

# Canterbury City Council

## Sustainability Appraisal of SHLAA Sites

### **New Site Submissions Worksheets (2014)**

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**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/212: Land at Bushy Close Wood, Westbere**

Sustainability Objectives and Baseline Information	Key questions/guidance	Sustainability Impacts
<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
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<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is on a well serviced bus route but not within 800m walking distance of a convenience store, primary school or GP.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Minor Negative [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	Minor Positive [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Minor Negative [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 1km of the Stodmarsh Marshes. It is also known to contains a number of saxon burials - archaeological survey would be required.</b></p>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	Significant Negative Impact [No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	Significant Negative Impact No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is

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		designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 250m of the Stodmarsh Marshes, which are designated as SSSI, RAMSAR, SPA and SCA.</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not within a flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	Minor Positive [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	No Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a potential development of 225 units based on 30 dwellings per hectare. The site is not within 800m walking distance of a convenience store, primary school or GP.</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is further than 5km from a town centre.</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Significant Positive Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Significant Positive Impact [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as greenfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	efficiency in water use?	
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
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	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	Minor Negative [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: There is a minor drainage channel to the far east of the site, which appears to feed into the River Stour.</b></p>	
<p><b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b></p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	<p>4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?</p>	<p>Minor Negative [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and &gt; 100 units score as significantly negative]</p>
	<p>4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?</p>	<p><i>Uncertain</i></p>
	<p>4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?</p>	<p>Minor Negative [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and &gt; 100 units score as significantly negative]</p>
	<p>4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?</p>	<p><i>Uncertain</i></p>
	<p>4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?</p>	<p><i>Uncertain</i></p>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well services bus route and a convenience store. A primary school and GP are slightly further.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]</p>	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Significant Negative Impact [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	Significant Positive Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is situated within an Area of High Landscape Value (AHLV). The scheme provides a couple of playing pitches as part of the proposals. Folly Farmhouse on the adjacent site is a listed building.</b></p>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes</p>

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		recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 100m of a LWS; however this is on the opposite side of the railway line.</b>	
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not within a flood risk area.</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	No Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposal for 15 units. The site is only within 800m walking distance of a convenience store. A primary school and GP are slightly further.</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is just outside the urban area and has been assessed as urban fringe.</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
	<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>	
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as greenfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	efficiency in water use?	
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is greenfield agricultural land.</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

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**SHLAA/214: Durite Manufacturing Plant, Fordwich**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	Minor Negative [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	Minor Negative [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposals for 18 units. The development proposal would result in the loss of an employment site. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Negative [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The development proposal would have a positive impact on rural housing and services but result in the loss of an employment site.</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	Significant Negative Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>

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	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 10m of a lake.</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Minor Negative [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Minor Negative [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, convenience store, primary school or GP.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
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	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Minor Negative [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
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	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Minor Negative [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
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	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 1km of an AHLV. Whilst the site is considered brownfield, it has an important location within the Stodmarsh SSSI. A housing development could become more prominent than its current industrial use. Roman archaeological finds have been recorded in the adjacent area.</b></p>	

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	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically	No Impact

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	important sites?	[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is situated in a SSSI, RAMSAR, SCA and SPA and will be extremely sensitive regarding biodiversity.</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	Significant Negative Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within a flood Risk Zone 3.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Significant Negative Impact [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	Minor Negative [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	No Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposals for 18 units. However, the development proposal would result in the loss of an employment site.</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being out of town.</b>	
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is brownfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
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**SHLAA/215: Lucketts Farm, Blean**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	Minor Positive [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposal for 6 units. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	Significant Negative Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 10m of the Sarre Penn River.</b>		
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	<b>Significant Positive Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]	
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	<b>Significant Positive Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]	
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, a convenience store, primary school and GP. It should be noted that there is no footpath on the left hand side.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]		

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	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is situated within an AHLV. It is also adjacent to a Conservation Area and an Scheduled Ancient monument. An archaeological survey would be required.</b></p>	

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	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly</p>

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		negative where feature is designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 250m of a Site Special Scientific Interest, International Wildlife Sites, National Nature Reserve and a Local Wildlife Site.</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not in a flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Significant Positive Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance from a convenience store, primary school and GP.</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is assessed as being greenfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	efficiency in water use?	
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

