areas
where the Local Plan strategy is not being delivered, and needs
more immediate review. However, the Council recognises that it
is embarking on what will inevitably be a long-term strategy,
and it will not undertake short term formal reviews of the Plan
unless it is clear from its monitoring that key elements of the
Strategy are not being delivered. The formal proposals for
monitoring and review will be provided at submission stage.
1.88 In addition to the ongoing monitoring of the delivery of the Plan strategy, the Council will also have regard to demographic
projections that from time to time will be issued by
Government, and the implications these may have for housing
need in Canterbury District's Housing Market Area. In the
context of the Department for Communities and Loca
Government's 2014-based sub national household projections
the Council will within one year of the Plan being adopted
undertake and publish an assessment of the current evidence
on demographic change, how it relates to assumptions around
student populations, and any impact on the overall housing
need for which the Local Plan makes provision. If the Council's
assessment indicates an early partial review of the Plan is
necessary, this will commence two years from the date of
adoption of the Plan

Chapter 2: Housing Development
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ММ	43	2.23	Delete text and table

**2.23** The City Council has phased the housing land requirement of 15,600 into 5 year bands as set out in Table H1.

#### **Table H1: Phased Housing Land Requirement**

<del>Development</del> type	<del>2011-16</del>	<del>2016-21</del>	<del>2021-26</del>	<del>2026-31</del>	Total
					<del>(2011-31)</del>
Housing	<del>3,000</del>	4 <del>,200</del>	4 <del>,200</del>	4 <del>,200</del>	<del>15,600</del>

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			Table	H2: Strategic Allocations – Delete table
	der to meet this below	s requirement the Cil	t <del>y Counc</del> i	I has made a number of strategic allocations which are set
<b>Canterbury</b>	<u>Sites</u>			
Land at Sou	th Canterbury			4,000
Ridlands Fai	rm/ Hospital site	5		<del>810</del>
Howe Barra	<del>cks</del>			400
Herne Bay S	Sites			
Strode Farm	<del>ı, Herne Bay</del>			800
Land at Gre	enhill, Herne Ba	¥		300
Land at Her	ne Bay Golf Cluk	<del>), Herne Bay</del>		600
Land at Hill	oorough, Herne	<del>Bay</del>		<del>1300</del>
Whitstable	<del>Sites</del>			
North of Th	North of Thanet Way, Whitstable			400
Rural Sites	Rural Sites			
Land at Stur	Land at Sturry/Broad Oak			1000
Land North	of Hersden			500

	44	2.25 / Table H3 Delete text and re-locate into amended Policy HD1					
<del>or pr</del>	-	out the other infr		below and will be sub acture requirements.	-	approved developm	<del>ent brief</del>
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St Martin's Hospital, Canterbury     200						-	
-	-ield, Canterbu					<del>15</del>	_
Land at Bulk	ockstone Road	<del>, Herne Bay</del>				<del>190</del>	_
Land at Spire	es, Bredlands L	ane, Hersden				<del>81</del>	_
Barham Cou	i <del>rt Farm, Churc</del>	h Lane, Barham				<del>25</del>	
Land at Bake	er's Lane, Char	ham				<del>20</del>	
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			The table below sets out the residual requirement sites included in the Housing Information Audi housing land supply over the plan period 2011-20 the City Council's position in meeting theise or requirement. This updates the January 2016 Supply Revised Position and April 2016 revision from the Housing Land Supply Revised Position re 2016} providing a position based on information 2015.	it (HIA) 2013 1 <u>31</u> and show verall housin Housing Lan This is draw aport (Januar
			5 Year Supply Position 2015/16-2019/20	
			Requirement	
			Local Plan requirement 2011-2031 (800dpa)	16,000
			Completions 01/04/11 to 31/03/15	1,908
			Residual requirement	14,092
			Number of units required 2015-2031 (remaining 16 years) p.a.	881
			Five Year requirement	4,404
			5% buffer	220
			5 Year requirement with 5% buffer	4,624
			Annual requirement	925
			Supply	
			Strategic and other new allocations	3,281
			Existing allocations	298
			Planning permissions (as at 31/03/15)	1,126
			Windfall Allowance	276
			Total Supply	4,981
			Total Five Year Housing Supply	
			Surplus	357
			Years Supply	5.39

ММ	46	HD1	Amend policy text/table	
			Policy HD1 Housing Allocations In addition to Policy SP3, Devel housing allocations in the Distric	opment will be permitted at the ct as set out below:
			Canterbury Sites	
			<u>St Martins Hospital,</u> <u>Canterbury</u>	200
			Kingsmead Field, Canterbury	<u>15</u>
			Herne Bay Sites	
			Land at Bullockstone Road, Herne Bay	<u>190</u>
			Rural Sites	
			Land at Spires, Bredlands Lane, Hersden	<u>80</u>
			<u>Barham Court Farm, Church</u> Lane, Barham	<u>25</u>
			<u>Land at Baker's Lane,</u> <u>Chartham</u>	<u>20</u>
			Brickfield Farm, Mill Lane, Bridge	<u>40</u>
			Land adjacent to Cranmer and Aspinall Close, Bekesbourne	<u>14</u>
			Land to rear of 51 Rough Common Road, Rough Common	<u>28</u>
			carried forward from the 2006 proposals map and listed in-tak and or for mixed use development residential development. Development on allocated for residential uses including purper will not normally be permitted. Land is also identified on the pr	those sites identified allocations <u>5 Local Plan as indicated</u> on the <del>ble H2</del> Appendix xxxx for housing ent where there is an element of housing sites for other non- ose built student accommodation oposals map <u>(Inset 1)</u> at Chaucer unity site <u>in the longer term</u> for an period.

ММ	46	2.36	Amend text
			The mix of tenures, sizes and types of homes provided on any particular development will be required to reflect local needs. This should also encourage social cohesion and the creation of balanced and higher density communities. Different tenures and creative quality design are therefore necessary, in particular in areas of higher density such as town centres and around good public transport interchanges in the urban areas, to provide for the range of accommodation needed and to promote social mix. Home Ownership has become unaffordable to many people in the district and the City Council seeks to encourage the development and delivery of starter homes, as defined by the Housing and Planning Act 2016. Starter homes on mixed sites will be treated as any other form of affordable housing in that they should represent a mixture of types and sizes of property that is reflective of the overall development. Starter home exception sites are also encouraged where appropriate land is available but the development should reflect the housing needs of the district. In addition, on suitable sites, the City Council will be supportive of provision of self-build plots and custom build housing.
MM	47	2.40	Amend text In 2012 the City Council appointed Adams Integra to undertake an Economic Viability Assessment of the Future Development in the Canterbury District, in particular an assessment of affordable housing viability. This report recommended that given the current economic climate and to maintain the viability of sites, the <u>City</u> Council should consider a 30% affordable housing requirement on sites of 7 or more units across the District. This is a lower percentage than that recommended in the SHMA, however, it now applies a lower threshold of 7 or more units, and therefore recognises the current economic difficulties. The threshold for affordable housing has also been lowered in response to evidence suggesting that in the past the capacity of some sites has been artificially reduced to fall below the affordable housing threshold. The affordable housing requirement will apply to all types of housing developments including sheltered housing schemes. Where proposals are submitted below the 30% affordable requirement threshold, the City Council will require a viability assessment to provide justification. It should be noted that the Government is <del>currently consulting on a new national threshold and the City Council's approach may need to be reviewed in light of this. <u>Canterbury City Council are aware that Government has</u> <u>previously sought to impose a threshold excluding</u> <u>developments of 10 units or fewer from a requirement to</u> <del>contribute to affordable housing provision, albeit this is not</del></del>

			currently in place. Any national policy which supersedes the locally applied threshold will be used if, and when, it is implemented and applicable.
MM	47	2.41	Amend text
			The report also recommended that for sites below 7 units, development will be expected to make either on-site provision or a financial contribution in lieu of on-site provision where there is a viability issue. This will only apply to new additional units, including those in conversions of existing buildings and will not apply to replacements. The City Council's preference is for on-site provision and a case needs to be made as to why this cannot be achieved. A viability statement may be required and may be assessed by an independent assessor of the Council's choice at the applicant's expense. <u>A vacant building credit will be applied where it can be demonstrated that qualifying buildings are genuinely vacant. Where a financial contribution is deemed more appropriate, the City Council will apply the formula set out in paragraph 2.49. As this is a 20 year plan, the City Council will keep all viability issues and the affordable housing percentage under review.</u>
MM	48	2.42	Amend text
			The Adams Integra report suggests a target of affordable housing tenure of 70% rented and 30% suitable intermediate tenure. The <u>City</u> Council will negotiate the exact tenure and type of the units to reflect local needs and the requirements of the Canterbury District Housing Strategy, on each site through pre-application discussions. The addition of starter homes to the affordable housing portfolio and the likelihood of a government set target for Starter Homes, as well as changes to funding arrangements and finances of registered providers, means that in some circumstances, the City Council may have to prioritise delivering the overall target of affordable units, rather than the 70/30 split.
ММ	50	2.49	Amend text
			Calculating Commuted Sums for Affordable Housing
			The City Council will prepare guidance or a supplementary planning document setting out how commuted sums will be arrived at.The City Council will apply the formula set out below for financial contributions.The financial contribution is arrived at by the following steps: • Step 1: Open Market Value (OMV) of the housing units

			<ul> <li>on site (A)</li> <li>Step 2: Multiply (A) by the residual land value percentage of 20% (B)</li> <li>Step 3: Add 15% of the result of (A) X (B) to reflect site acquisition and servicing costs. This gives the per unit sum.</li> <li>Step 4: Apply to the relevant site number and proportion (in this case 30% affordable housing contribution)</li> </ul>
MM	50	HD2	Amend policy text Policy HD2 Affordable Housing In order to address the need for affordable housing in the District, tThe City Council will require all types of residential development to make provision for affordable housing. A requirement of seek provision of 30% is to be provided on-site, for schemes of affordable housing on all residential developments consisting of 7 or more units. For schemes of 2 to 6 units either an on-site provision or a financial contribution will be sought-using the formula in paragraph 2.49. The City Council's preferred option is for affordable housing to be provided on-site. Where it can be demonstrated that on-site provision is not suitable, a financial contribution will be sought. A vacant building credit will be applied where it can be demonstrated that qualifying buildings are genuinely vacant. Whether a qualifying building is genuinely vacant will be determined on a site by site basis, having regard to the vacant building credit policy intention to incentivise brownfield development. The vacant building credit applies where the building has not been abandoned, has not been made vacant for the sole purposes of re-development and is not covered by an extant or recently expired planning permission for the same or substantially the same development. Where the proposed provision of affordable houses is below the requirements set out above, the City Council will require applicants to provide evidence by way of a financial appraisal to justify a reduced provision. Permission will be refused where the size of the development is artificially reduced to fall below the threshold requiring provision of affordable housing and where the affordable housing element is not comparable in size and design with the rest of the development

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MM	51	2.56	Amend text
			The City Council will make any planning permission subject to a legal agreement to ensure that the affordable homes remain affordable in perpetuity. Only Non-standard shared ownership leases will be accepted that preferably limit ownership to 80% of the total value. Those people who are considered to be a priority for new local needs housing will be chosen in a sequential way. This will be done in conjunction with the Parish Council on the basis of the need within the parish, neighbouring parishes and the wider area.
ММ	51	2.57	Amend text
			Assuming there are no other overriding planning objections, the City Council may reach agreement with an applicant and grant planning permission for the development on the basis that it is an exception to normal planning policy justified by an identified local need. The planning permission restricts the development of affordable housing, where their localised need can be evidenced to the satisfaction of the City Council, which will always be below prevailing market value and available only to meet local needs. The provision of starter homes will not be permitted on rural exception sites in accordance with the powers established under the Housing and Planning Act 2016 Section 5(2).
MM	52	2.59	Amend text
			Low cost home ownership, i.e. where the home is sold but an equity share is retained by the developer, may be an alternative to shared ownership. In the case of low cost houses for sale it is important to ensure that the purpose of the scheme is maintained. in perpetuity, and that the dwellings are not sold on by the first occupants at full market value. To do this the occupier should be prevented from being able to own the dwelling outright. This is achieved through shared equity and for this reason the scheme will normally be managed by a Registered Provider.
MM	53	HD3	Amend policy text
			Policy HD3 Rural Exception Sites The City Council will only permit small scale affordable housing to meet local needs on rural exception sites that is, unallocated land outside the boundary of the urban areas and/or built confines of villages, subject to the following criteria: a. The applicant and the parish council or local community in conjunction with the City Council, must demonstrate the existence of a local need which cannot be accommodated in any

			other way, i.e. no other sites are available within the village;
			b. The development must be of a scale not in excess of the identified local need;
			c. The City Council must be satisfied that the long term occupancy of the dwellings can be controlled to ensure that the housing will continue to be available for a local need at an affordable price in perpetuity and this will be defined by a legal agreement. Proposals to construct dwellings offering a discounted initial purchase price only will not be acceptable. The City Council will seek to control occupancy through agreements as appropriate to meet local needs;
			d. The development must be capable of proper management by a registered provider, village trust, <u>parish council</u> or a similar organisation;
			e. There is no conflict with environmental protection policies;
			f. Any site must be well related to the village and existing facilities; and
			g. Market housing will <del>only</del> be acceptable as a <u>n</u> minor element of the scheme in exceptional circumstances, for example, to enable the financial viability of the scheme <del>and or</del> to meet an identified local market need. A financial viability statement will need to be submitted with any application and may be validated by an independent assessor <u>at the expense of the applicant</u> . The market housing element will amount to no more than 30% of the scheme. Any permitted market housing must be comparable in scale and design to the affordable housing element. <u>Starter</u> <u>homes will not be permitted on rural exceptions sites.</u>
MM	54	HD4	Insert headings and amend and re-order policy text
			Policy HD4 New Dwellings in the Countryside
			Planning permission for new dwellings in the countryside will only be granted in the following circumstances: <u>a. For Agricultural Workers Dwellings where:</u>
			<ul> <li>Where t There is an essential need for a rural worker to live permanently at or near their place of work in the countryside, for example, to meet the needs of agriculture or forestry. In such circumstances the City Council will require the applicant to produce an independent report demonstrating the need for the dwelling and the financial viability of the business.</li> <li>Where e Existing dwellings serving or closely connected with the holding do not provide sufficient accommodation for essential rural workers.</li> </ul>
			Where a need is proven, the City Council will normally require the new agricultural dwelling to be sited in association with existing groups of farm buildings.

			b. For the re-use of heritage assets where :
			<ul> <li>The proposed development would represent the optimal viable use of a heritage asset or would be appropriate enabling development to secure the future of heritage assets; or and</li> <li>The development would re-use redundant or disused buildings and lead to an enhancement to the immediate setting.</li> <li>The proposed development enhances the existing historic character.</li> <li>For the re-use of existing buildings where d. The development to the immediate setting; or</li> <li>d. For a new dwelling where e. The design of the development is of an exceptional quality or innovative nature. of the design</li> </ul>
MM	56	HD5	Amend policy text
			Policy HD5 Conversion of Rural Buildings Where planning permission is required for the conversion of an existing agricultural or other rural building in the open countryside to a residential use, it will <del>only</del> be granted if the following criteria are satisfied: a. It has been demonstrated by means of a supporting statement to the satisfaction of the City Council that the building has been <u>continuously</u> actively marketed for 2 <u>a</u> years, for suitable preferred or alternative re-uses, such as business, tourism or community; or b. The residential conversion is a subordinate part of a scheme for a business, tourism or community re-use, which will have a positive benefit on the local economy and community; or c. The residential conversion meets an identified local housing need; and d. The form bulk and design of the building is sympathetic to the rural surroundings and it respects local styles and materials; and e. The building is capable of conversion without major reconstruction or extension and any alterations can be achieved without a detrimental impact on its character and appearance; and f. The building is capable of conversion and reuse without requiring substantial additional outbuildings or a significant change in the setting of the building; <del>and</del> g. There is no overriding conflict with other policies in the Local Plan.