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**SHLAA/216: Land at Chartham Mill, Chartham**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	Minor Positive [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	Minor Negative [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	Minor Negative [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposals for 115-133 units. If developed for housing it would result in the loss of a large rural employment site. It is suggested that some of the buildings / operations could be moved onto another local site. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b></p>	
<p><b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b></p>		
<p>N/A</p>	<p>2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?</p>	<p><i>Uncertain</i></p>
	<p>2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?</p>	<p>Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site &gt; 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]</p>
	<p>2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?</p>	<p>Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site &gt; 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]</p>
	<p>2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?</p>	<p>Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]</p>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: If developed for housing it would result in the loss of a large rural employment site; although it is suggested that some of the buildings / operations could be moved onto another local site.</b></p>	
<p><b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b></p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>• Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>• Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	<p>3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?</p>	<p>Significant Negative Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites &gt; 25m score no impact]</p>

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	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 10m of the River Stour.</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well services bus route, a convenience store and a GP. A primary school is slightly further.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Minor Negative [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Significant Positive Impact [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Minor Negative [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is &gt; 1km from an AHLV. The scheme proposes to refurbish the mill workers cottages, which are locally listed. However, the wider development proposals could impact upon their setting.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
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	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The River Stour corridor, which passes through the site is designated as a Local Wildlife Site.</b>	
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
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	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Small parts of the site are covered by Flood Risk Zones 2 &amp; 3. The majority of the site is not considered at risk of flooding.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
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	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
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itself.	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
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	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Minor Positive [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: If developed for housing it would result in the loss of a large rural employment site; although it is suggested that some of the buildings / operations could be moved onto another local site. The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, a convenience store and GP. A primary school is slightly further.</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within town centre

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	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site further than 5km form a town centre but is in a rural local centre.</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Significant Positive Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Significant Positive Impact [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</li> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Significant Positive Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Significant Positive Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Significant Positive Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Significant Positive Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is assessed as being brownfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

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**SHLAA/217: Land at Blean Common, Blean**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on development proposals for 45-65 units. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]	
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]	
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, a convenience store and a GP. A primary school is slightly further.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]		

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Minor Negative [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 1km of an AHLV. An archaeological survey would be required.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>Significant Negative Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is</p>

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		designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: he site is within 250m of a Site Special Scientific Interest, International Wildlife Sites and National Nature Reserve.</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
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	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not within a flood risk area.</b>		
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	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
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<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposals of 45-65 units. The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, a convenience store and GP. A primary school is slightly further.</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
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	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
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	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
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	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
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	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
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	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
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	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
	<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>	
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is assessed as being greenfield land</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	efficiency in water use?	
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/218: Great Bossingham Farm, Bossingham**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	No Impact [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b> loss of employment	Take account of existing uses and
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	No Impact [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	No Impact [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and &gt; 100 units score as significantly negative]</p>
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and &gt; 100 units score as significantly negative]</p>
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b></p> <p>[Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]</p>	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	No Impact [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	No Impact [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]</p>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	No Impact [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	No Impact [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site

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<p>Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>		located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	No Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
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<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	No Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	No Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	No Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	No Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>

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<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/219: Gowan, Stodmarsh Road**

Sustainability Objectives and Baseline Information	Key questions/guidance	Sustainability Impacts
<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Negative [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposal that is unlikely to exceed 5 units. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Minor Negative [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]	
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Minor Negative [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]	
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>	
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, convenience store, primary school or GP.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]		

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Minor Negative [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is adjacent to an Area of High Landscape Value.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>Significant Negative Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>Significant Negative Impact</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is</p>

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		designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is adjacent to a SSSI and within 200m of a Local Wildlife Site. The grounds of the house are heavily wooded and likely to be sensitive in regards to biodiversity.</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not in a flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	No Impact [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	No Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Site assessed as being greenfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
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	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
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**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/220: K&C Hospital, Ridlands Farm and Langton Fields, Canterbury**

Sustainability Objectives and Baseline Information	Key questions/guidance	Sustainability Impacts
<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	Significant Positive Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	Minor Positive [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	Minor Negative [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Significant Positive Impact [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Proposal would result in the loss of the hospital as an employment site; however it is envisaged that this would be replaced elsewhere as part of another scheme . Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Uncertain [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site on the urban fringe of Canterbury.</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	Minor Negative [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>

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	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: There is a small pond approximately 10-25m outside the south-east boundary.</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	<b>Significant Negative Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	<b>Significant Negative Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Within 800m of a convenience store. There is a 'special' and a 'private' school but only state owned primary schools have been counted.</b>  [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Significant Negative Impact [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	Significant Negative Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Minor Negative [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: A third of the site is previous developed land i.e. hospital site. Adjacent to and part within an AHLV. Adjacent to and part within the Old Dover Road Conservation Area. Part of the site is allocated in the Local Plan (2006) for public playing fields; however any scheme would replaced this on neighbouring land. Views to the Cathedral and potential for pre-historic finds.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	<p>6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?</p>	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	<p>6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?</p>	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	<p>6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?</p>	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>

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	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Minor Positive [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>

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itself.	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	Significant Positive Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	Significant Negative Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	No Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is on the boundary of Barton Ward and Wincheap Ward.</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within town centre

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		will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>• 64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>• Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Significant Positive Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Significant Positive Impact [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</li> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Significant Negative Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/221: Land at Patricxbourne Road, Bridge**

Sustainability Objectives and Baseline Information	Key questions/guidance	Sustainability Impacts
<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposal for 10 dwellings. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being in a rural location.</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	Significant Negative Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 10m of the Nailbourne River.</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	<b>Significant Positive Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	<b>Significant Positive Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, a convenience store, primary school and a GP.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Significant Negative Impact [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Significant Negative Impact [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and an Area of High Landscape Value.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is</p>

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		designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: There is a possibility of protected species on the periphery of the site. The wooded area to the north of the site and Nailbourne River may be sensitive in regards to biodiversity.</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	Significant Negative Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within a flood risk zones 2 &amp; 3.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Significant Negative Impact [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Significant Positive Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
	<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>	
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as greenfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	efficiency in water use?	
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/222: Land at Moat Lane, Rough Common**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed on a development proposal for 80 units. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being in a rural location.</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>

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	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, a convenience store and primary school.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
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	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within a designated green gap and an Area of High Landscape Value. There are two Conservation Areas on either side of the site.</b></p>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<p><i>Not applicable</i></p>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly</p>

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<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 250m of an International Wildlife Site and Local Wildlife Site.</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not in a flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Minor Positive [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Negative [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being in a rural location.</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being greenfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	efficiency in water use?	
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/223: Riverside Youth Centre, Kingsmead Road, Canterbury**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed as a development proposal for 15-20 units. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being in a wider urban area.</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	Significant Negative Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 10m of the River Stour.</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	<b>Significant Positive Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	<b>Significant Positive Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, a convenience store, primary school and GP.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	No Impact [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Positive [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	Minor Positive [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: If developed, it would result in the loss of multi-sports pitch.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
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	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
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	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is in a Flood Risk 2 area.</b>		
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
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	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		

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	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Significant Positive Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
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<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being a wider urban area.</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	Minor Positive [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as brownfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	efficiency in water use?	
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

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**SHLAA/224: Vulcan Close, Whitstable**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposal for 30-40 units. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or 1/2 hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being in a wider urban area.</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	<b>Significant Positive Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	<b>Significant Positive Impact</b> [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus stop, a convenience store, primary school and GP.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	No Impact [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Positive [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	Minor Positive [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is adjacent to a conservation area.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<p><i>Not applicable</i></p>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]</p>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is approximately 500m to SSSI and an International Wildlife Site.</b>	
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not within flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	Minor Positive [No impact unless proposed site

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<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to	<i>Not applicable</i>

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	the character of the countryside?	
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/225: Longfield Close, Swalecliffe, Whitstable**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposal for 10-12 units. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, a convenience store and GP. A primary school is slightly further.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Minor Negative [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Positive [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<p><i>Not applicable</i></p>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]</p>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not in a flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
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	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site

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<p>Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>		located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Minor Positive [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Positive [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Positive [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]

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<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to	<i>Not applicable</i>

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	the character of the countryside?	
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/226: Land at Bakers Lane, Chartham**