MM	57	2.75	Amend text
			The wording "exceptionally high" is used in policy HD6 to allow for flexibility for particular local circumstances where the impact of additional HMOs would be particularly acute. The Housing in Multiple Occupation (HMO) Article 4 Direction came into effect on the 25 <sup>th</sup> of February 2016. This means that planning permission is required for changes of use from residential (C3) to small HMO (C4) uses, in the aforementioned wards. This covers the wards (or parts of wards) Barton; Blean Forest; Chartham and Stone Street; Northgate; St Stephens; Sturry; Westgate and Wincheap. A plan showing the area can be found in Appendix xxxx. The City Council will keep this issue under review to see if there are other areas which need to be subject to this policy and the Article 4 Direction. Any future changes will be subject to public consultation. In order_To address these three—issues — housing need; community cohesion and residential amenity – the Council considers that the proportion of HMOs in any given area in a 100m radius should <u>comprise of</u> no more than 10% of the <u>total</u> number of properties. The Council believes that Policy HD6 set out below is a reasonable response to the issues. For the purposes of policy HD6, the designated area includes the area within the urban boundary of Canterbury and the wards of Sturry North, Sturry South, Barton, Wincheap and Blean Forest. It alsoincludes the parish of Harbledown and that part of the Lower Hardres Parish north of the A2. A plan showing the area can be found in Appendix 3.
MM	58	HD6	Amend policy text Policy HD6 Housing in Multiple Occupation (HMO) In order to maintain an appropriate housing mix within the designated area, and to safeguard the character of local communities, the proportion of multiple occupancies HMOs within the areas subject to Article 4 Directions should not exceed 10% of the total number of dwellings within a 100m radius of any application property. The City Council will not permit changes of use to HMOs, or extensions to existing HMOs, where that proportion would be exceeded. However, in areas where there is already an exceptionally high proportion of HMOs, for example, in any particular block of properties, consideration will be given to permitting further conversions. In all cases regard will also be had to the following factors: a. whether the proposals would lead to a level of car-parking that would exceed the capacity of the street; b. whether the proposals could provide acceptable arrangements for bin storage and other shared facilities; and

			c. whether the design of any extension would be appropriate in terms of the property itself or the character of the area.
MM	60	HD7	<ul> <li>Amend policy text</li> <li>Policy HD7 Purpose Built Student Accommodation</li> <li>All future increases in academic or administrative floorspace resulting in increased student numbers by the universities, <del>must</del> be matched by a corresponding increase in purpose-built student accommodation. Proposals for purpose-built managed student accommodation will <del>only</del>-be granted if: <ul> <li>a. It is the acceptable redevelopment of a non-residential site, where there is no longer a proven need for the existing use;</li> <li>b. The site is not already allocated for general housing;</li> <li>c. The proposal would not lead to a concentration of students in an otherwise residential area and therefore conflict with the <u>purpose of HMO policy HD6;</u></li> <li>d. The site is well served by pedestrian and cycle routes and public transport links to the establishment's existing educational facilities;</li> <li>e. Parking requirements on site are kept to the operational minimum, and must include servicing and drop-off facilities;</li> <li>f. The proposal would not lead to an unacceptable level of car parking on the surrounding street;</li> <li>g. The development is to be a car free development;</li> <li>h. The proposal respects the character of the surrounding area and satisfies the criteria in policies DBE3 and DBE4;</li> <li>i. Provision is made for cycle storage;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
ММ	62	2.87	Amend text With an ageing population there is a need for flexibility in new residential accommodation and the Council is seeking to achieve 20% of housing to be built to Part M4(2) of the Building Regulations (see Policy DBE8). to lifetimes homes standard (policy DBE7). However, there is also a need for specialist elderly accommodation which can range from sheltered housing, extra care housing to residential care homes. For the purposes of planning policy proposals for retirement homes or villages and extra care housing where the accommodation is self-contained and there is an element of independent living, will be regarded as residential dwellings (Use Class Order C3) and subject to the normal housing policies in this Local Plan. For nursing homes or

			other high dependency accommodation where there is a high degree of on-site care and where facilities are communal, these will be regarded as care homes and Use Class Order C2.
MM	64	HD10	<ul> <li>Amend policy text</li> <li>In considering applications for seasonal, temporary or permanent use of land by Gypsies and Travellers, planning permission will only be permitted if the following criteria are met: <ul> <li>a. The Council is satisfied that there is a clearly established need for the site and the number of pitches involved cannot be met by an existing site;</li> <li>b. The site should be well related to and within a reasonable</li> </ul></li></ul>
			<ul> <li>b. The site should be wen related to and within a reasonable distance of local services and facilities - shops, public transport, schools, medical and social services; <u>and would not place undue pressure on these services; particularly where it is outside an existing settlement;</u></li> <li>c. The site is capable of being provided with on-site services such as water supply, sewage disposal and power supply;</li> <li>d. Where the site is on the outskirts of a built up area, care is taken to avoid encroachment on the open countryside. The site is within the built up area of a settlement or on the outskirts of a settlement or on the outskirts of a settlement and is of a scale which respects, and does not dominate, the settled community;</li> <li>e) If location outside an existing settlement is unavoidable, tThe form and extent of the accommodation does not adversely affect the visual or other essential qualities of an AONB, SSSI, national or local nature reserve, or other area of landscape significance designated in the development plan, or conservation area.</li> <li>f. The use of the site should not have an adverse impact on residential amenity or existing buildings or uses, either by the <u>design</u>, close proximity, activities or operations on the site which would be detrimental to the surrounding area;</li> <li>g. Access to the site should not be detrimental to highway safety for vehicles and pedestrians, and should not conflict with other transportation policies or objectives.</li> <li>h. Proposals should incorporate a landscape strategy <u>and/or an environmental management plan</u> where appropriate.</li> </ul>

# Chapter 3 : Economic Development

ММ	72	EMP1	Amend policy text and sites			
			The following sites are identified and protected for business purposes, under use classes B1 and B8 (except where otherwise specified):			
			Area	Site	Site Area	
			Canterbury	Innovation Centre, University of Kent*	3.45ha	
				Broad Oak Road/ Vauxhall Road	<u>1.4</u>	
				Land at Sturry Road**	2.2ha	
				Canterbury West Station ***	0.4ha	
				Office Connection site, St. Andrews Close	<del>0.2ha</del>	
			Herne Bay	Eddington Lane (3 sites)	7.9ha	
				Altira Park	<u>7</u> <del>10</del> ha	
				Metric Site	<u>0.2</u> <del>05</del> ha	
			Whitstable	Land at Wraik Hill	3.4ha	
				Land at Joseph Wilson Business Park	2.5ha	
			Rural areas	Canterbury Business Park (Highland Court)	<u>1</u> <del>3</del> ha	
			permitted, prov is still utilised for completed floor B8 uses will be elsewhere in th the primary bu homes) will not *Class B1 only **Allocated for distribution) in institutions) ar generis" uses, nature and leve	Use Classes B1 (business), B8 ncluding trade counters, D1 (no nd D2 (assembly and leisure) and such as car showrooms, where the el of traffic generation would not un rt objectives in this area. Subject t	ty of the site than 10% of Class B1 and provided fo compromis il; residentia (storage & on-residentia certain "su e anticipate idermine the co the same	
			caveat, a mix c	of these uses or an element of A3/A	A	

			parking.
ММ	75	3.46	Amend text
			Since May 2013, the conversion of office space to residential use has been "permitted development" <u>and the conversion of</u> <u>storage or distribution centre to residential use is permitted</u> <u>development until 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018</u> . The Council recognises that this limits <u>the effectiveness in the short term of</u> Policy EMP4, <u>which will in relation not apply to conversion</u> to residential use <u>in many instances</u> . However, it remains the Council's preferred approach, supported by the conclusions of the Development Requirements Study and the Employment Land Review, and will be applied to other proposals <u>not covered by policies in the plan</u> <u>or the General Permitted Development Order</u> . This policy would <u>also apply if an article 4 direction was to be applied to any of the</u> <u>employment areas within Canterbury District</u> . If the <del>temporary</del> permitted development rights are discontinued, this Policy will be applied <u>to all applications within the areas identified on the</u> <u>proposals maps</u> . <u>residential uses as well</u> .
MM	76	EMP4	Amend policy text
			To support the wider economic strategy for the District, the Council:
			(a) will <u>only</u> not permit the loss of existing or allocated employment sites, as identified on the Proposals Map <del>, except</del> where:
			<ul> <li>It would be in compliance with the non-Class B provisions of Policy EMP1;</li> <li>Part redevelopment for other uses would trigger the development of one of the district's other key employment sites identified in the Plan;</li> <li>It would secure the reinvestment of an existing significant employer within the district; or</li> <li>It would meet identified community needs where no alternative provision is made in this plan.</li> <li>(b) will support the in-situ expansion and extension of existing businesses onto adjoining land, unless there is a significant environmental, amenity, landscape, transport or other planning reason why the expansion should not be supported.</li> </ul>
			(c) will not normally permit the loss change of use of office accommodation in the district to other uses, except in the following circumstances:
			<ul> <li>The building is to be used for other business purposes in accordance with the Council's wider economic strategy, such as for higher education</li> </ul>

			<ul> <li>purposes needing office space. Where planning consent is granted for higher education purposes, planning conditions will be applied to control future uses; or</li> <li>The property is a listed building or is of significant architectural or historic merit and the proposal will ensure the long term retention of the building; or</li> <li>The change of use would enable an existing business to invest and expand by relocating to a more appropriate site elsewhere in the District; and</li> <li>The accommodation needs of the existing occupiers have been met directly through the provision of appropriate floorspace in new development elsewhere in the District.</li> </ul>
	79	3.62	Amend text
			The <u>City</u> Council therefore supports the preparation of long- term strategies for the University sites, and will work with the Universities to facilitate their preparation. <u>The boundary of the campus of the University of Kent is shown on the Proposals</u> <u>Map. However, it is recognised that should the current</u> <u>masterplan process identify a need to include proposals beyond</u> the campus boundary, this could be dealt with through the planning process and the boundary may also be reconsidered when the Local Plan is reviewed. The <u>City</u> Council will also support and work to promote links between the Universities and local businesses, and <del>also</del> the development of new business ideas emerging from the Universities. Policy HD7 requires all future increases in academic or administrative floorspace resulting in an increase in student numbers to be matched by a corresponding increase in purpose-built accommodation.
ММ	80	EMP7	Amend policy text Within the campus of the University of Kent, identified on the proposals map, the <u>City</u> Council will support development of educational buildings for teaching and office space; student accommodation; business accommodation (compatible with the University's role in research and development and business innovation); sports facilities and other facilities directly related to the University's core business. The <u>City</u> Council will expect a masterplan to be prepared for the whole identified campus site, prior to any significant development within the site. Such a masterplan should maintain
			the campus character of the university; respect the setting of the site in the wider countryside; identify the key uses and their disposition within the site and any relocation of uses within the

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			wider campus area. It should also set out a landscape and biodiversity strategy for the whole site.
			Significant development proposals at the University will also be subject to updating of the University's Transport Impact Assessment, and a review of the University Travel Plan.
			The <u>City</u> Council will <del>also</del> grant planning permission for educational and ancillary uses <del>on those sites identified</del> within the campus boundary; subject to design, siting, <u>transport</u> and access considerations.
ММ	81	EMP9	Amend policy text
			The City Council will work with the Education Authority and other school <u>and education</u> providers to ensure that provision is made for educational needs <u>, including those</u> arising from new development <del>, and that appropriate mechanisms are secured through legal agreements to deliver this provision. Provision may be secured through legal agreements.</del>
ММ	82	EMP11	Amend policy text
			Developments within the Whitstable Harbour area as shown on the proposals map will be granted planning permission if they conform should have regard to the Whitstable Harbour Strategic Plan, to sustain a working harbour with an appropriate balance of operational uses and non-operational uses that are compatible with the maintenance of the operational capability of the harbour, subject to appropriate design and access considerations. Proposals that would undermine support this broad strategy will not normally be permitted. Proposals will also need to be considered against Policies SP7 and Policy TCL10.
ММ	82	EMP12	Amend policy text
			Subject to the development allocations set out in this Plan, <u>tThe</u> <u>City</u> Council will seek to protect <u>the</u> best and most versatile farmland for the longer term. Where <u>significant</u> development of <u>unallocated</u> agricultural land is demonstrated to be necessary to meet a housing, business or community need, planning <u>permission</u> <del>consent</del> will normally only <u>may</u> be granted on best and most versatile land if a suitable site <u>within</u> <u>the urban area or</u> on poorer quality land cannot be identified.
MM	85	EMP14	Amend policy text
			The <u>City</u> Council will grant planning permission for the

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	conversion of existing rural buildings, and well-designed new buildings and premises, that support the development and expansion of <u>rural</u> business in suitable locations in the rural areas, as follows:
	a) Preferably, in or on the edges of existing settlements;
	b) Conversions of existing buildings for business or tourism uses, including accommodation;
	c) Particular care should be exercised in the design of buildings and premises, where permitted within the north <u>Kent D</u> elowns <u>aArea</u> of <u>eOutstanding <u>eNatural</u> <u>bB</u>eauty, or where it involves the conversion of an historic building;</u>
	d) Access and parking provisions are acceptable and the use does not significantly increase traffic to the detriment of the area or highway safety;
	e) There is no detrimental impact on landscape interests, protected species, sites or features of nature conservation interest or on sites of architectural or historic importance, or their settings where appropriate; and
	f) There is no detrimental impact on residential amenity.
	The <u>City</u> Council will not normally support proposals that would <u>not</u> result in the loss of existing business premises that provide essential services to the rural areas.
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## Chapter 4: Town Centres and Leisure

MM	90	4.6	Amend text
			Retail Hierarchy and Network
			Canterbury City centre acts as a sub-regional centre for retail. : Retail development should be focused in the city centre to support its role as a shopping, leisure, cultural and tourism destination. The Council believes that the changes in national trends are likely to result in a continued increase in the demand for the City as a retail destination. Canterbury needs to make the most of this opportunity, encourage investment in the centre, attract more of the big retail names, support the independent sector and expand the centre to meet an identified retail need. It is essential that the Council seeks to safeguard its strong retail offer in the Primary Shopping Area and retain its position as an important sub-regional centre for retail and consumer services, providing for the needs of residents, students, workers, tourists and the visitor economy generally.

ММ	90	4.7	Amend text
			The district centres (Herne Bay and Whitstable) have a complementary role as part of the established retail hierarchy, serving the local population. They ensure a sustainable focus and pattern for development and their position within the retail hierarchy will continue to ensure they have opportunities to enhance and strengthen their role. The distinctive characteristics of each centre will be promoted, and there is clearly scope within both centres for making improvements to the public realm and shopping environment. The historic nature of Canterbury City Centre means that it is unable to expand like other centres as there are limited opportunities for growth. Canterbury is therefore supported by a network of other retail locations
MM	90	4.8	Amend text Whitstable, an important district centre for retail, with an unusual and successful retail offer of an independent and eclectic range of shops, needs to be carefully supported in maintaining its retail character. In order to meet the identified retail need and maintain Canterbury's positon as a sub-regional centre, a comprehensive retail-led scheme will be supported on land at the Wincheap Industrial Estate and Riverside Retail Park, as shown on the Proposals Map (Policy TCL7). It will include a substantial element of new comparison retail floorspace that is complementary to and well connected with the City Centre. Leisure, residential and business uses will also be permitted within the site, complimentary to its primary retail offer.
MM	90	4.9	Amend text The retail offer of Herne Bay, also dominated by independents, should benefit from regeneration efforts identified in the Herne Bay Area Action Plan, which seeks to improve the retail offer and increase the amount of consumer spending retained in the town. Whitstable and Herne Bay District Centres: Secondary retail centres that fulfil a complementary role to Canterbury City Centre in the established retail hierarchy. They serve the local population and ensure a sustainable focus and pattern for development and their position within the retail hierarchy will continue to ensure they have opportunities to enhance and strengthen this function. The distinctive characteristics of each centre will be promoted in Policy TCL8, and there is scope within both centres for making improvements to the public realm and shopping environment.

ММ	90	TCL (A)	New policy text	
			Policy TCL(A) Retail Hierarch	ц
			town centres, the Council w to proposals for retail, le Development should take p	iability and viability of the Districts' vill apply a town centre first approach isure and other town centre uses. lace at a scale appropriate to the size within which it is to be located. The follows:
			Retail Hierarchy	
			<u>City / Sub-Regional</u>	Canterbury City Centre
			<u>Centre</u>	
			District Centres	<u>Whitstable</u>
				Herne Bay
			Edge of Centre	<u>Wincheap</u> Industrial Estate (proposed Wincheap Retail Area (Policy TCL7))
			Out of Centre	Riverside Retail Park (Wincheap) Marshwood Industrial Estate Stour and Maybrook Retail Parks (Sturry Road)
			Local Centres	Wincheap (A28) Canterbury* St. Dunstan's, Canterbury Tankerton Road, Tankerton
				<u>Herne Bay Road / St Johns Road,</u> <u>Swalecliffe</u>
				<u>Sea Street, Herne Bay</u>
				Canterbury Road, Herne Bay
				Reculver Road, Beltinge
				Faversham Road, Seasalter
			Larger Villages	<u>Barham</u>
				<u>Blean</u>
				<u>Bridge</u>
				<u>Chartham</u>

			_	Hersden <u>Sturry</u> <u>Littlebourne</u> of retail and other services located it excludes the Wincheap Industrial plicy TCL7
MM	91	TCL1	granted for development of they respond to changing need a and viability of the town economy, except where the with other policies or other e The Council will seek to enh diversity of town centre use particular uses that would h function of an area or to th frontage or locality. Development proposals with	hance the established character and es, and avoid over-concentration of be detrimental to the character and he vitality or viability of a shopping thin town centres should be of an dance with its function and that
ММ	92	4.16	Canterbury City, Whitstable intended primarily for A1 (s retail offer and accessible s healthy and thriving town retail uses can in most in <u>Secondary</u> Shopping Fronta contribute to vitality and via	ed Primary Shopping Frontages in e and Herne Bay. These areas are shops) use, to ensure a competitive shopping core, which will underpin centres. Alternative retail and non- nstances be located in the Mixed ages or wider town centre and still ability. The Council will continue to cancies. This will be a relevant

ММ	93	TCL2	Amend policy text
			Policy TCL2 Primary Shopping Frontages Within the Primary Shopping Frontages are designated at <u>Canterbury, Herne Bay and Whitstable as shown on the</u> <u>Proposals Map.</u>
			The Council will strongly encourage proposals that promote A1 uses which strengthen the retail function as well as the appearance and character of the Primary Shopping Frontages. ‡The change of use of ground floor premises from Class A1 shops to other uses will only be permitted where:
			(a) It can be shown that the premises is no longer needed for A1 use and the retention of A1 use at the premises have been fully explored, without success, by way of active marketing at a reasonable rate for a period of at least 12 months in Canterbury or at least 6 months in Herne Bay and Whitstable; and
			(b) The proposed change of use does not have an unacceptable impact on the retail function of the frontage, on the attractiveness, or on the vitality and viability of the primary shopping frontage, <u>including</u> or on pedestrian circulation to nearby streets.
			Alternatively, a <u>A</u> n exception may be made where the proposal would clearly be beneficial to the vitality and viability of the primary retail function of the frontage.
ММ	93 -94	4.23	Amend text
			Mixed Secondary Shopping Frontages
			Within the <u>Mixed Secondary</u> Shopping Frontages a mix of uses will be acceptable (including retail, professional and financial services, restaurants, cafes and bars), where this does not harm the vitality, attractiveness and viability of the shopping function of the area. <u>Therefore</u> , <u>Ww</u> ithin these <u>Mixed Secondary</u> Shopping Frontages, therefore, the Council will encourage an active mix of uses, and resist the loss of retail (A1-A5) uses to residential or other non-retail uses. It is important that active frontages / shopfronts are maintained so that the <u>Mixed Secondary</u> Shopping Frontage remains active and no areas of dead frontage are created, thereby isolating units further away. Care will be

			taken to avoid excessive concentrations of single uses that could cause amenity issues and affect the main shopping focus.
MM	94	4.25	Amend text Planning proposals for a change of use <u>from A1 (shops)</u> to A2 (financial and professional services) excluding banks and building societies, A3 (restaurants and cafes), A4 (drinking establishments), or A5 (hot food takeaways) will need to be carefully considered against <u>pP</u> olicy TCL3. Particular attention should be given to avoiding the clustering of non-A1 uses where this is detrimental to the attractiveness of the centre in accordance with Policy TCL1. Within the <u>Mixed Secondary</u> shopping areas of Canterbury, Whitstable and Herne Bay, the <u>City</u> Council will support measures to protect and promote the charm and convenience of the independent retail sector. The Council will continue to monitor town centre vacancies. This will be a relevant consideration in the application of Policy TCL3. In the case of St Peters Street, additional flexibility is provided through Policy TCL4.
MM	94	TCL3	<ul> <li>Amend policy text</li> <li>Policy TCL3 Mixed Secondary Shopping Frontages</li> <li>Mixed Secondary Shopping Frontages are designated at Canterbury, Herne Bay and Whitstable as shown on the Proposals Map. <u>The Council will strongly encourage proposals that promote a mix of A1 to A5 uses and that maintain a Secondary Shopping Frontage.</u></li> <li>Changes of use of ground floor premises in these areas between the A use class will be permitted where the proposed use: <ul> <li>(a) Retains an active shop front and maintains or enhances the vitality, attractiveness and viability of the shopping area;</li> <li>(b) Is complementary to the shopping function of the area and provides a direct service to the public; and</li> <li>(c) Does not result in an over concentration of suchlike uses in the area <u>and contributes to an appropriate mix and diverse retail offer.</u></li> </ul> </li> <li>Change of use to residential or other non-retail uses will not normally be permitted.</li> </ul>

ММ	95	4.28	Delete text
			Any pedestrian enhancements and alterations to traffic flow in the Westgate Towers area should contribute to improving the pedestrian experience and increasing pedestrian footfall at St Peters Street and St Dunstans Street. Any future scheme should be fully evaluated prior to implementation.
мм	96	TCL5	Amend text
			Policy TLC5: Local Centres
			The Council will protect and improve the provision of retail uses and other uses that meet local needs in the designated local centres and the Canterbury City areas of Wincheap, and St Dunstans. Planning permission will <del>only</del> be granted for a change of use from a retail shop or other community use if:
			<ul> <li>a) The proposed use does not threaten the vitality and viability of the local centre;</li> <li>b) The proposed use is not detrimental to residential amenity;</li> <li>c) The proposed use does not jeopardise the balance and variety of services available in the local centre to meet the needs of the local community;</li> <li>d) There is evidence to demonstrate that there is no demand for the continued use of the premises for retail or community uses; and</li> <li>e) The use is no longer viable and the property has been actively marketed at a reasonable rate for a period of at least 12 months.</li> </ul>
			adjacent to local centres will be permitted where the proposals meet a local need, widen the choice, quality or range of shopping or community facilities, and are of a scale appropriate to the function of that particular centre.
мм	98	4.41	Amend text
			The Council will apply the sequential test to main town centre uses in the following order:
			<ul> <li>Primary Shopping Area (or designated retail frontages in coastal towns);</li> <li>Town Centre locations;</li> <li>Edge of centre locations (within 300m of the Primary Shopping Area in Canterbury and town centre boundary in Herne Bay and Whitstable);</li> <li>Retail Nodes (in Canterbury);</li> </ul>
			Out of Centre locations.

MM	98	4.42	Amend text
			Proposals at out of centre locations will only be permitted if suitable sites are not sequentially available in Primary Shopping
			Areas, town centre, or edge of centre locations or designated
			retail nodes. Preference will be given to accessible sites that are
			well connected to the town centre.
ММ	99	4.45	Amend text
			In the case of existing retail warehouses that are effectively limited to bulky goods, the Council will resist pressures to broaden out the range of goods permitted to be sold. This is to protect the vitality and viability of the City centre but it would also help retain the availability of units for bulky goods sales. If proposals come before the Council for relaxing the restrictions on the range of goods to be sold, then they should meet the requirements of policy TCL6 below. 929 sqm (10,000 sq ft) has commonly been used as part of conditions in the Canterbury District as the threshold below which bulky goods units units
			should not be subdivided or at which bulky goods conditions
			have been attached.
ММ	99	TCL6	Amend policy text
			Policy TCL6: Main Town Centre Uses
			Planning permission for main town centre uses outside the defined identified town centre boundaries boundary, or Primary Shopping Area/frontage in the case of retail uses, will not be granted unless where the applicant has successfully demonstrated:
			(a) That there are no other more suitably located and available sites nearer to the <u>identified</u> town centres or Primary Shopping Area (as relevant for Canterbury City Centre) for the town centre use(s) proposed for A1 retail uses, using a sequential approach to site identification;
			(b) Flexibility in terms of format and scale;
			(c) The site is accessible <u>and well connected to the town centre through</u> <del>and convenient to</del> a range of transport modes other than the car, including good local public transport services <u></u> , <del>and</del> walking and cycling; and
			(d) The proposed development does not have a significant detrimental effect on the highway network in terms of congestion, road safety and pollution.

			<ul> <li>When assessing applications for retail, leisure and office development—main town centre uses—outside the identified centre boundaries, which are not in accordance with the adopted Local Plan, and with a floorspace that meets or exceeds 920sqm 2,500sqm, the Council will also require an impact assessment. Should any retail proposal come forward that exceeds the total identified retail capacity, as outlined in Policy SP2, an impact test will be required on the net additional floorspace. An Impact assessment which will include an assessment of:</li> <li>(e) The impact of the development on existing, committed and planned public and private investment (including regeneration schemes) in a centre or centres in the catchment area of the proposal;</li> <li>(f) The impact of the proposal on town centre vitality and viability, including local consumer choice and trade in the town centre and wider area, up to five years (ten for major schemes) from the time the application is made.; and</li> <li>(g) Effect on the vitality and viability of other town centres and identified local centres within the catchment area of the proposal.</li> <li>Development that fails the sequential approach to development or gives rise to significant adverse impacts will be refused.</li> </ul>
MM	100	4.47	Amend text Diversification of the Retail Offer and <u>The Wincheap Retail Area</u> and Meeting <u>the</u> Retail Need The comparison (non-food) retail need identified for Canterbury City is significant. In order to maintain Canterbury's current role and competitive position in the retail hierarchy it follows that the Council should seek to meet this need. <u>The NPPF states that Local Planning Authorities should: "allocate a</u> range of suitable sites to meet the scale and type of retail, leisure, <u>commercial</u> , community services and residential development needed in town centres. It is important that retail and leisure <u>needs are met in full and are not compromised by limited site</u> availability. Local planning authorities should therefore undertake an assessment of the need to expand town centres to ensure a <u>sufficient supply of suitable sites"</u> .

ММ	100	4.48	Amend text
			The NPPF states that Local Planning Authorities should: "allocate a
			range of suitable sites to meet the scale and type of retail, leisure,
			commercial, community services and residential development
			needed in town centres. It is important that retail and leisure
			needs are met in full and are not compromised by limited site
			availability. Local planning authorities should therefore undertake
			an assessment of the need to expand town centres to ensure a
			sufficient supply of suitable sites".
			The Canterbury Retail and Leisure Study (2015) prepared by GL
			Hearn included a quantitative retail capacity assessment which
			identified capacity across the Canterbury District for 33,800 sqm
			of net comparison floorspace by 2031. This is a reduction from
			the 50,000sqm advised by DTZ in 2011.
			The 2015 study also indicates that Canterbury's catchment has been contracting since 2011, indicating a slight diminution in its regional performance. Therefore, the Council has opted to pursue a commercial and defensive approach to its retail strategy that seeks to protect and consolidate Canterbury's position in the retail hierarchy as a sub-regional centre by meeting the identified need in full.
MM	100	4.49	Amend text
			Given the historic City is more constrained than most centres, the significant comparison retail capacity identified and the lack of suitable City centre sites to accommodate this need, the council needs to make a significant retail allocation in a suitable location.
			The NPPF advocates priority for retail in town centres in the first instance. However, whilst the character and heritage aspects of the City are of major benefit to Canterbury's economic success as a retail destination, they also act as a constraint on the future development potential of the Primary Shopping Area.
			<u>GL Hearn's Sequential Assessment and Wincheap Capacity Study</u> (2016) estimated that in the order of 8,500 sqm net of the capacity identified could potentially be accommodated through commitments and sequential sites across the District. In accord with the NPPF this leaves approximately 25,000 sqm net of floorspace still to be accommodated.
			Advice received from DTZ in the Retail and Leisure Strategy (2011) and supported by the updated guidance by GL Hearn (2015) recommends that the Council should focus on the higher quality and specialist retail and leisure operators within the city centre, providing an holistic offer for resident and visitor markets and identifying opportunities for a satellite retail in an edge or out of

			centre location. This should be that offers a genuinely complementary function to the Canterbury City eCentre. Whilst it is anticipated that this can be best achieved by catering more for bulky goods and large format/mass market retailers and leisure operators, (conditioned appropriately), ensuring a focus on high quality and specialist retailers in the City centre. The NPPF clearly indicates a priority for retail in town centres in the first instance. the gap analysis by GL Hearn identifies a number of town centre retailers that are present in comparable cathedral cities but not Canterbury. Therefore, in order to maintain its position within the retail hierarchy some additional town centre floorspace / uses may also need to form part of any future proposals provided the requirements of Policy TCL6 can be satisfied. To maintain Canterbury's current role and competitive position in the retail hierarchy it follows that the Council should seek to meet this need through Policy TCL7 "The Wincheap Retail Area". Whilst the Sequential Assessment identified some capacity elsewhere in the District there is no guarantee that these sites would be available, deliverable or that retail would be the sole use. Therefore, Policy TCL7 allows accommodation of up to 33,800 sqm net floorspace to inject a degree of flexibility and certainty in terms of meeting the retail needs of the District as identified in the GL Hearn Retail Study.
MM	100	4.50	Amend text The Wincheap Retail Area (currently the Wincheap Industrial Estate and Riverside Retail Park) close to the Park and Ride, and within walking distance of the City centre, is well placed to act as a satellite retail area. It must, however, have a complementary retail function, catering for more mass market and large format retailers. There is already substantial retail floorspace on the estate and a target additional net retail floorspace of 50,000sqm should be provided. Any redevelopment should seek to provide alternative premises for existing occupiers of the estate where possible. Redevelopment should at Wincheap as envisaged in Policy TCL7 would make the best of the advantages of the <u>current industrial</u> estate as a brownfield location, including its position on one of the main entrances into the City, the presence of Canterbury East train station, <u>Park and Ride facilities</u> and major bus routes, its proximity to the new Canterbury - Chartham <u>riverside</u> footpath / cycle path and its close relationship to the historic City; an important sub-regional retail centre. <u>It is anticipated that the planned redevelopment of the Wincheap</u> Industrial Estate as a retail area will be managed in a phased
			approach. This would aim to match the delivery of floorspace to the capacity forecasts for each of the five-yearly periods as set out in Policy SP2. The City Council will review the retail capacity of the District approximately every 5 years and any future studies will become a material consideration, ensuring that the scale of

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			development is calibrated to any future update of the capacity assessment. Any retail or leisure application that seeks to provide floorspace over and above the level of provision identified in Policy SP2 for any of the phased period(s) should be accompanied by an Impact Assessment for the additional floorspace. This approach will ensure that no significant adverse impact on Canterbury or other centres should arise as stipulated by the NPPF.
			An overarching masterplan for the Wincheap Retail Area will be prepared by Canterbury City Council and/or its appointed agent in order to guide development proposals. In turn it is envisaged that separate Development Principles documents will be prepared preceding each phase. These will consider the relevant policies, material considerations, future floorspace capacity projections and design codes. The Development Principles document will also seek to identify potential alternative premises for existing occupiers not considered complementary to the new development proposals or those who may not wish to remain within a new scheme prior to the commencement of each phase. Until the development proposals are known in detail, it is not possible to do this as it would be highly speculative and subject to change given the Local Plan period and fluidity of the property market.
ММ	100	4.51	Amend text <u>Any redevelopment proposals for</u> A planned redevelopment of the
			estate Wincheap Retail Area should incorporate a high quality design and enhanced environment, a traffic management scheme <u>as detailed in Policy T11</u> that would ensure essential improvements to traffic flow on Wincheap; (including a new off-slip from the A2, and a relief route for Wincheap itself) and a mix of complementary retail, leisure, <del>and</del> business <u>and possibly some residential</u> uses. The Council will encourage a residential element to the scheme where that helps deliver the Council's priorities, and is located and designed in such a way that it is not incompatible with leisure uses.
ММ	101	4.52	Amend text A master planning exercise will inform the preparation of a development brief for the Wincheap Retail Area. Any development should be sympathetic to the adjacent to the residential properties whilst on Wincheap should pay regard the scale of the residential context. Pproposals adjacent to the open
			space on the Great Stour should also pay regard to its wildlife and landscape quality. This area of habitat is designated as a Local Wildlife Site and Area of High Landscape Value and will be safeguarded. The development brief proposals should also

			respond to flooding risks in the locality.
ММ	101	4.53	Amend text The Council <u>as majority landowner</u> will look to promote the improvement of Wincheap itself through the re-development of the existing estate, and highway improvements in particular. <u>Part of the S.106 agreement for planning permission</u> <u>CA/15/01479/OUT includes, amongst other items, the provision</u> <u>of an east bound slip road off the A2. The east bound A2 slip</u> <u>being the major highways infrastructure requirement necessary</u> to support the comprehensive redevelopment of the Wincheap <u>Retail Area.</u> The line of proposed new road infrastructure to relieve Wincheap of the in-bound traffic is safeguarded on the Proposals Map.
MM	101	TCL7	Amend policy text Policy TCL7 Wincheap Retail Area The Wincheap Retail Area, as shown on the proposals map, will be <u>regenerated and</u> developed <u>predominantly</u> as a <del>satellite area</del> <u>retail area</u> , complementary to <del>of</del> the existing Canterbury City <u>Centre offer</u> , to include larger format focused on retail and leisure provision. The City Council and / or its <u>appointed agent will prepare a Masterplan in accordance</u> with the total requirements of this policy and other relevant <u>Local Plan Policies</u> . The Council will facilitate the implementation of a comprehensive <u>retail-led</u> mixed-use redevelopment. Any scheme <u>proposals</u> will be required to: (a) <del>substantially a</del> <u>A</u> ccommodate <u>up to 33,800sqm (net) of</u> <del>the</del> large format <u>comparison</u> retail and leisure floorspace <u>as</u> identified by the <u>Wincheap Retail Development Brief</u> <del>during the plan period <u>Canterbury Retail and Leisure Study</u> <u>2015</u>; and (b) <u>f</u><u>Form an effective, and functional <del>and</del> <u>retail location that is</u> complementary <del>satellite centre of</del> <u>to the</u> Canterbury City <u>Centre</u> offer and <del>which</del><u>that</u> complies with the <u>requirements of Policy TCL6</u>; and (c) <u>p</u><u>P</u>rovide improved, attractive and convenient pedestrian links with Canterbury <u>eC</u>ity <u>eC</u>entre: and (d) <u>eC</u>ontribute towards a package of transport improvements <u>as set out in Policy T11.</u> Redevelopment of any <u>discrete</u> part of the Wincheap Retail</u></del>

			Area must not impede the successful implementation of the <u>overarching comprehensive</u> retail and leisure-led redevelopment <u>aspirations</u> <u>scheme</u> and <u>must also</u> contribute financially to the overall delivery of <del>transport</del> and <u>pedestrian infrastructure as indicated in the</u> <u>Development Brief</u> the Wincheap Traffic Management <u>Scheme</u> . The location and design <del>of new</del> <u>of any new business and/or</u> residential development identified as <u>a necessary</u> <u>requirement to ensure the sustainable regeneration of the</u> <u>area, or as</u> essential to <u>the</u> viability of the <u>overall</u> scheme, must be compatible with the primary retail and leisure function of the site.
MM	103	4.60	<ul> <li>Amend text</li> <li>An attractive and accessible public realm benefits visitor perceptions, assists the safe movement of pedestrians and improves town centre vitality. A strategy will be developed for appropriate schemes that builds on the Council's document titled: "Streets as Destinations: Canterbury City of Imagination Public Realm Strategy" (2008). Options that may be explored include:</li> <li>Wincheap Roundabout and Castle Street to improve the connection between retail at Wincheap and the City Centre;</li> <li>St Georges Roundabout to Canterbury East to ensure high quality development and pedestrian experience at this prominent ring-road location;</li> <li>St Georges Roundabout and the quality of the pedestrian linkages between the three constituent parts of the World Heritage Site;</li> <li>St Georges Street;</li> <li>Riverside links from Northgate to the coach park;</li> <li>St Dunstans Street, <u>St Peter's</u> and the West Gate;</li> <li>Memorial Park, Herne Bay;</li> <li>Central Development Area, Herne Bay (through the Area Action Plan 2010)</li> <li>Whitstable Harbour.</li> </ul>
мм	103	TCL9	Amend policy text Policy TCL9: Environment Public Realm Improvement Areas The Council will identify Environmental Public Realm Improvement Areas within the Canterbury District. Within these areas the Council will seek environmental improvements that