Sustainability Objectives and Baseline Information	Key questions/guidance	Sustainability Impacts
<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed on a development proposal for 30 units. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or 1/2 hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, train station, a convenience store and primary school. A GP is slightly further but is within the village.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Minor Negative [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Uncertain [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is located close to an AONB and AHLV to the south of the village. The site is also adjacent to a Conservation Area.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is</p>

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		designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not within a flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Minor Positive [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Significant Negative Impact [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is further than 5km from a town centre.</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed as being greenfield land.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	efficiency in water use?	
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/227: Joseph Wilson Industrial Estate**

Sustainability Objectives and Baseline Information	Key questions/guidance	Sustainability Impacts
<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	Significant Positive Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	Significant Positive Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	Significant Positive Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Significant Positive Impact [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed as a development proposal for 7,500m<sup>2</sup> of employment / business space only. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Significant Positive Impact [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Uncertain [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Uncertain [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Assessed as a development proposal for 7,500m<sup>2</sup> of employment / business space only. Within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route and supermarket.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Significant Negative Impact [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	No Impact [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Minor Negative [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within an AHLV. Roman archaeological finds have been recorded in the adjacent area.</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS) includes; Chislet Colliery; Long Rock at Tankerton; Brambling Quarry; Coopers Pit; and Chartham Hatch Pit</li> <li>• Three Ramsar sites (Thanet Coasts and Sandwich Bay, The Swale and Stodmarsh), all of which are also Special Protection Areas (S PA).</li> <li>• Two Special Areas for Conservation (SAC) (Blean Complex and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• Two National Nature Reserves (Blean Woods and Stodmarsh).</li> <li>• 15 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).</li> <li>• 10 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</li> <li>• 49 Local Wildlife Sites</li> </ul>	6.1 Will it avoid damage to and enhance species and habitats?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species has a national designation. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of nationally designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative'].</p>
	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is</p>

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		designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not in a flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	Minor Positive [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	Uncertain [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Uncertain [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Extension to an existing employment site, on greenfield land, outside of the urban boundary.</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	No Impact [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	No Impact [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	No Impact [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	Significant Positive Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	Minor Positive [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	Minor Positive [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Significant Positive Impact [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	Uncertain [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Site on the urban fringe of Canterbury.</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	Significant Negative Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: There are underground springs present on site; historically these have provided water to Canterbury.</b></p>	
<p><b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b></p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	<p>4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?</p>	<p>Minor Negative [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and &gt; 100 units score as significantly negative]</p>
	<p>4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?</p>	<p><i>Uncertain</i></p>
	<p>4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?</p>	<p>Minor Negative [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and &gt; 100 units score as significantly negative]</p>
	<p>4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?</p>	<p><i>Uncertain</i></p>
	<p>4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?</p>	<p><i>Uncertain</i></p>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: Within 800m of a convenience store and St. Thomas' Primary School.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]</p>	

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	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Significant Negative Impact [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
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	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	Minor Negative [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	Minor Negative [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<p><b>Discussion and Assumptions: Adjacent to and part within an AHLV. Adjacent to and part within a Conservation Area i.e. setting of St. Martin's Hospital. Proposal would result in a loss of existing open space. There are a series of scheduled ancient monument are scattered around the site inc. a roman water aquaduct, which supplied water to the Cathedral and Abbey. A Roman road passed through the site meaning there is potential for Roman finds. Some potential also for Paleolithic finds.</b></p>	

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	6.2 Will it minimise habitat fragmentation?	<p>Significant Negative Impact</p> <p>No impact unless site includes /or is adjacent to recognised biodiversity features. Impacts will be significantly negative where habitat or species is designated. If habitat improvements or mitigation proposed, score as significant impact/minor impact. If site is within 250m of designated site score as significant impact/minor negative impact. If proposed site includes or is adjacent to local designated sites, score minor negative. If it is advised that there is 'likely' to be protected species on the site score 'minor negative']</p>
	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically	No Impact

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	important sites?	[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 250m of a SSSI</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	Significant Positive Impact [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	Significant Negative Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Minor Positive [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Positive [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Positive [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Significant Positive Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Significant Positive Impact [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Significant Positive Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Significant Positive Impact [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Positive [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	Significant Positive Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Mostly previously developed land but includes some greenfield land. Greenfield likely to be contaminated as adjacent to military operations.</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
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**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/229: Lane at Bokesbourne Lane, Littlebourne**