			<ul> <li>benefit physical and visual connections and enhance the environment through the use of, landscape and surface treatments, street furniture and signage.</li> <li>Opportunities for the integration of high quality public art should be pursued, and treatment of the public realm should be informed by the heritage values of the place, where appropriate.</li> </ul>
MM	105	TCL10	Amend policy text
			TCL10 Mixed Use Development
			Within (and around) the town centre, new large developments and development within commercial frontages should incorporate a mix of uses (including residential and / or office uses on upper floors where practicable), which will make a more efficient use of land and add to the vitality of the area. Within the Primary Shopping Frontages, a mixed use retail development shall not result in the overall loss of A1 retail floorspace at ground floor level.
			In addition to new sites coming forward in town centres, the following sites are allocated for mixed use development with an indication of the types of uses that would be appropriate as part of the development. <u>Where retail</u> and/or leisure uses are proposed, these should satisfy the requirements of Policy TCL6.
			Canterbury
			<ul> <li>(a) White Horse Lane: retail, residential, community uses;</li> <li>(b) Roger Britton Carpets, 190 Wincheap: retail and residential;</li> <li>(c) Kingsmead: retail, leisure and business and residential;</li> <li>(d) Peugeot Garage: student housing, office/commercial, leisure and education.</li> </ul>
			Whitstable
			<ul> <li>(e) The Warehouse, Sea Street: residential or offices or hotel, with public open space;</li> <li>(f) Whitstable Harbour: fishing, industrial, office / business, leisure and parking</li> </ul>
			Development of those sites listed above will need to conform to the associated adopted Development Briefs or

			agreed development principles. shall have regard to any relevant masterplans, development briefs or guidance.
Chapter	5 : Transpo	rt Infrastructu	re
MM	113	5.21	Amend text
			Planning policies have encouraged a balance of land uses so that people have been encouraged to minimise journey lengths for employment, shopping, leisure, education and other activities. Development has only been prevented or refused on transport grounds where the residual cumulative impacts of development are severe. When considering providing public car parking and controlling the level of parking the <u>City</u> Council will <u>have regard</u> <u>to refer to</u> the Parking Strategy as set out in the Canterbury Draft Transport Strategy. <u>Over the plan period the City Council propose to dispose of some of the smaller city centre car parks</u> <u>and replace them at other locations including at Park and Ride</u> <u>sites, having regard to the overall supply.</u>
ММ	114	T1	Amend policy text
			Policy T1 Transport Strategy
			In considering the location of new development, or the relocation of existing activities, the Council will always take account of the following principles of the Draft Transport Strategy:
			a. Controlling the level and environmental impact of vehicular traffic including air quality;
			b. Providing alternative modes of transport to the car by extending provision for pedestrians, cyclists and the use of public transport;
			c. Reducing cross-town traffic movements in the historic centre of Canterbury;
			d. Providing public car parking and controlling <del>parking in accordance with <u>having</u> regard to</del> the Parking Strategy;
			e. Assessing development proposals in the light of transport demands and the scope for choice between transport modes; and
			f. Seeking the construction of new roads and/or junction improvements which will improve environmental conditions

			and/or contribute towards the economic well-being of the District.
MM	117	5.29	Amend text Cycling has much to offer as a means of transport, particularly for local journeys as it has little environmental impact, keeps you fit, is affordable and also takes up less road space than the private car. Canterbury already has a good cycle network and more routes are identified in the Canterbury District Draft Transport Strategy, these are necessary to make cycling a sustainable alternative to the car. All new development will look to provide traffic free segregated cycle routes with residential streets that are safe for cycling through low vehicle speeds. Cycle parking will be provided in all new developments <del>as per</del> <u>having regard</u> to the <u>local</u> standards set out in <u>Appendix xxxx of</u> <u>the Canterbury District Local Plan</u> the Kent Medway Structure <del>Plan Supplementary Planning Guidance 4 (SPG4) and Code for</del> <del>Sustainable Homes Technical Guide.</del> New cycling routes are also identified as part of the strategic site allocations and where provided, Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Rural Streets and Lanes : a Design Handbook (2009) adopted by Kent County Council, should be referred to.
MM	121	T8	<ul> <li>Amend policy text</li> <li>The Council will require any future proposals for a park and ride at Whitstable to meet the criteria as set out below : <ul> <li>a. Minimise the visual impact in respect of the location, layout and design of the development;</li> <li>b. Ensure that the development will not have a significant adverse effect on the amenity of local residents;</li> <li>c. Development which would materially harm scientific or nature conservation interests, either directly, indirectly or cumulatively is mitigated and any impacts can be adequately <u>avoided</u>, <u>mitigated or</u> compensated;</li> <li>d. Any proposals will be expected to meet the aims of design policies DBE3 and DBE13.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
ММ	121	5.46	Amend text Kent County Council will apply Kent County Council's residential parking standard IGN3 or any subsequent guidance. For all other developments the City Council will apply SPG4 and the Code for Sustainable Homes Technical Guidance, convenient, secure, covered and where possible complemented by showering and changing facilities for cyclists. Government Policy no longer requires local authorities to set maximum parking standards.

			Instead, local authorities are encouraged to develop locally appropriate standards taking into account factors such as the availability of public transport and local car ownership levels. The local parking standards are set out in Appendix xxxx of this Local Plan.
MM	121	Т9	Amend policy text
			The City Council will apply Kent County Council's residential parking standard IGN3 or any subsequent guidance. For all other developments The City Council will apply the local parking standards as set out in Appendix 5 of this Local Plan SPG4 or subsequent guidance. Cycle parking, Wwhere provided, will also be as per the local standards cycle parking should be convenient, secure, covered and where possible complemented by showering and changing facilities, as set out in Appendix xxxx SPG4 and the Code for Sustainable Homes Technical Guide convenient, secure, covered and where possible complemented by showering and changing facilities.
MM	124	T13	Amend policy text
			The Council will require the provision of an A291 Herne Relief Road as identified on the Proposals Map as an integral part of new development as set out in Policy SP3. Any development proposals that might prejudice this route will be resisted. Contributions to this relief road will may be sought from appropriate developments.
MM	124	5.54	Amend text
			New mixed use development sites have been allocated at Sturry/Broad Oak and Hersden which lie within the A28 corridor. The A28 through Sturry suffers from congestion due the high levels of traffic and the operation of the level crossing at Sturry. Whilst sustainable modes like walking, cycling and public transport will be provided for by these new sites, it is accepted that the new development will still create additional traffic. Any further significant development in this area will be required to improve and mitigate the effects of this additional traffic by provision of/or proportionate contribution to New development sites allocated in Herne Bay, Sturry, Broad Oak and Hersden will be required to fund a Sturry Relief Road that avoids the level crossing by providing with a new road bridge, including a bus lane over the railway line <u>or other associated improvements to</u> <u>the A28 corridor.</u> The City Council will enter into appropriate legal agreements with the relevant site owners/agents to ensure that the Sturry relief road is delivered at an appropriate point with fair and proportionate contributions from all relevant

			developments.			
Chapter	Chapter 6: Tourism and Visitor Economy					
ММ	133	TV1	Amend policy text Policy TV1 Cultural and Arts Facilities Proposals for cultural or arts facilities will be encouraged, particularly where they are located within or close to town centres or public transport nodes or where new public places are created. The Council will encourage and grant planning permission for development that adds diversity to or improves the cultural development or heritage of the District. Such considerations will be subject to relevant design policies and Policy TCL4 and the environmental and traffic management implications.			
			All large development proposals should seek to promote include public art as part of the overall design strategy. directly in the design of new developments and through the payment of a financial contribution secured through a section 106 agreement or another suitable mechanism such as CIL.			
MM	138	TV5	<ul> <li>Amend policy text</li> <li>Any proposal for Marina provision and associated facilities will only be permitted if : <ul> <li>a. The relevant design policies are adhered to ;</li> <li>b. A transport assessment has been carried out in order to assess the transport impact on the local road network and any mitigation or infrastructure measures arising from the transport assessment are completed before the development begins;</li> <li>c. The development would not result in any increased risk of flooding elsewhere, and any mitigation measures are completed in advance of the development;</li> <li>d. A full and detailed Habitats Regulations Assessment has been carried out to establish the impact on the surrounding internationally important sites for wildlife, such as Special Protection Area (SPA), Special Area for Conservation (SAC) and Ramsar;</li> <li>e. Development which would materially harm the scientific or nature conversation interests, either directly, indirectly or cumulatively of the Sites of Special</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			

			Scientific Interest (SSSI) and areas of known nature conservation interest is mitigated and any impacts can be adequately compensated; f. If the proposals relate to Whitstable Harbour, any development does not undermine the Harbour Strategy to maintain a working harbour. <u>The City Council will expect a Masterplan or Development Brief</u> to be prepared in accordance with the relevant Local Plan <u>Policies.</u>
ММ	139	TV6	Amend policy text
			Policy TV6 Reculver Country Park
			Proposals to further enhance the attraction of Reculver and develop Reculver Country Park (as shown on the proposals map, Inset 1) as a quality attraction for visitors, in particular open air recreational proposals, will be permitted by the Council. Any proposals would be subject to design, visual and environmental impacts, including meeting habitat regulations requirements and ensuring suitable access arrangements.
			Any future development at Reculver will need to meet <u>have</u> <u>regard to</u> the aims of the Reculver Masterplan.

## Chapter 7: Climate Change, Flooding, Coastal Change and Water Resources

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MM7.1	144	box	Amend text:
			Council responses to Climate change
			Action to reduce the Canterbury District's impact on climate change will include:
			<ul> <li>giving priority to development in urban or edge of urban locations that are well served by sustainable forms of transport; and</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>ensuring development encourages and improves access to these sustainable forms of transport; and</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>encouraging walking, cycling and the use of public transport; and</li> </ul>

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			<ul> <li>promoting developments that generate renewable energy; and</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>encouraging Combined Heat and Power local renewable and low carbon energy schemes at strategic development sites; and</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>designing development to increase energy efficiency and reduce energy consumption and carbon emissions: and,</li> </ul>
			• <u>undertaking an assessment of the District to ascertain,</u> <u>and where appropriate, allocate suitable sites for wind</u> <u>energy development and wind turbines in either a</u> <u>Development Plan Document or a review of the Local</u> <u>Plan.</u>
			Action to adapt to expected climate change will include:
			<ul> <li>giving preference to development of previously developed land where this is sustainably located;</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>encouraging environments that promote biodiversity and a green infrastructure network;</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>locating and designing development to eliminate unacceptable flood risk;</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>ensuring that there is no inappropriate development at designated coastal</li> <li>Overtagging Zapas and Capstal Protection Zapas</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Overtopping Zones and Coastal Protection Zones experiencing erosion;</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>adopting sustainable drainage systems; and</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>designing development to ensure water efficiency is an integral part of design.</li> </ul>
ММ	145	7.8	Amend text
			The Council will <u>anticipates</u> prepareing a Sustainable Construction and Renewable Energy <u>Supplementary Planning</u> Document, which will provide more information on the available opportunities and constraints relating to large scale renewable energy or low carbon energy installations. Proposals for renewable and low carbon energy will be supported where they respond positively to the opportunities identified, especially small-scale community-led initiatives for wind schemes, solar clubs and the use of biomass. Consideration of proposals will include
			installations. Proposals for renewable and low carbon energy will be supported where they respond positively to the opportunities identified, especially small-scale

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			assessments of public health and safety and impacts on landscape, air quality, biodiversity, historic environment and residential amenity. <u>The Council will also assess the suitability of areas within the</u> district for wind energy development including single
			turbines and wind farms. The work done by Kent County Council in Renewable Energy for Kent (2012) will be used as a basis for the study. Where sites are considered suitable the local community will be consulted and where appropriate sites will be allocated, and relevant policies developed, in either: a review of the Local Plan, or, a specific adopted Development Plan Document. Until that time any application for wind energy development will be assessed in accordance with the Written Ministerial Statement (HCWS42) and the briefing paper Planning for Onshore Wind (House of Commons, June 2015). Sites for wind energy development can also be allocated within neighbourhood plans.
MM	146	CC1	Amend policy text
			<ul> <li>Policy CC1 Renewable and Low Carbon Energy <u>Production</u> Development (apart from wind energy development)</li> <li>Proposals for the utilisation, distribution and development of renewable and low-carbon sources of energy, including freestanding installations, will be encouraged in appropriate locations. In considering such proposals, the Council will give significant weight to their environmental, community and economic benefits, alongside consideration of public health and safety and impacts on biodiversity, air quality, landscape character, the historic environment, residential amenity of the surrounding area and the protection of the best and most versatile agricultural land. Specific considerations are outlined in Policy DBE2.</li> <li>Permission will only be granted for large scale or commercial renewable and low carbon energy installations and associated equipment and buildings if there are commitments to ensure their removal after the use has ceased and land restored to its previous use and, where relevant, productive condition.</li> <li>Until suitable sites are allocated for wind energy development any applications for wind farms or wind turbines will assessed in accordance with the Written Ministerial Statement (HCWS42) and the briefing paper Planning for Onshore Wind (House of Commons, June 2015).</li> </ul>

ММ	146 - 147	7.12	Amend text
			The final shape of the Government's Zero Carbon Homes Standard will be was due to be determined by the Government for implementation in 2016. It is likely was anticipated to require all carbon dioxide emissions arising from energy use regulated under Building Regulations to be abated from 2016. Regulated energy may derive from sources such as fixed heating, hot water, ventilation and fixed lighting and other fixed building services (but does not include appliances such as white goods). It is was expected that to meet the <u>a</u> Zero Carbon Standard, each home would needs to meet minimum standards for fabric performance (Fabric Energy Efficiency Standard), on site carbon compliance and then achieve zero carbon emissions from regulated energy use (Okg $CO_2$ per m <sup>2</sup> ) which iswas expected to be achieved via the use of Allowable Solutions <u>The</u> <u>Government has now indicated that it does not intend to move</u> forward with the implementation of Allowable Solutions. Irrespective of whether this zero carbon target is brought into force, the Council will expect all development to make carbon savings. When seeking to reduce carbon emissions all development should take account of the following energy hierarchy:
			<b>Fabric Energy Efficiency</b> : Achieving <u>improvements in the</u> minimum standard for fabric energy efficiency is a key first stage in meeting the Zero Carbon Standard. The fabric energy efficiency of a home is determined by the annual space heating and cooling demand in KWh per m <sup>2</sup> , assessed using the Standard <u>A</u> ssessment Procedure (SAP).
			<b>Carbon Compliance:</b> Beyond Once improvements to complying with minimum level of fabric energy efficiency have been made the next step is the Zero Carbon Standard requires a specific reducing the level of on-site CO <sub>2</sub> emissions to be achieved. This is termed carbon compliance and again calculated using SAP. The Dwelling CO <sub>2</sub> Emission Rate includes efficiency of energy supply and the type of fuel used as well as energy requirement in the calculation. This second stage should demonstrate the use of on-site low and zero carbon energy technologies for heat and power. This could include electric power generation from photovoltaics and wind generators, and heat from biomass and wind pumps. It could include microgeneration on individual homes up to development-scale district heat or CHP systems.
			Allowable Solutions: Allowable Solutions is the overarching term for the carbon offsetting process and the various measures which house builders may support to achieve the zero carbon standard from 2016. Where energy efficiency and carbon compliance are unable to achieve the required carbon savings through on-site measures, developers can meet their commitments off-site at a cost no higher than the

			government's long term value of carbon. This might include contribution to a carbon offsetting fund to enable investment in high quality low and zero carbon community projects.
MM	147	7.13	Amend text It may not be possible for new development to achieve zero carbon by energy efficiency measures and carbon compliance alone and the developer will need to look to Allowable Solutions. From 2016 (and specified further as part of the preparation of a Sustainable Construction and Renewable Energy SPD), the Council will accept contributions to a carbon offsetting fund to enable investment in high quality low and zero carbon community projects, which could include programmes to improve the energy efficiency of the existing housing stock The <u>City</u> Council will focus on Energy Efficiency and Carbon Compliance, adopting the <u>any</u> Government's <del>agreed</del> -national standards for Energy Efficiency, <u>-and</u> Carbon Compliance, <u>and if implemented</u> and permitting_the use of Allowable Solutions to meet the zero carbon target.
ММ	147	7.15	Amend text An Energy Statement should could be submitted as part of the 'Sustainability Statement' required to accompany planning applications by policy <u>DBE1_DBE6</u> and <u>its</u> supporting <u>text</u> paragraphs. As part of its Sustainable Construction and Renewable Energy SPD and Community Infrastructure Levy, the Council will establish a Community Renewable Energy Fund to administer and account for carbon credits and other funds generated through Allowable Solutions.
MM	148	CC2	Amend policy textDevelopment in the Canterbury District should include proportionate measures to reduce carbon dioxide and greenhouse gas emissions (as outlined table D1 and Policy DBE1).from energy use. in accordance with the following energy hierarchy:1.Fabric Energy efficiency; 2.2.Carbon Compliance: (a) Incorporating renewable energy; (b) Incorporating Low Carbon Sources; 3.3.Allowable Solutions Where available and feasible, new development will be expected to connect to existing Combined Heat and Power (CHP) distribution networks. The use of on site CHP will be encouraged. Where it is not feasible or viable to achieve the goal of zero carbon from energy efficiency and carbon compliance

			<ul> <li>measures, the council will coordinate and accept contributions towards Allowable Solutions to enable investment in carbon reduction elsewhere in the district - The Community Renewable Energy Fund.</li> <li>The Council's Sustainable Construction and Renewable Energy Supplementary Planning Document will provide further guidance.</li> <li>As well as incorporating measures to reduce carbon emissions development proposals shall show how they have taken account of landform, layout, building orientation, massing and landscaping to minimise energy consumption.</li> </ul>
MM	149	CC3	Amend policy text          Policy CC3 Local/District Renewable and Low Carbon Energy and         Heat Production Schemes Combined Heat and Power         Within the Strategic Sites (as shown on the Proposals Map)         and other development sites over 200 units, health facilities,         education institutions and schools or substantial commercial         developments the development will be required to should         provide site wide local renewable or low carbon energy         and/or heat generation schemes, such as Combined Heat and         Power (CHP) or connect to an existing CHP distribution         network.         An exception will only be made where it is If a local         renewable/low carbon scheme or district heating scheme is not         proposed it will need to be demonstrated that the provision         would not be viable or feasible, or it can be demonstrated that         an alternative carbon reduction strategy would be more         appropriate.
MM	152	CC4	Amend policy text <u>All d-Development</u> proposals within <u>Flood Zones 2 and 3 and</u> <u>sites larger than 1 ha in Flood Zone 1 the areas at risk of</u> <u>flooding or increased surface water run-off</u> shall be subject to a Flood Risk Assessment <del>and/or Drainage Impact Assessment,</del> <del>where relevant</del> . <del>This</del> <u>The Flood Risk A</u> assessment shall be in accordance with the Council's Drainage Impact <u>Assessment</u> Guidance Note and Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, including the requirement for a contribution towards any necessary new flood defence or mitigation measures. <u>Where relevant, the</u> <u>assessment should also address the risk of flooding from</u> <u>surface water, groundwater and ordinary watercourses.</u> <u>Where there is evidence that water from these sources ponds</u> <u>or flows over the proposed site the assessment should state</u> how this will be managed and what the impact on

			neighbouring sites will be.
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			Measures identified to mitigate effects shall be installed and maintained at the developers' own expense or put into a management company to ensure their long term retention, <u>maintenance</u> and management. Other flood resilient and/or resistant measures may also be required, and their provision will be informed by the findings of a submitted Flood Risk Assessment and/or Drainage Impact Assessment (where relevant).
ММ	154	CC5	Amend policy text
			On sites that have not been previously developed within the Environment Agency's Zones 2 and 3, no-new development will only be permitted if it can be unless an exceptional justification can be demonstrated through that it satisfies the requirements of the Sequential Test and, where required, the Exception Test. Extensions to existing property and change of use must meet the requirements of flood risk assessments.
ММ	154	CC7	Amend policy text
			Within the overtopping hazard zones as shown on the <u>District</u> Proposals Map and <u>Inset Map 5</u> (see also all Insets 6), no development will be permitted.
MM	156	CC10	Amend policy text
			A Coastal Protection Zone is defined on the Proposals Map (Insets 3 and 5), and in this area planning permission for new development will <u>normally</u> be refused.
MM	157	7.55	Amend text
			The Flood and Water Management Act 2010 requires new developments and redevelopments to have drainage plans for surface runoff approved by the <u>Lead</u> _Local Flood Authority <u>which is Kent County Council.</u> The Local Flood Authority (Kent County Council) is responsible for adopting and maintaining new SuDS that serve more than one property and have been constructed as approved and function as designed. "National Standards for sustainable drainage systems" (designing, construction, operating and maintaining drainage for surface runoff) were published _in 2011 The National Planning Practice Guidance recommends that sustainable drainage systems should be provided unless demonstrated to be inappropriate. The Non-statutory technical standards for sustainable drainage systems were produced in 2015 to provide guidance on the design, construction , operation and

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			<u>maintenance of sustainable drainage systems.</u> . These National Standards set out what to design and construct in order to gain approval from the lead Local Flood Authority and for operating and maintaining SuDS which the Local Flood Authority adopts. The documents sets out a hierarchy of destinations—for surface water runoff.: <u>discharge to the</u> ground, followed by a surface water body, surface water sewer, followed by combined sewer. Most relevant to SuDS, surface water runoff must be discharged to the ground.
ММ	157	Para 7.56	Amend text
			Kent County Council is the Lead Local Flood Authority within Kent and, as such, is the statutory consultee with respect to surface water on major developments. Development proposals must be accompanied by sufficient information to support the developers drainage strategy. This information may include ground investigation, surveys and design calculations. Kent County Council have produced a 'Local flood risk
			management strategy' in June 2013 in addition to this they have produced a Drainage and Planning Policy Statement in June 2015. These documents set out a countywide framework for managing the risk of local flooding and provide guidance on the requirements, design considerations and consulting on drainage and local flood risk. These should be referred to by developers prior to development proposals being drawn up. Pre-application advice prior to commencing design is encouraged. On major and strategic development sites consideration should be given to surface water strategically, as
			part of the scheme development and masterplanning process, which should detail how this infrastructure will be delivered over the life time of the development and different building phases to ensure that schemes are delivered as proposed and to manage ongoing and future flood risk. On-going maintenance of SuDs will need to be undertaken by either an adopting authority or by an appropriate management agent, this information should be included with any planning application.
			To ensure the potential for SuDS is maximised on site and any delays in approval are avoided, pre-application discussions between developers, planners, highways authorities and the SAB (SuDS Approval Body) should be arranged from the earliest stages of site design. There will be two types of SuDS approval, a free standing application for permitted development and a combined application where planning permission is required. The detailed implementation of the Act, including phasing options, needs to be confirmed through secondary legislation, expected in 2014.

ММ	158	CC11	Amend policy text
			Planning decisions should utilise Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) unless there are practical reasons for not doing so.
			All development applications should include drainage provision. This will; ensure that surface water is appropriately controlled within the development site, manage flood risk on-site and off- site, and not exacerbate any existing flood risk in the locality. Within major development sustainable drainage systems that deliver other benefits, such as biodiversity, water quality improvements and amenity, are expected to be included, except where they are demonstrated to be inappropriate.
			All developments should aim to achieve as close as possible to the City Council's stipulated greenfield runoff rates, mimic natural flows and drainage pathways and ensure that surface water run-off is managed as close to its source as possible using the following hierarchy:
			<ol> <li>a. Discharge into the ground.</li> <li>b. Discharge to a surface water body.</li> <li>c. Discharge to a surface water sewer, highway drain, or another drainage system.</li> <li>d. Discharge to a combined sewer where there are absolutely no other options, and only where agreed in advance with the relevant sewage undertaker.</li> </ol>
			Any drainage scheme must manage all sources of surface water, including exceedance flows and surface flows from offsite, provide for emergency ingress and egress and ensure adequate drainage connectivity. It will not be acceptable for surface water runoff to enter the foul water system. SuDS or other appropriate measures should:
			<ul> <li>a. Maintain public safety;</li> <li>b. Provide sufficient attenuation to surface water flows as appropriate;</li> <li>c. Ensure that there is adequate treatment of surface water flows, such that there is no diminution in quality of any receiving watercourse;</li> <li>d. Ensure protection of groundwater; and</li> <li>e. Provide or enhance wetland habitat and biodiversity where possible.</li> </ul>

			On major and strategic developments it should be shown how this infrastructure will be delivered over the different building phases to ensure that schemes are delivered as envisaged and that ongoing and future flood risk is managed. Approval for of the design and long term management and maintenance of SuDS will be required prior to the development commencing. being permitted.
MM	159	CC12	Amend policy text The <u>City</u> Council will require that new development incorporates well designed mitigation measures to ensure that the water environment does not deteriorate, both during construction and during the lifetime of the development. Furthermore, the <u>City</u> Council will seek to ensure that every opportunity is taken to enhance existing aquatic environments and ecosystems. This will include the restoration of natural river features (including riverbanks) and removal of barriers to fish passage when appropriate opportunities arise. Any new development <u>should not must not place further</u> <del>pressure on the environment and</del> compromise Water Framework Directive objectives.
MM	160	7.63	<ul> <li>Amend text</li> <li>New development in the Canterbury District must recognise the issue of water stress. There is a need for ongoing liaison between planners, water companies and the Environment</li> <li>Agency in order to ensure that the scale and distribution of housing and future demand is understood, planned for, and associated infrastructure is funded for-in the long-term. The <u>City</u> Council will seek to ensure that new development incorporates meets a number of design measures that will contribute to demand management. at new developments. The main water efficiency measures are as follows:</li> <li>Water consumption within the home is one of the five compulsory aspects to address to achieve the Council's minimum standard of Level 4 of the Code for Sustainable Homes (Policy DBE1).</li> <li>Policy CC11 requires new development to utilise Sustainable Urban Drainage</li> </ul>

ММ	161	CC13	Amend policy text
			The <u>City</u> Council will ensure that development is phased using appropriate time scales for the construction of any necessary water and/or wastewater infrastructure associated with development proposals. The <u>City</u> Council will consult in detail with water companies and the Environment Agency to ensure the need for new water services infrastructure is understood and planned for. <u>All new housing or commercial development will need to incorporate suitable arrangements for the disposal of foul water into a sewerage system, at the nearest point of adequate capacity, in consultation with the service provider. Development should minimise water use as far as practicable</u>
			by incorporating appropriate water efficiency and water recycling measures. In new homes, the <u>City</u> Council will seek a required level of <u>105</u> <u>110</u> litres maximum daily allowable usage per person in accordance <u>Regulation 36(2)(b) of the with Building Regulations 2010 (as amended)</u> <u>Level 4 of the Code for Sustainable Homes</u> .

## Chapter 8: Design and Built Environment

MM	164	8.7	Amend text
			Land is a finite resource, and it is an objective of the City Council to make more efficient use of previously developed, derelict or underused land. Developments should conserve natural resources, be energy efficient and minimise pollution. In 2010 energy use in domestic buildings (heating, air conditioning, ventilation, lighting etc) accounted for 43% of the UK's total energy consumption. The City Council will encourage developments that incorporates best practice initiatives that aim to reduce this level of energy consumption, such as: the Code for Sustainable Homes (2006) with the accompanying Technical Guidance (updated on a six monthly basis); Passivhaus; and the recommendations from the Building Research Establishment (BRE). The City Council will produce a Sustainable Construction and Renewable Energy Supplementary Planning Document that will provide further advice, in due course.

ММ	165	8.8	Delete text
			The Code for Sustainable Homes (CSH) is a national standard designed to improve the sustainability of new homes. It is voluntary for private house builders but all publicly funded houses have had to be constructed to code Level 3 since 2008. The CSH measures the sustainability of a house against nine categories and a code level is awarded on the basis of how many mandatory minimum standards have been achieved. The code uses a star rating system to communicate the overall performance of the house (one star = Code Level One). The statutory means of achieving zero carbon homes is being progressed through the Building Regulations rather than through the CSH. By 2013 the Building Regulations will require an energy saving standard equivalent to CSH Code Level 4. In 2008, the Government published 'Lifetime Homes, Lifetime Neighbourhoods: A National Strategy for Housing in an Ageing Society'. This set out the need to build more flexible and inclusive housing in order to meet the future requirements of our ageing population. To encourage the development of more Lifetime Homes the Government incorporated the standard into the Code for Sustainable Homes, and all housing built to Level Six of the code must comply with the Lifetime Homes Standard. Homes built to lower levels of the code can also obtain an additional four credits if they satisfy the Lifetime Homes criteria.
MM	165	8.9	Amend text Passivhaus standards focus on building fabric and performance with the aim of reducing energy consumption. Typically a Passivhaus should result in an energy rating equivalent to level 5 or 6 of the Code for Sustainable Homes. The Code for Sustainable Homes and the BRE Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM) standards are overarching sustainability assessment ratings which address a large number of environmental issues. The construction and occupation of buildings are major consumers of resources and can produce large quantities of waste and carbon emissions. In terms of embodied energy there is nothing more sustainable than an existing buildings to bring them up to modern standards should always be considered before demolition and re-building is proposed. The City Council will generally encourage and support proposals to improve the energy efficiency on of existing buildings.
MM	166	DBE1	Amend policy and incorporate elements of DBE6 All development should respond to the objectives of sustainable development and reflect the need to safeguard and improve the quality of life for residents, conserve resources such as energy, reduce/minimise waste and protect

			and enhance the environment.
			The City Council will therefore require development schemes to incorporate sustainable design and construction measures, to show how they All development should respond to the objectives of sustainable development. and reflect the need to safeguard and improve the quality of life for residents, conserve resources such as energy,_reduce/minimise waste and protect and enhance the environment.
			a. Schemes must take account of t <u>The checklist in table D1</u> should be used to and demonstrate how sustainable construction and design principles have been incorporated into <u>development</u> into their proposals;.
			Sustainability statements will be required for applications for major development <sup>1</sup> and for the strategic housing sites identified in Policy SP3. They should demonstrate how the proposal has responded to the objectives of sustainable development and had regard to the measures outlined in Table D1. Energy statements should be submitted for all strategic housing sites listed in policy SP3. c. Non-residential developments should at least meet a 'very good' BREEAM rating from 2012 and provide evidence as to why an 'excellent' rating from 2015can not be achieved.
			Development proposals should also show how measures outlined in any sustainable design guidance or SPD adopted by the City Council have been considered.
			b. New build housing should be constructed to meet the Code for Sustainable Homes level 4 and should be compliant with the current building regulation standards which currently aims to have zero regulated CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from the regulated use of energy for all new build houses from 2016;
			d. New developments will also need to be resilient to climate change. through the inclusion of a <u>Appropriate</u> climate change adaptation measures, <u>These could</u> include flood resilient measures, solar shading and drought resistant planting, limiting water runoff, reducing water consumption and reducing air pollution.
			<b>Foot note:</b> <sup>1</sup> As defined in Article 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (no.595) or any later amendment
ММ	166/167	8.10	Amend text When justifying a proposed <u>sustainable</u> design in a design and access statement, the following points in Table D1 concerning sustainability should be considered.
			Sustainusiity should be considered.

	Table D1: Su Checklist	stainable Design and Construction Measures
	Issue	Measure
	Site selection and layout design	<ul> <li>Efficient use of land</li> <li>Orientation to minimise energy consumption and maximize passive solar gain where applicable</li> <li>Limiting excessive solar gain and provision of shading both on and around the building</li> <li>Optimising natural ventilation</li> <li>The presence of buildings of mixed use, tenure and type</li> </ul>
	Materials	<ul> <li>Design standard and accessibility</li> <li>Life cycle environmental cost analysis of construction materials</li> <li>Choice of materials including using those that are locally sourced, are from renewable resources or are recycled (e.g. secondary aggregates), where appropriate</li> <li>Seek to minimize waste during construction</li> <li>Life cycle environmental cost analysis of construction materials</li> <li>Level of insulation</li> <li>Efficient water use and re-use of water The source of energy used and metering Efficient heating, cooling and lighting Effective building management systems</li> <li>Adequate storage space for recyclable materials and composting</li> <li>Bicycle storage</li> <li>Improving resource efficiency</li> <li>Reducing level and water waste</li> </ul>
	Energy	<ul> <li>Reducing level and water waste</li> <li>Renewable energy</li> <li>Home user guide and energy monitoring</li> <li>Reduce energy demand e.g. through high levels of insulation</li> <li>Energy use and pollution – cooling, heat generation, pollution air noise and light</li> <li>The source of energy used and metering</li> <li>Preferential use of low carbon energy sources and evidence that onsite renewable energy generation has been explored.</li> <li>Avoiding or minimising any emissions or discharges</li> <li>Including energy reduction measures from</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>the early design conception stage</li> <li>Production of energy statements for strategic and major developments, which should include:</li> <li>A description of the overall energy strategy for the site</li> <li>A calculation of baseline energy demand and emissions</li> <li>An assessment of the feasibility of the available renewable and low carbon technologies</li> <li>A calculation of the potential contribution of each technology to site energy savings and emissions reductions</li> <li>Approximate costs of each feasible technology, to inform discussion about viability</li> <li>Other potential impacts of renewable and low carbon energy technologies selected</li> <li>Long term management of energy supply on the site</li> </ul>
Water	<ul> <li><u>supply on the site</u></li> <li>Sustainable urban drainage</li> <li>Efficient water use and re-use of water e.g grey water <u>recycling</u> systems</li> <li>Surface water</li> <li>Permeable surfaces</li> <li>Flooding and drainage – avoidance / reduction / mitigation</li> </ul>
Ecology and Landscape	<ul> <li>Biodiversity – protection creation and enhancement</li> <li>Integrated landscape structure and open space system including shelter belts linked where possible to the surrounding landscape</li> <li>Conservation and retention of high quality natural features (trees, hedgerows, watercourses, water bodies etc.) and the contribution made to increasing and enhancing biodiversity</li> <li>Biodiversity – impact loss of habitat, trees, features</li> <li><u>Use of land form and landscaping to minimise energy consumption</u></li> </ul>
Transport	<ul> <li>Accessibility of the site to a choice of travel alternatives</li> <li>Transport: Major developments - <u>T</u>traffic</li> </ul>

			Aassessment; Small developments – transport statement         • A safe circulation system for vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists with priority clearly given to pedestrian and cycling safety and links to public transport nodes         • Bicycle storage         Pollution         • Avoiding or minimising any emissions or discharges.         • Avoid potentially polluting developments         • Avoid/minimize noise, olfactory, air and light pollution
			Health and       Inclusive design and accessibility         Wellbeing       Adaptable buildings         Inclusive design and accessibility       Inclusive design and accessibility         Image: Lifetime homes       Inclusive design and accessibility         Image: Provision of public and private outdoor space       Inclusive design and accessibility         Image: Appropriate landscaping       Passive surveillance
ММ	169	DBE2	Amend policy text
			<ul> <li>In determining applications for the development of renewable or micro-generation equipment (apart from wind energy development), the City Council will expect applicants to:</li> <li>a. Avoid any significant adverse impacts (visual, aural, olfactory-noise, odour and amenity impacts) or cumulative impact where appropriate;</li> <li>b. Have given weight to the environmental, social and economic benefits;</li> <li>c. Have minimised the visual impacts by providing the optimum in respect of the layout and design of the development including screening;</li> <li>d. Ensure that the development will not have a significant adverse effect on the amenity of local residents;</li> <li>e. Ensure that the installation would not have an adverse cumulative impact on the environment by reason of proximity to other existing or proposed renewable energy developments.</li> <li>f. Show there is no adverse impact on heritage assets (Policy HE1);</li> <li>g. Demonstrate that there is no significant impact on the landscape setting, habitats, biodiversity, wildlife or designations such as the AONB, AHLV, Ramsar, SACs or SPAs as outlined in Chapter 10;</li> <li>h. Ensure protection of the best and most versatile agricultural land unless it is demonstrated that it is</li> </ul>

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			necessary and no alternative poor quality land is available.
			It should be noted that wind energy development will be assessed in accordance with the Written Ministerial Statement (HCWS42) and the briefing paper Planning for Onshore Wind (House of Commons, June 2015) until sites can be allocated and relevant policies developed in either a review of the Local Plan or a specific Development Plan Document.
ММ	170	8.17	Amend text
			<ul> <li>The aim of the City Council is to ensure that all new development in the Canterbury District achieves the highest standards of design. The Strategic Site Allocations, in particular shall reflect "garden city" principles, as set out in Appendix 2. Quality design has a key role to play in shaping and enhancing the District, as well as repairing the damage done by inappropriate development in the past. Developments should aim to create distinctive, linked, sustainable places that support community cohesion. The appearance of <u>a</u> proposed development and its relationship to its surroundings are material considerations in determining planning applications and appeals. Such considerations relate <u>both</u> to the design of buildings and to urban design. Successful streets, spaces, villages, towns and cities tend to have common characteristics which serve to remind us what should be sought to create a successful place. Those characteristics can be related to the following themes:</li> <li>Townscape and character: a place with its own identity.</li> <li>Space and enclosure: a place where public and private space is clearly distinguished.</li> <li>Quality of the public realm: a place with attractive, useful and successful outdoor areas.</li> <li>Ease of movement: a place that is safe and easy to get to and move about in.</li> <li>Legibility: a place that has a clear image and is easy to understand.</li> <li>Adaptability and resilience: a place that can change easily.</li> <li>Diversity: a place with variety and choice.</li> <li>Heritage: history and the historic uses of a place.</li> </ul>
ММ	172 / 173	DBE3	Amend policy and incorporate elements of DBE4
			The distinctive character, diversity and quality of the Canterbury District will be promoted, protected and enhanced through high quality, <u>sustainable</u> inclusive, design, which, reinforces and positively contributes to its local context creating attractive, inspiring and safe places.

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			<ul> <li>The City Council will expect all development proposals to be of high quality design and will assess proposals against the following considerations:</li> <li>Proposals for development, which are of a high quality design, will be granted planning permission having regard to other plan policies and the following considerations: <ul> <li>a. The character, setting and context of the site and the way the development is integrated into the landscape;</li> <li>b. The conservation, integration, extension, connection and management of existing natural and historic features including trees and hedgerows, pathways and boundaries to strengthen local distinctiveness, character, habitats and biodiversity;</li> <li>c. The visual impact including the impact on local townscape character and landscape and the skyline;</li> <li>d. High quality design solutions appropriate to the site;</li> <li>e. The form and density of the development including: the efficient use of land, layout, landscape, density and mix, building heights, scale, massing, materials, finishing and architectural details including proposed lighting schemes;</li> <li>f. The provision of visually interesting frontages at street level;</li> <li>g. The provision of appropriate hard and soft landscaping;</li> <li>i. The impact of polluting elements, such as noise, dust, odour, light, and vibration and air pollution from the development or neighbouring uses including polluting elements; such as noise, air, and light;</li> <li>j. The provision of appropriate menity and open space;</li> <li>k. The accessibility of: buildings and places should meet the highest standards of access and inclusion;</li> <li>m. Parking arrangements conforming to the latest adopted vehicle parking standards;</li> <li>n. The impact of access and inclusion;</li> <li>m. Parking arrangements conforming to the latest adopted vehicle parking standards;</li> <li>n. The constity of: buildings and places should meet the highest standards of access and inclusion;</li> <li>m. Parking arrangements</li></ul></li></ul>
ММ	173	DBE4	Delete Policy DBE4 and re-locate point a. of DBE4 to become point d. of DBE3

			Policy DBE4 Modern Design
			Proposals for new modern design will only be granted where the building design is of high quality. Any new proposals will be expected to demonstrate
			a. High quality design solutions appropriate to the site;
			<ul> <li>Attention to the quality and appropriateness of materials, methods of construction, finishes and architectural detailing reflecting the local context;</li> </ul>
			c. Visual interest when viewed as a whole and in detail;
			d. Attention to proportions, scale, form and massing;
			e. The impact on the skyline from short and long distance view points;
			f. Integration between the different parts of the building to create a coherent whole; and
			g. The impact on local amenity.
ММ	173/174	8.26	Amend text and footnote
			Design and access statements will be required for <u>development</u> on strategic sites, major developments <sup>(5)</sup> and for developments in designated areas such as World Heritage Sites or Conservation Areas, where the proposed development consists of one or more dwellings or a building or buildings with a floorspace of 100sqm or more; and applications for listed building consent. Planning application design and access statements can also be appropriate for small, low key development proposals, as they still can have an impact on the community. In such cases, only a brief statement explaining the design approach is likely to be necessary. Applicants <u>shall will be tasked with</u> demonstrate-ing how their applications conform to the good design principles discussed above. The Kent Design Guide is a good resource for advice on the design process. In addition the City Council has published a number of conservation area appraisals which provide a useful source of information on the local context for proposals within conservation areas. Footnote:
			s as defined by Article 2 of the Town and Country Planning

			(Development Management Procedure (England)) Order 2015
MM	174	8.27	Amend text
			On occasions when Where village design statements, masterplans, development briefs or design codes/guides have been prepared, or and adopted as a material consideration, or as a supplementary planning document by the City Council, these will form the background design guidance for assessing new-development proposals and will be a material consideration when determining planning applications.
ММ	174	8.28	Delete text A design and access statement should be submitted with planning applications and should:
			<ul> <li>explain the design principles and design concept;</li> <li>outline how these are reflected in the development's layout, density, scale, visual appearance and landscape design;</li> <li>explain how the design relates to its site and wider area through a full site appraisal including the potential effect on the significance of any heritage assets, a tree survey where appropriate, and to the purpose of the proposed development;</li> <li>explain how the development will meet the local authority's design objectives/policies (and its other planning policies);</li> <li>demonstrate that the development of the design has taken account of the views of the local community.</li> </ul>
ММ	174	8.29	Delete text The written design and access statement should be illustrated (as appropriate) by plans and elevations, photographs of the site and its surroundings, and other illustrations, such as perspectives.
ММ	174	8.30	Amend text Development briefs for specific sites or areas will, in certain cases, have been adopted, following a period of public consultation. Where design statements, masterplans, development briefs or design codes/guides the development brief is-are not prepared by the City Council, the landowner or developer is advised to seek guidance on its content because different types of site (large town centre sites and small rural

			infill sites) are likely to require different approaches. In general, <u>they the development brief</u> should set out the key constraints and contextual characteristics of the site, and establish design parameters for the proposed development. These might include infrastructure needs, opportunities for external spaces and other environmental enhancements.	
ММ	175	DBE5	Delete policy text	
			Policy DBE5 Design and Access Statements	
			Design and access statements shall be submitted with planning applications setting out the principles used in the scheme to relate the development within and to its context, including the issues set out in paragraph 8.28. This will apply to all planning applications, where the development is visually significant or is significant to its neighbours.	
мм	175	8.33	Delete text	
			The City Council will expect energy statements to be submitted with large planning applications and for all sites listed in policy SP3. These should provide information on the following, this list is by no means exhaustive and should be read as a guide:	
мм	175	Table D2	Delete table and incorporate into table D1	
			Table D2 : Energy Statements	
			Issue Example	
			Description of the overall energy strategy for the site* Reduce demand for energy in the building design e.g. passivhaus standards	
			* Use energy more efficiently eg low / zero carbon homes	
			* Supply energy from renewable and low carbon resources	
			More stringent requirements for energy efficiency are expected to emerge in the Building Regulations updates.	
			A calculation of baseline energy demand and emissionsThis would generally be expressed in kWh or MWh for energy and kg or tonnes for CO2 both per annum.	

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			Anassessmentofthefeasibilityoftheavailablerenewableandlowcarbonenergy technologiesA calculation of the potentialcontributionofeachtechnologytositeenergysavingsandemissions	Feasibilityshouldincludeissuessuch as the suitabilityofsites/designforchosentechnology,reasonsfordiscountingotherforms;otherpotential impacts suchasvisual,noiseorasvisual,noiseorpollution.This should be expressedasbothapercentageoftotalandasanfigure(i.ekWhorkgCO2
			Approximate costs of each feasible technology, to inform discussion about viability	saved) Viability should be considered from the point of view of the developer and future occupants of the development, have regard to government schemes and
			Other potential impacts of renewable and low carbon energy technologies selected Long term management of energy supply on the site	incentives. This might include issues such as noise or air quality This should demonstrate that sufficient consideration has been given to how energy will be managed in the long term especially where shared solutions are proposed such as community wind schemes, district heating networks and
MM	176	DBE6	Delete Policy and incorporate in Policy DBE6 Sustainability Statem	
			Sustainability statements includ also be required in appropria with applications for major demonstrate how the prope objectives of sustainable develo the checklist in table D1.	te circumstances, particularly development, and should usal has responded to the
			In addition, a Sustainabilty Stat the strategic sites identified in p	•
ММ	179	DBE7	Amend policy text All new housing proposals shoul of accommodation in terms of i amenity space. Residential acc	nternal layout, room sizes and

MM	179	8.47	Technical housing standards – nationally described space standard,table D3. In addition developments should provide: a. Storage space and space for refuse and recycling b. Facilities for covered cycle parking c. Outdoor space for private and/ <u>or</u> communal use The City Council will expect at least 20% of all residential developments to be built to Lifetime Home Standards spread equally between all tenure groups. Amend text To achieve a good standard of homes that are flexible and adaptable they must be built to <u>at least the Department for</u> <u>Communities and Local Government's nationally described</u> <u>space standards</u> the minimum internal space standards set out in Table D3. These standards are considered to be the minimum acceptable and the City Council would expect to see a range of homes in excess of these minimum sizes. The usability of a home is not solely dependent on its size but also on whether it can be organised to meet the needs of the residents. People appreciate larger living space and the number of rooms provided. Providing a large internal floor area will, however, not compensate for a poorly designed internal layout, badly proportioned spaces and awkward door swings. Rooms should be of sufficient size to allow them to function in relation to their proposed use. Where multi functional rooms are proposed they should allow for future sub division. Living rooms should have a minimum floor area of 7m <sup>2</sup> for a single bedrooms and 12m <sup>2</sup> for a double/twin bedroom (ensuite showers/bathrooms do not count towards this minimum). Single bedrooms should have a minimum floor area of 7m <sup>2</sup> for a single bedrooms should be at least 2m wide, double bedrooms at least 2.6m wide and all bedrooms should be at least 3m in length. Additional guidance concerning internal space standards is available from the Lifetimes Homes Standard.
мм	180	Table D3	Delete table D3 Table D3: Minimum residential space standards

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				Dwelling	Essential GIA
				type(bedroom/persons)	<del>(sq.m)</del>
			Flats	<del>1p</del>	<del>37</del>
				<del>1b2p</del>	<del>50</del>
				<del>2b3p</del>	<del>61</del>
				<del>2b4p</del>	<del>70</del>
				3b4p	74
				<del>3b5p</del>	<del>86</del>
				3b6p	<del>95</del>
				4 <del>b5p</del>	<del>90</del>
				4 <del>b6p</del>	99
			Two storey houses	2b4p	83
				3b4p	87
				<del>3b5p</del>	<del>96</del>
				4 <del>b5p</del>	<del>100</del>
				4 <del>55p</del>	100 107
			Three storey	<del>3b5p</del>	<del>107</del>
			houses		
				4 <del>b5p</del>	106
				4 <del>660</del>	113
				<del>100p</del>	115
			housing design. In t maximise utility, inc compromising on the It <u>should</u> seek <del>s</del> to pr the changing needs of expression of Inclusiv to meet the requirem	principles that should be his context—Good housing dependence and quality aesthetics or cost effectiv ovide flexible accommoda of households over time. H re design as it is that whic ents of a wide range of housing irs, wheelchair users, the e	g design should of life without reness of design. ation that meets t is therefore an <u>h</u> has the ability useholds such as
ММ	181	8.49	Economic Viability As requirement for all he homes standards. <u>s</u> <u>assessment.</u> They cor negative impact on Council will expect 2 built to <del>Lifetime Hom</del> <u>Building Regulations</u>	structed Adams Integra a sessment to appraise the pusing developments to be pace standards as part included that it would not h scheme viability and the 0% of all residential deve e Standards, the Requirem 5 2010 (as amended) as set out in Policy DBE8.	impact of a 20% built to lifetime of their overall have a significant erefore the City clopments to be ent M4(2) of the
MM	181	8.50	highest standards p	expect all buildings and pla racticable for access an will be easily used by as	d inclusion. An

possible without separation, special treatment or undue effort and will be adaptable over time to meet changing needs. It is important to ensure that full access is integrated into all design features rather than being seen as an add-on or just for disabled people. The Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE) describe inclusive design as 'making places everyone can use'. In their guidance document, entitled Principles of Inclusive Design (2006), CABE note that by 'designing and managing the built environment inclusively, the frustration and hardship experienced by manycan be overcome (2006: iii).' Five principles set by CABE are deemed vital towards achieving this objective, and are broken down as follows:
Principles of Inclusive Design
i. Placing people at the heart of the design process – through extensive stakeholder consultation right at the start of the thinking process.
<ul> <li>ii. Acknowledging diversity and difference – good design can only be achieved if the environment created meets as many people's needs as possible.</li> </ul>
<li>iii. Offering choice – where a single design solution cannot accommodate all users, applying the same high design standards should enable the access requirements of all users to be met.</li>
iv. Providing flexibility in use – places need to be designed so they can adapt to changing uses and demands.
v. Providing buildings and environments that are convenient and enjoyable to use for everyone – involves considering roads, walkways, building entrances, signage, lighting, visual contrast and materials.
Inclusive flexible design should future proof development to ensure that it is accessible to the widest sections of the population. The principles above provide an important starting point for addressing inclusive design in the built environment. They should be used in assessing planning applications and in drawing up masterplans, development briefs and design codes area planning frameworks, as well as in the scoping of highways and traffic management schemes.
Creating an inclusive environment requires that developments:
<ul> <li>Can be used safely, independently, easily and with dignity by all regardless of disability, age, gender, ethnicity or other circumstances;</li> <li>Are convenient and welcoming with no barriers, so everyone can use them independently without undue effort or separation;</li> <li>Are flexible and responsive to taking account of what different people say they need and want, so people can use them in different ways;</li> <li>Are planned in a way that encourages active community participation, particularly from disability/access groups;</li> </ul>

			balance everyone's needs, recognising that one solution may not work for all.
			Whilst inclusive design is a primary objective of any development or streetscape scheme, it is appreciated that there are other policies and drivers associated with the conservation of specific buildings and their setting, and the preservation and enhancement of wider locations through Conservation Area designations.
			The provision of an 'access for all' approach does not need to preclude high quality design solutions. However, careful consideration should be given to the design rationale early in the scoping and planning process, so that 'competing demands' can be managed and stakeholder discussions facilitated. Developers should have regard to the best practice set out in BS8300 – 2009 "Design of buildings and their approaches to meet the needs of disabled people". Attention to materials palette, long term maintenance and problems associated with a disconnected streetscape environment need to be tackled early in discussions.
ММ	182	DBE8	Amend policy text
			The City Council will require developments to meet the highest standards of accessibility and inclusion. Developers should ensure that developments:
			<ul> <li>a. Can be used <u>and accessed</u> safely and easily by all;</li> <li>b. Are convenient, welcoming and enjoyable to use independently without special treatment;</li> <li>c. Are flexible and responsive so that people can use them in different ways;</li> <li>d. Are realistic and recognise that one solution may not work for all.</li> <li>e. <u>Can be adapted to the changing needs of users and environmental conditions.</u></li> </ul>
			The City Council will expect 20% of homes on major developments and strategic sites to meet the accessibility and adaptable dwellings Regulation M4(2) of the Building Regulations (as amended).
MM	183	DBE9	Delete policy text
			Policy DBE9 Residential Intensification
			The principle of residential intensification will only be acceptable if:
			a. The site is in an existing residential area;
			b. The site has been allocated for housing;
			c. And the development would not conflict with other policies in the Local Plan.
			The development should take account of the guidance given in the paragraphs below and the Council's Residential

			Intensification Design Guide (2008).
MM	188	DBE10	Amend policy to incorporate parts of deleted Policy DBE4
			<ul> <li>The City Council will permit alterations and extensions to buildings which:</li> <li>a. Are compatible with the character of the original building in terms of design, layout, <u>size, bulk, mass, height, choice of materials and position;</u></li> <li>b. <u>Integration between different parts of the building to create a coherent whole;</u></li> <li>c. Will not result in unacceptable loss of privacy to neighbouring properties;</li> <li>d. Will not create unacceptable overlooking or overshadowing to neighbouring properties; and</li> <li>e. Are not detrimental to the amenity and character of the locality <u>and streetscape</u>.</li> </ul> Particular attention will be paid to ensuring that such <u>new development or</u> works to listed buildings and non-listed buildings in conservation areas do not damage their special architectural character.
MM8.26	191	DBE12	<ul> <li>Amend policy text</li> <li>In order to ensure that functional, visually successful public open space is created with a strong sense of place as part of new development, the <u>City</u> Council will expect developments to incorporate the following:- <ul> <li>a. The retention and incorporation of public rights of way and the creation of a connected open space and pedestrian/cyclist circulation system related, where appropriate, to a landscape framework having regard to safety and security;</li> <li>b. The maximising of opportunitiesy for all areas of the public realm to be subject to natural surveillance;</li> <li>c. The incorporation of landscape design to the frontage of development sites, particularly where they border principal roads;</li> <li>d. In order to improve the physical environment of the public realm the <u>City</u> Council will expect the promotion of public art, subject to appropriate consultative and planning considerations. Where new development changes or creates new public places, the <u>City</u> Council will expect encourage the provision of public art to be</li> </ul></li></ul>

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			<ul> <li>included as part of the proposal.</li> <li>e. <u>Create opportunities for wildlife habitats and corridors</u> where appropriate.</li> <li><u>Demonstrate how the management and maintenance of</u></li> </ul>
			public open space will be continued long term.
Chapter 9	: Historic E	nvironment	
MM9.1	200	HE1	Amend policy text
			The <u>City</u> Council will support proposals which protect, conserve and, where appropriate, enhance the historic environment and the contribution it makes to local distinctiveness and sense of place. Proposals that make sensitive use of historic assets through regeneration and reuse, particularly where these bring redundant or under-used buildings and areas into an appropriate use, will be encouraged.
			Development must conserve and where appropriate enhance, or reveal, the significance of heritage assets and their setting. Development will not be permitted where it is likely to cause <u>substantial</u> harm to the significance of heritage assets or their setting <u>unless it is necessary to achieve substantial public</u> <u>benefit that would outweigh the harm or loss, or all of the</u> <u>following apply:</u>
			<ul> <li>the nature of the heritage asset prevents all reasonable uses of the site; and,</li> <li>no viable use of the heritage asset itself can be found in the medium term through appropriate marketing that will enable its conservation; and,</li> <li>conservation by grant-funding or some form of charitable or public ownership is demonstrably not possible; and,</li> <li>the harm or loss is outweighed by the benefit of bringing the site back into use.</li> </ul>
			Any development affecting directly, or the setting of, a listed or locally listed building, Conservation Area, Scheduled Ancient Monument, registered park or garden, historic landscape, or archaeological site will be required to submit a Heritage Statement with any Planning Application. The statement will need to outline and provide evidence as to the significance of the heritage asset including its setting, the likely impact of the development upon it and be proportional to the importance of

			the said heritage asset.
			Should permission be granted for the removal of part or all of a heritage asset the City Council will not permit the removal or demolition of the heritage asset until it is proven that the approved replacement development will proceed.
ММ	212	HE6	Amend policy text
			Development within a conservation area should preserve or enhance its special architectural or historic character or appearance.
			Development, in or adjoining a conservation area, which would harm enhance its character, appearance, or setting will not normally be permitted. Important features or characteristics, which contribute to its special character and setting, that need to be protected, include; plan form, buildings, architectural features, built form, archaeological sites, materials, trees, streets and spaces and the relationships between these features.
			New development in a conservation area should <u>aim to</u> <u>preserve and enhance make a positive contribution to</u> the character and local distinctiveness of the historic environment and respect its surroundings in terms of height, massing, volume, scale, form, materials, details, roofscape, plot width and the design of any new pedestrian, cycle or vehicular access.
			Development within, affecting the setting of, or views into and out of, a conservation area, as shown on the Proposals Map and all Insets, should preserve or enhance all features that contribute positively to the area's character, appearance or setting. Particular consideration will be given to the following:
			a. The retention of buildings, groups of buildings, existing street patterns, historic building lines and ground surfaces;
			b. Retention of architectural details that contribute to the character or appearance of the area;
			c. The impact of the proposal on the townscape, roofscape, skyline, landscape and the relative scale and importance of buildings in the area;
			d. The need to protect trees and landscape;

			e. The removal of unsightly and negative features; and
			f. The need for the development.
MM	213	9.55	Amend text
			The Council will resist the demolition of h Heritage assets which contribute to the character and appearance of conservation areas <u>should be retained</u> . When Planning Permission <u>for demolition of a heritage asset</u> is applied for <del>the Council will refuse consent unless it can be</del> <u>applicants should</u> demonstrate <del>d</del> that:
			<ul> <li>the demolition is necessary in order to deliver substantial public benefits; or the nature of the heritage asset affected prevents all reasonable uses for the site; and</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>no viable use for the asset can be found in the medium term that will enable conservation; and</li> <li>conservation through grant funding is not possible; and</li> <li>the harm or loss of the heritage asset is outweighed by the benefits of bringing the site back into use.</li> </ul>
ММ	214	HE8	Amend policy text
			The <u>City</u> Council has a presumption in favour of the conservation of heritage assets. The more significant the asset, the greater the presumption in favour of conservation and the greater the justification required for its alteration. Proposals involving substantial harm to heritage assets within a conservation area will normally be refused unless it can be shown that the harm or loss is necessary to achieve substantial public benefits that outweigh that harm or loss. If the proposal will lead to less than substantial harm to the significance of a heritage asset, or the building, or the element affected does not contribute to the significance of the area, the harm will be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal.
ММ	216	HE9	Amend policy text
			In conservation areas and on, or affecting, listed buildings, advertisements will be kept to a minimum in order to maintain the character and appearance of conservation areas and to avoid harm to the fabric, character or setting of listed buildings. Their size, design, materials and colouring must should not detract from the character and appearance of the area.
			Where a building is listed, locally listed or has a special character, the Council will grant advertisement consent or

			listed building consent for painted timber fascia advertisements and traditional hanging signs. Consent for Internally illuminated box signs and plastic blinds will be are inappropriate in an historic context and will be refused. Where illumination of a sign in a conservation area is acceptable it should be achieved by halo or other illumination
			to individual letters. Projecting signs of traditional design will be acceptable provided they are:
			<ul> <li>a. Carefully positioned in relation to the elevation of the building;</li> <li>b. Hung from traditional brackets;</li> <li>c. There is only one sign attached to the building; and</li> <li>d. Any illumination is external and/or unobtrusive.</li> </ul>
мм	221	HE12	they would prejudice road safety. Amend policy text
			Within the Canterbury Area of Archaeological Importance and areas of recognised archaeological potential elsewhere in the District the Council will not determine planning applications involving work below ground level <u>until once</u> the applicant has provided information in the form of an evaluation of the archaeological importance of the site, and, an assessment of the archaeological implications of the proposed development.
MM	223	HE13	Amend policy text
			The historic landscape, including ancient woodlands, hedgerows and field boundaries, parks and gardens of historic or landscape interest and archaeological features (such as standing remains and earthwork monuments) will be preserved and enhanced. Within historic landscapes:
			<ul> <li>a. Development that would <u>not</u> adversely affect their historic character and appearance <del>and</del> will <del>not</del> <u>normally</u> be permitted <u>subject to compliance with other Local Plan policies;</u></li> <li>b. The conservation of landscape and architectural elements will be encouraged;</li> <li>c. The maintenance, restoration and reconstruction of the layout and features of historic parks and gardens will be encouraged where this is appropriate and based on</li> </ul>

			historical research; and d. Development that <del>would</del> <u>does not</u> detract from
			landscape and village settings <del>would</del> <u>will normally not be</u> <u>supported, permitted</u> <u>subject to compliance with other</u> Local Plan policies.
Chapter	10: Landsca	pe and Biodi	iversity
MM	227	LB1	Amend policy text
			<ul> <li>High priority will be given to conservation and enhancement of natural beauty in the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and planning decisions should have regard to its setting. Major developments and pProposals which conflict with the objective to conserve and enhance the AONB, or that endanger tranquillity, will not be permitted <u>except in exceptional circumstances where it is demonstrated to be in the public interest, the need is shown and any detrimental effect is moderated or mitigated.</u></li> <li>In considering proposals for development within the AONB, the emphasis should be on small-scale proposals that are sustainably and appropriately located and designed to enhance the character of the AONB. The <u>City</u> Council will grant proposals which support the economy and social well-being of the AONB and its communities, including affordable housing schemes, provided that they do not conflict with the aim of conserving and enhancing natural beauty by addressing location, scale, form, high quality design, materials and mitigation and <del>conform with have regard to</del> the advice set out in the Kent Downs AONB Management Plan, and its supporting guidance.</li> <li>Proposals will be encouraged where they serve to facilitate the delivery of the statutory Kent Downs AONB Management Plan and are desirable for the understanding and enjoyment of the area.</li> </ul>
MM	229	LB2	Amend policy text
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			The following Areas of High Landscape Value are defined on the
			Proposals Map and Inset Maps:
			The Marshall Marshall and
			a. The North Kent Marshes;
			b. The North Downs;
			c. Blean Woods;
			d. Wantsum Channel;
			e. Canterbury (the valley of the River Stour around Canterbury).
			Within these areas, development will be considered in relation to the extent to which its location, scale, design and materials would <u>impact on or</u> protect the local landscape character and enhance the future appearance of the designated landscape and its heritage and nature conservation interest. Development
			proposals <u>that</u> which run contrary to <u>support the</u> landscape character (including settlement character), <del>or</del> <u>have no</u> <u>significant</u> impact <del>directly</del> upon historic setting, archaeological or nature conservation interests, where relevant, will <del>not</del> be permitted.
			permitted.
			Within the Canterbury AHLV, development proposals should
			have particular regard to the historic setting of the City and the World Heritage Site.
ММ	229	LB3	Amend policy text
			Development <u>that does not</u> will not be permitted if it detracts from the unspoilt scenic quality or scientific value of the undeveloped coast as shown on the Proposals Map <u>s will be</u> <u>permitted</u> .
MM	231	LB4	Amend policy text
			Proposals for development, and associated land use change or land management, <u>must should</u> demonstrate that they are informed by, and <u>are</u> sympathetic to, the landscape character of the locality. In considering development proposals, the <u>City</u> Council will take every opportunity to reinforce, restore, conserve or improve, as appropriate, the landscape character of the area in which development is proposed.
			Development will only be permitted if the following criteria can be are satisfied:
			a. Development would be appropriate to the economic and social wellbeing of the area;

			<ul> <li>b. The site selection can be adequately justified, with the siting of development minimising the impact;</li> <li>c. Development would safeguard or strengthen tranquillity, features and patterns that contribute to the landscape character and local distinctiveness of the area;</li> <li>d. The scale, design, materials and landscaping measures are appropriate and would lead to an enhancement of the character of the landscape; and</li> <li>e. Development will promote maintenance, enhancement, and restoration of biodiversity as appropriate in accordance with policy LB9.</li> <li>All development must should take into account the sensitivity of the particular landscape to accommodate change. Development, or associated land use change or land management, which does not would significantly adversely affect the landscape character of an area, will not normally be allowed. The development should have regard to appropriately address the findings of the <u>Canterbury</u> Landscape Character and Biodiversity Appraisal condition and sensitivity guidelines of the particular landscape policy to identify the character areas and features affected.</li> </ul>
ММ	232	10.22	Amend text Biodiversity resources are not restricted to designated sites and it is important to conserve and enhance the diversity and distribution of habitats and species more widely. Sites designated in the District for their international, national and local importance, however, form a critical part of the District's strategy for habitat and species protection and as such, wherever possible, should be protected, buffered and linked to form a network of habitats.
ММ	232	10.25	Amend text Other sites <u>within a 15km radius of</u> <del>which lie close to the</del> Canterbury District include: <u>Dover to Kingsdown Cliffs SAC;</u> <u>Folkestone to Etchinghill Escarpment SAC;</u> Lydden and Temple Ewell Downs SAC; <u>Margate and Long Sands SAC;</u> Parkgate Down SAC; <u>Medway Estuary and Marshes SPA/Ramsar;</u> <u>Outer Thames Estuary SPA;</u>

			<ul> <li>Thanet Coast SAC;</li> <li><u>Sandwich Bay SAC</u></li> <li><u>North East Kent European Marine Site;</u></li> <li><u>The Swale SPA/Ramsar;</u></li> <li><u>Swale and Medway European Marine site;</u></li> <li>Wye and Crundale Downs SAC.</li> </ul>
ММ	233	10.30	Amend text If there is a risk of a significant effect of a plan or a project on one of these internationally designated sites <u>that cannot be</u> <u>mitigated for or avoided</u> , development proposals will require an Appropriate Assessment under $\mp$ <u>the</u> Habitats Regulations 2010 (as amended), to determine whether or not they would have an adverse effect on the integrity of the site <u>either alone or in</u> <u>combination</u> . Under European legislation, the City Council as a competent authority has a duty to exercise its functions to ensure that these sites are maintained in a favourable condition. <u>The Conservation Objectives for each European site provide a</u> <u>helpful reference when assessing what</u> , if any, potential impacts <u>a plan or project may have and what mitigation may be</u> <u>effective</u> .
MM	233	LB5	Amend policy text Sites of international nature conservation importance must receive the highest levels of protection. No development will be permitted which may have an adverse <u>effect</u> impact on the integrity of an SAC, SPA or Ramsar site, alone or in combination with other plans or projects, as it would not be in accordance with <u>the Habitat Regulations 2010 (as amended)</u> <u>and</u> the aims and objectives of this Local Plan. Where a <del>likely</del> significant effect of a plan or-project's effects on <del>European</del> <del>sites</del> <u>a SAC, SPA or Ramsar site</u> , alone or in-combination, cannot be <del>excluded</del> <u>screened out</u> during Habitat Regulations Assessment <u>as not likely to be significant Screening</u> , an Appropriate Assessment in line with the Habitats Regulations <u>2010 (as amended)</u> <u>Directive and associated regulations</u> will be required. <u>Any development (plan or project) considered likely to have a</u> <u>significant effect on a SAC, SPA or Ramsar site will need early</u> <u>consultation with Canterbury City Council and any other</u> <u>appropriate Statutory Consultee or authority as to the likely</u> <u>impacts and to identify appropriate mitigation as necessary.</u> <u>Where mitigation measures are agreed by the City Council, the</u> <u>development will be required to fund and/or implement such</u> <u>mitigation measures as agreed</u> . Any residual impacts may still

			require in-combination assessment.
			In the event that the <u>City</u> Council is unable to conclude that there will be no adverse effect on the integrity of any <u>European</u> <u>internationally designated</u> site, the plan, or project will be refused <u>unless the tests of no alternative sites and the</u> <u>imperative reasons of overriding public interest in accordance</u> with Regulation 62 of the Habitats Regulations 2010 (as <u>amended</u> ) are proven.
ММ	234	10.35	Amend text
			Thanet Coast and Sandwich Bay SPA/Ramsar (Thanet Coast SAC)
			To date, Advice from Natural England is that the planned quantum of housing in the Canterbury and Thanet Districts is likely to result in an significant effect on the bird interest (overwintering Turnstones) of the Thanet Coast and Sandwich Bay SPA and Ramsar site from increased recreational disturbance associated with new housing. They have advised that Aa 'zone of influence' is has been identified to establish which future housing sites are most likely to contribute to this recreational impact. Access management, awareness raising and education delivered through a wardening scheme have been identified as appropriate mitigation to reduce impacts on Turnstones during their over wintering period (1 October to 31 March)8 months) with further monitoring to ensure that these measures are effective. Given the level of housing coming forward these measures <u>are may be</u> required in-perpetuity, unless further evidence suggests proves otherwise. or other mitigation can be shown to reduce the impact on the site from future housing. For example the provision of green infrastructure may well have a role in reducing the pressure on sensitive coastal sites, and if this can be evidenced such an approach could be used to mitigate for this recreational pressure.
мм	235	10.37	Amend text
			The Blean Complex Special Area of Conservation (SAC) - The main interest feature of this site is the Oak Hornbeam forest. Lack of coppice management and deterioration in air quality are considered to be the main vulnerabilities for this important woodland. The Council is currently considering (as part of its Habitat Regulations Screening) whether the local plan proposals are likely to have a significant negative effect on the Blean SAC. Proximity of roads to sensitive habitats and any physical barriers between the road and the habitat that filter air pollution are key issues. The probable impact of predicted Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) along the Blean Road (A290) (which is within 200m of the SAC) resulting from housing allocations in the Local Plan has been calculated using the approach set out in the

			Design Manual for Road and Bridges. This result concluded that there was unlikely to be a significant impact on the Blean SAC resulting from air pollution from increased housing, in particular nitrogen deposition. In particular However, it is important that there are no further decreases in air quality or other impacts to the detriment of sensitive parts of the site. Proximity to roads of sensitive habitat, and any barriers to air pollution are key issues under consideration. Recreation levels at the Blean SAC will need to be monitored, but it is not currently a particular concern, due to the current access management and educational programme on this site. The <u>City</u> Council will work with the managers (Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, Kent Wildlife Trust) of the site to understand any potential impacts from future developments.
MM	235	10.39	Amend text
			Strategic Access, Mitigation and Monitoring Plan -The <u>City</u> Council will produce <del>a</del> Strategic Access, Mitigation and Monitoring Plans for <u>the two</u> European <u>coastal SPAs/Ramsars</u> designated sites in the Canterbury District, that will be applied to development within the <u>identified</u> zones of influence of those Natura 2000 sites to ensure that no adverse effect will result from <u>recreational disturbance from</u> development proposed under the Plan. This will include tariff setting and essential mitigation to be agreed with Natural England <u>and other</u> <u>appropriate authorities</u> . This is to ensure in-combination effects are considered and development is <u>made fairly charged</u> <u>responsible</u> for mitigation <u>costs</u> . To permit development in early stages of the plan without making a fair contribution to 'in-combination' impacts would place unfair responsibility on development at later stages of plan period and potentially place viability and deliverability of those developments at risk.
ММ	236	LB6	Amend policy text
			Planning permission will not <u>normally</u> be granted for development which would materially harm the scientific or nature conservation interest, either directly, indirectly or cumulatively, of sites designated as a <u>sSite</u> of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), <del>or</del> National Nature Reserve (NNR) <u>and Marine</u> <u>Conservation Zones (MCZ)</u> for their nature conservation, geological, or geomorphological value. Support will be given for enhancement. Development that affects a Site of Special Scientific Interest or associated National Nature Reserve will only be permitted where an appraisal prepared by an appropriate specialist has demonstrated that:
			a. The objectives and features of the designated area and overall integrity of the area would not be compromised, or

			<ul> <li>b. Any adverse effects on the qualities for which the area has been designated which cannot be avoided (through locating on an alternative site with less harmful impacts) or adequately mitigated, are clearly outweighed by social or economic benefits of national importance and a compensatory site of at least equal value is proposed.</li> <li>Enhancement measures are required to accompany any development proposal in order to ensure ongoing benefits for biodiversity.</li> </ul>
MM	238	LB7	Amend policy text Development or land-use changes likely to have an adverse effect, either directly or indirectly, on: a. Local Wildlife Sites; b. Local Nature Reserves; or c. Regionally Important Geological / Geomorphological Sites will only-be permitted if the justification for the proposals clearly outweighs any harm to the intrinsic nature conservation and/or scientific value of the site. Where negative impact is unavoidable, measures must should be taken to ensure that the impacts of the development on valued natural features and wildlife have been mitigated to their fullest practical extent. Where mitigation alone is not sufficient, adequate compensatory habitat enhancement or creation schemes will be required. Any application affecting locally important sites will be expected to demonstrate enhancement measures to benefit biodiversity.
MM	239	LB8	<ul> <li>Amend policy text</li> <li>New development will need to show how it will:</li> <li>a. avoid the fragmentation of existing habitats and support the creation of coherent ecological networks through both urban and rural areas; and</li> <li>b. retain, protect and enhance notable ecological features of conservation value such as ancient woodland, neutral grassland, hedgerows, trees, wetlands, river corridors and other water bodies, and habitats that offer breeding or feeding sites of local importance to populations of protected or targeted speciesOnly lLighting that has been sensitively designed to minimise disturbance to protected, warm, tinted lighting) will be permitted.</li> <li>c. protect opportunities for improving connectivity of habitats in strategically important Biodiversity Opportunity</li> </ul>

		<u>Areas.</u>
		Strategic opportunities for biodiversity improvement will be actively pursued within the Biodiversity Opportunity Areas. Development which significantly damages opportunities for improving connectivity of habitats in these strategically important areas will be refused.
MM 244	Policy LB9	Amend policy text
		<ul> <li>All development should avoid a net loss of biodiversity/nature conservation value and actively pursue opportunities to achieve a net gain, particularly where: <ol> <li>There are wildlife habitats/species identified as Species or Habitats of Principal Importance;</li> <li>There are habitats/species that are protected under wildlife legislation;</li> <li>The site forms a link between or buffer to designated wildlife sites.</li> </ol> </li> <li>This will be secured by: <ol> <li>Ensuring that <u>a development</u> site evaluation is undertaken to establish the nature conservation value of <u>the</u> proposed development sites. Developers will be expected to carry out appropriate ecological survey/s and present <u>outline</u> proposals for mitigation and enhancement prior to <u>the</u> determination of a planning application. Planning permission will <del>only</del> be granted where the City Council is satisfied that <u>the avoidance and</u> mitigation measures proposed <u>can give an effective means to conserve, <del>and</del> enhance the habitat or species interest of the site. Where on-site mitigation is not possible, <u>as a last resort, compensatory</u> <del>adequate compensatory</del> habitat enhancement, creation schemes or other measures will be required to ensure that the impacts of the development on valued natural features and wildlife have been offset to their fullest practical extent.</u></li> </ol></li></ul>

			<ul> <li>b. b. Delivering positive opportunities for habitat restoration and creation through the development process: identifying, safeguarding and managing existing and potential land (or landscape features of major importance for wild flora and fauna) for nature conservation as part of development proposals, particularly where a connected series of sites can be achieved.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Development which may harm (either directly or indirectly) Habitats or Species of Principal Importance will only be permitted if: <ul> <li>E. There are no reasonable alternatives and there are clear demonstrable social or economic benefits of the development which clearly outweigh the need to safeguard the site or species; and</li> <li>E. Adequate mitigation, and compensation and enhancement measures are provided, in advance of development, when damage to biodiversity interests are unavoidable.</li> <li>Over the long term the mitigation area is secured, to ensure that the site is protected against future development.</li> <li>The management of the habitats and funding for its implementation are provided by the applicant to ensure the habitats or populations of species are conserved and enhanced in the long term.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
			mitigation measures are fully implemented. The full implementation of the mitigation measures must be secured as part of any planning permission.
ММ	246	Policy LB10	Amend policy text
			Development should be designed to retain trees, hedgerows and woodland that make an important contribution to the amenity of the site and the surrounding area and which are important to wild flora and fauna. New development should incorporate trees, in areas of appropriate landscape character, to help restore and enhance degraded landscapes, screen noise and pollution, provide recreational opportunities, help mitigate climate change and contribute to floodplain management. The value and character of woodland and hedgerow networks should be maintained and enhanced, particularly where this would improve the landscape, biodiversity or link existing woodland habitats. This will be achieved by:
			a. Incorporating tree planting as an integral element of landscaping schemes where this is in keeping with the landscape

			character of the area;
			b. Protecting ancient woodland, ancient trees and 'important'
			hedgerows from damaging development and land uses;
			c. Promoting the retention and effective management, and where appropriate, extension and creation of new woodland areas and hedgerows;
			d. Promoting and encouraging the economic use of woodlands and wood resources, including wood fuel as a renewable energy source;
			e. Promoting the growth and procurement of sustainable timber products; and
			f. Promoting the retention, enhancement and extension of existing hedges.
			The Council will refuse planning permission for proposals that would threaten the future retention of trees, hedgerows, woodland or other landscape features of importance to the site's character, an area's amenity or the movement of wildlife, <u>unless:</u>
			<ul> <li>The need for, and benefits of, the development in that location clearly out-weigh the loss; and,</li> <li>Adequate mitigation and compensation measures can be agreed with the City Council and are fully implemented by the developer.</li> </ul>
ММ	247	Policy LB11	Amend policy text
			The Council will support projects that restore, enhance and connect the valued woodland habitat complex of the Blean. The Council will give particular support to projects that benefit the landscape through sensitive and traditional woodland practices and which support the timber market and wider local economy.
			The <u>City</u> Council will refuse proposals for development that <u>would result in the loss, deterioration or</u> damage the character or integrity of the Blean Complex. <u>Development should provide</u> or which <u>would</u> will prevent important opportunities for biodiversity improvement within the <u>identified</u> Biodiversity Improvement Areas.
MM	249	Policy LB13	Amend policy text
			Development shall show how t The environment within river corridors and river catchments, including the landscape, water environment and wildlife habitats, will be conserved and enhanced.
			Supply of water, treatment and disposal of waste water and flood risk management should be <u>shown to be</u> sustainable and deliver environmental benefits, <u>within the water environment</u> .

Chapter 11:	Open Sp	bace			
MM	255	Policy OS1	Amend Policy to	ext	
The following s	ites are des	signated as Local Gre	en Space		
Site		Address	Settlement	Size/Ha	]
Prospect Field		Joy Lane	Whitstable	2.53	
Columbia Recreation Gr	Avenue ound	Columbia Avenue	Whitstable	1.54	
West Beach			Whitstable	4.26	
outdoor sport	t or recrea	-	e of the following pt	urposes : essential facilities for	
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			Proposal for development, which would result in the loss, in whole or in part, of playing fields will <del>only</del> be permitted if : a. The site has first been considered for other <u>sport</u> , recreation/amenity uses in the wider community <u>or community</u> <u>uses;</u> particularly where the site provides a strong visual amenity and b. It has been demonstrated that the playing field is surplus to requirements having regard to the City Council's Open Space Strategy; or bc.There is an overriding need for the proposed development which outweighs the loss of the playing fields <u>and the loss would</u> <u>be replaced by equivalent or better provision in terms of quantity and quality in a suitable location; or, e d.Sports and recreation facilities can best be retained and <del>enhanced through t</del>. The redevelopment <del>of a</del> is for a small part of the site; <del>and</del>, where it has been demonstrated that it will result in enhanced sport and recreational facilities. d. An alternative open space is provided of an equivalent amenity and leisure standard in the locality which does not generate significant additional trips by private car; or e.The developer enters into an agreement to provide an appropriate amount of land as public open space as part of a new development</u>
MM	261	11.44	<ul> <li>Amend text</li> <li>Historically, some development has occurred outside the urban area, that has led to the gradual erosion of the open countryside and coalescence between built up areas. The Council is concerned that this gradual coalescence between existing built up areas not only harms the character of the open countryside, but is having an adverse impact on the setting and special character of villages.</li> <li>Therefore, the Local Plan has proposed an extension A boundary change is proposed to the green gap between Sturry and Broad Oak Canterbury, in order to facilitate the Sturry Relief Road;</li> <li>The green gap at Sturry/Broad Oak is divided by the A291; the area of green gap to the west of the A291 forms part of the Strategic Allocation Site 2 - Land at Sturry/Broad Oak. The masterplan for Site 2 needs to clearly identify and explain how the green gap will be integrated; and</li> <li>The Council is also proposing 2 new green gaps between Canterbury and Bridge and the University of Kent and Canterbury to ensure the countryside between these areas is are protected.</li> </ul>
ММ	262	Policy OS6	Amend policy text

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			<ul> <li>Within the Green Gaps identified on the Proposals Map(see also Insets 1,3 and 5) development will only be permitted where it does not :</li> <li>a. Significantly affect the open character of the Green Gap, or lead to coalescence between existing settlements;</li> <li>b. Result in new isolated and obtrusive development within the</li> </ul>
			Green Gap.
			Proposals for open sports and recreational uses will be permitted subject to there being no overriding conflict with other policies and the wider objectives of the Plan. Any related built development should satisfy criteria (a) and (b) above and be kept to a minimum necessary to supplement the open sports and recreation uses, and be sensitively located and of a high quality design.
ММ	263	Policy OS7	Amend policy text
			Within the Herne Bay and Whitstable Green Gap identified on the Proposals Map (Insets 3 and 5), development will <del>only</del> be permitted where it does not :
			a. Result in a material expansion of the built up confines of the urban areas of Herne Bay or Whitstable; or
			b. Significantly affect the open character or separating function of the Green Gap; and
			c. Result in new isolated development within the Green Gap
			In those areas within the green gap where education, <u>outdoor</u> leisure uses or allotments are promoted planning permission will be granted where in addition to the considerations set out in (a) to (c) above, built development shall be incidental, necessary to the function of those uses and located to have a minimal impact upon the open character of the green gap and provided there is no overriding conflict with other Policies of this Local Plan.
ММ	265	Policy OS8	Amend policy text
			Proposals for sports and recreation facilities in the countryside will <del>only</del> be permitted where :
			a. They are well related to an existing settlement;
			b. There is no detrimental impact on landscape interests,

			protected species, sites or features of nature conservation interest or on sites of archaeological or historical importance;
			c. There is no adverse impact upon residential amenity;
			d. Access and parking provisions are acceptable, the use does not significantly increase traffic to the detriment of the rural area or highway safety and the site is accessible by a range of transport modes;
			e. Buildings and other related development are well designed, appropriate in scale and function to the use of the land and sensitively located to retain the openness of the area;
			f. The rural character of the area is safeguarded.
MM	266	Policy OS9	Amend policy text
			Proposals which would result in the loss of protected existing open space as shown on the proposals map (all insets), will only be permitted if :
			a. There would be no material harm to the contribution the protected open space makes to the visual or recreational amenity of the area; <u>and</u> d. <u>b.</u> The open space has been assessed by the <u>City</u> Council as
			making no positive contribution to its overall strategy on open
			<ul> <li>space.</li> <li>b. <u>c.</u> Where there would be material harm, this would be balanced against demonstrable need for the development;</li> <li>c. <u>d.</u>There is no alternative site available to accommodate the proposed development, and any harm that might result from the development could be offset by the provision of other open space of comparable quality, size, character and usability in the locality; <u>a suitable location.</u></li> </ul>
			Development which would involve the loss of open spaces and play areas provided as part of new developments which contribute to the visual or recreational amenity of the area will be refused.
MM	268	11.69	Delete table and replace with Open Space typologies table.
		Space Provision Sta D new residents are as	ndards for new residential development. Open Space typology s follows :
Parks	0.3	22	

<del>Parks</del>	<del>0.3 ha</del>
Green corridors	<del>0.3 ha</del>

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Sports fields	<del>0.87 ha</del>					
Amenity green space	<del>1.3 -1.7 ha</del>					
Play areas	0.3 ha	0.3 ha				
Semi natural	4.0 ha					
Allotments	15 plots per 1,0	00 – 1.56msg r	er			
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Typology	Definition	Agreed	Justificatio	on Local		
Typology	Demition	thresholds	of thresho			
<u>Parks and</u> <u>Gardens</u>	Including urban parks, country parks and formal gardens.	2,000 metres	<u>CABE</u> <u>guidance</u> <u>and</u> <u>consultatio</u>	0.3 hectares per 1,000		
<u>Green corridors</u>	Including rivers and canal banks, cycle ways and rights of way Plus accessible green space in urban fringe.	<u>300 metres</u>	Based on ANGST guidance and consultatio results	$\begin{array}{c} \underline{1.3-1.7}\\ \underline{hectares}\\ \underline{per 1,000}\\ \underline{people}\\ \underline{(1.3-17 m^2)}\\ \underline{/ person} \end{array}$		
<u>Amenity green</u> <u>space</u>	Including informal recreation spaces, green spaces in and around housing.	<u>1,000</u> <u>metres</u>	ANGST and consultation results			
Fixed Play areas	<u>Fields in Trust</u> <u>have refined</u> <u>these areas to:</u>			0.3 hectares per 1,000 people (3m <sup>2</sup> / person)		
<u>LAPs Facilities</u> <u>targeted at 0 to 5</u> <u>year olds</u>	<u>Local Area of play</u> <u>space (LAP) – no</u> <u>equipment</u>	<u>100 metres</u> /up to 1 minutes walk	Based on F guidance and consultatio results	hectares per 1,000		

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LEAPS Facilities targeted at 5 to 12 year olds NEAPS Facilities targeted at 12 to 18 year olds	Local Equipped Area for Play (LEAP) Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play (NEAP)	400 metres /up to 5 minutes walk 1,000 metres/up to 15 minutes walk	Based on FIT guidance and consultation results Based on FIT guidance and consultation results	Part of 0.3 hectares per 1,000 people (3m <sup>2</sup> / person) Part of 0.3 hectares per 1,000 people (3m <sup>2</sup> / person)	
Destination play facilities targeted at 0 18 year olds	Play facilities have a distinctive feature and part of a larger facility	20 minutes drive time	Based on FIT guidance	Part of 0.3 hectares per 1,000 people (3m <sup>2</sup> / person)	
<u>Semi natural and</u> <u>natural open</u> <u>space</u>	Including woodlands, urban forestry, scrub, grasslands, wetlands, open and running water, wastelands and derelict open land and rock areas – cliffs, guarries and pits	<u>1,000</u> <u>metres</u>	Based on ANGST guidance and consultation results	<u>4.0</u> hectares per 1,000 people (40m <sup>2</sup> / person)	
<u>Outdoor sports</u> <u>pitches</u>	Including tennis courts, bowling greens, sports pitches, golf courses athletics tracks school and institutional playing fields and other outdoor sports areas.	<u>1,000</u> <u>metres</u>	Based on FIT guidance and consultation results	0.87 hectares per 1,000 people (9m <sup>2</sup> / person)	
<u>Allotments</u>	An allotment is a piece of land approximately 250 square metres in size which can be rented out for growing fruit and	<u>NA</u>	National Society for Allotments and Leisure Gardeners	<u>15 plots</u> per 1,000 household/ dwelling	

<u>vegetables</u> predominantly			
<u>Civic and market</u> squares and other hard surfaced areas designed for pedestrians perform a range of recreation functions and are a key element of the civic environment.	<u>TBC</u>	<u>CABE Space</u> guidance	<u>One major</u> <u>civic space</u> <u>per urban</u> <u>centre</u>

## Note:

<u>CABE is the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment, also the Design Council</u> <u>ANGST is Access to Natural Green Space Standard</u>

FIT is Fields in Trust

ММ	269	Policy OS11	Amend policy text
			New housing development shall make provision for appropriate outdoor space, including semi-natural areas, strategic urban parks and green corridors, amenity greenspace, children's play areas, open space for sport, allotments or community gardens proportionate to the likely number of people who will live there.
			Where the development does not allow for the provision of such open space on site, developers will be expected to make financial contribution towards the provision of new, or improvement of open space or recreational facilities elsewhere in the locality, through entering into a legal agreement or another suitable mechanism. New open space that is created through new developments will automatically be protected and Policy OS9 will apply.
MM	270	Policy OS12	Amend policy text
			Proposals for new development should ensure that :
			a. Green infrastructure is planned, designed and managed to conserve and enhance the distinctive character and special qualities of, rural and urban landscapes, and the identity of settlements. Where feasible as part of all new developments and proposals, developers will need to establish and extend green space networks as corridors for movement by foot and

			<ul> <li>cycle, as havens for wildlife and natural habitats and for leisure, amenity and recreational use. Where practicable green linkages should be encouraged from within existing settlements to the open countryside.</li> <li>b. Existing open space is protected and improved conserved and enhanced as part of these networks, which where possible, should extend through major new development sites and connect directly with community facilities, employment areas and transport hubs in order to deliver sustainable development and support the health and well-being of residents.</li> </ul>
мм	271	Policy OS13	Amend policy text Land identified on the Proposals Map (Inset <u>1 and</u> 2), <u>as Open</u> <u>Space and Riverside Path</u> , along the River Stour corridors in Canterbury City will be protected from development to enable its future use and contribution towards the riverside corridor, <del>land is allocated as open space</del> <u>having regard to</u> <del>as part of</del> the <del>existing</del> Riverside Strategy.
MM	272	Policy OS15	Amend policy text Permission will only be granted for development proposals that involve the loss of existing allotment land and/or community garden land if both the following criteria are met : a. Demand for allotment land and/or community garden land within the locality no longer exists, or suitable alternative provision of allotment land, of comparable quality, can be made available locally; and b. The allotment land or community garden land is not suitable for, or not required to rectify any local shortages of, public outdoor playing space.

## Chapter 12: Quality of Life

	ММ	276	Policy QL3	Amend policy text
				The <u>City</u> will not permit the loss of village and community facilities in the parishes, such as village halls, public houses, shops and post offices to other uses unless if it can be demonstrated that :
				a. The use is no longer viable, the business has been actively marketed for 2 years with no genuine interest or there is no longer a continuing demand for the use or facility; or,

		b. There is alternative provision for a similar type of use within
		an acceptable walking distance; and
		c. There would be no detrimental impact on the rural character and community.
278	Policy QL5	Amend policy text
		Provision will shall be made to accommodate local community services within new residential development and mixed use developments.
		New community services will should be located where they are accessible by walking or cycling and by public transport from the area they serve. Wherever practical they should be located within urban or local centres.
		Residential development will not be permitted until t <u>The</u> required funding for the community services and facilities <del>it</del> requires has been shall be identified and agreed prior to grant of planning permission for residential and mixed use developments.
278	Policy QL6	Amend policy text
		Planning permission will not be granted for development involving the loss of public or privately operated community buildings or sites, or uses for community purposes, <u>unless if</u> there is no demonstrable need for the use of the facilities within the locality, and it is demonstrated that other uses to serve the local community could not operate from the buildings or land.
281	12.41	Amend text
		Good quality health facilities (primary and acute) are also important to the wider economic well-being of the community, and are seen as a key factor in attracting investment and in catering for the needs of the large number of visitors to the District. Policy QL9 promotes and safeguards <u>an area adjacent to</u> the Kent & Canterbury Hospital's <u>for future health care</u> <u>development</u> strategic role for the district and wider area and Policy SP3 is proposing to relocate the hospital to a new site as part of the strategic site at South Canterbury. <u>Policy SP3</u> <u>reserves land at Site 1 for the potential relocation of the Kent &amp;</u> <u>Canterbury Hospital, if required in the future.</u>
281	Policy QL9	Amend policy text
		Land is allocated at adjacent to the Kent & Canterbury Hospital
	278	278       Policy QL6         281       12.41

			as shown on the Proposals Map (Inset 1) for health-related development. until such a time that the hospital relocation has taken place.
MM	283	Policy QL11	Amend policy text Development that could directly or indirectly result in material additional air pollutants and worsening levels of air quality within the area surrounding the development site <u>or impact on</u> <u>the existing Air Quality Management Area</u> will <del>not</del> be permitted <u>unless if acceptable measures to offset or mitigate any potential</u> <u>impacts have been taken agreed</u> as part of the proposal. An air <u>quality assessment will be required if the proposal is likely to have a significant impact on air quality.</u> Sensitive development (such as housing) will not normally be permitted in Air Quality Management Areas unless mitigation measures are incorporated.
MM	285	Policy QL13	Delete policy text Policy QL13 Waste Management and Recycling Any major proposals for waste disposal, waste incineration, energy generation from waste or other waste – related proposals, will need to address the following issues: a. The need for proposal; b. Consideration of alternative sites; c. Air quality and impact on public health ; d. Impact on the landscape and visual amenity; e. Geology, hydrology and ground conditions; f. Ecology and nature conservation interests; g. Noise impact; h. Archaeology; i. Traffic generation and alternative methods of transportation of waste by means other than by road; j. Impact on residential amenity; Lifetime of the scheme and any subsequent restoration of the site.