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<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Minor Positive [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	No Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Minor Positive [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a well serviced bus route, convenience store and primary school. A GP surgery is slightly further.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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	6.3 Will it provide opportunities for new habitat creation or restoration and link existing habitats as part of the development process?	<p>Uncertain</p> <p>[Score as uncertain unless there are specific proposals for habitat creation or enhancement, where it is scored minor positive]</p>
	6.4 Will it ensure the sustainable management of natural habitats?	<p><i>Not applicable</i></p>
	6.5 Will it avoid damage to and protect geologically important sites?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[No impact unless site includes recognised geological features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated]</p>

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change poses a threat both in terms of flooding and drought to Canterbury. Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> <li>Water resources in the area are also likely to be placed under stress as overall rainfall in the region decreases</li> <li>One Air Quality management Area (AQMA) declared - AQMA2 Canterbury City Centre in respect of exceedences of the annual mean nitrogen dioxide (NO2) air quality objective (AQO). Includes the main road around Canterbury city centre and various roads feeding into it including parts of the A28, A2050 and A290. The earlier AQMA (AQMA1 Broad Street/Military Road) declared in 2006 is incorporated within AQMA 2.</li> <li>Average domestic consumption of 4,227 KWh compared to an average domestic consumption within the South East of 4,725 KWh.</li> </ul>	7.1 Will it reduce vulnerability to climate change?	No Impact [Score negative if proposed site lies within a flood risk area as defined by the Environment Agency. Significant if flood zone 3]
	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is not in a flood risk area.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	No Impact [No impact unless proposed site

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<p>Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>		located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	<p>No Impact</p> <p>[Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, &gt;400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]</p>
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	<p>Minor Positive</p> <p>[Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]</p>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>[Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site &gt; 400 units or when distance &gt;5km from town centre]</p>
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	<p>Minor Negative</p> <p>[Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site &gt; 400 units or when distance &gt;5km from town centre]</p>

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	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</li> <li>Life expectancy for females in</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>		
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	No Impact [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>

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<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>

**STAGE 3: SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL**  
**SHLAA/230: Land at Stonebridge Road, Kingsmead, Canterbury**

Sustainability Objectives and Baseline Information	Key questions/guidance	Sustainability Impacts
<b>1. Economy and Employment To achieve a strong and stable economy which offers rewarding and well located employment opportunities to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The economic performance of Canterbury is below the England and Wales average and notably below the South East.</li> <li>• 73.9% of people of working age within Canterbury district were economically active (2011)</li> <li>• Service sector is the largest employer in Canterbury (88%) with public sector and tourism related employers contributing the greatest proportion of jobs (40.3% and 8.9% respectively).</li> <li>• In 2011 median gross weekly earnings for employees in Canterbury District was almost £361.00, which is lower than average county, regional and national levels (£382.10, £422.00 and £405.70 respectively)</li> </ul>	1.1 Will it improve efficiency, competitiveness, vitality and adaptability of the local economy?	<i>uncertain</i>
	1.2 Will it encourage investment in businesses, people and infrastructure for the long term?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive.]
	1.3 Will it increase the number of businesses in the District?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.4 Will it help diversify the economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.5 Will it lead to an increase in the local skill base through recruitment from Canterbury's Higher education establishments?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.6 Will it help to foster growth in the knowledge based economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.7 Will it promote sustainable tourism?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	1.8 Will it help meet the employment needs of local people?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. A significant positive score assumes employment land will be delivered alongside the development, some of which will attract new business. Score loss of employment land as a negative score]
	1.9 Will it improve physical access to jobs through improved location of sites and proximity to transport links?	Minor Positive [Minor positive if the site is within 30mins public transport time of an employment site. Significant positive score for sites >400 units]

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	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site has been assessed on a development proposal for 15 dwellings. It is within 10 minutes public transport time of an employment site. Take account of existing uses and loss of employment</b>	
<b>2. Rural/Coastal Communities To sustain vibrant rural and coastal communities</b>		
N/A	2.1 Will it assist with the diversification of the rural/coastal economy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	2.2 Will it support and encourage the growth of rural/coastal businesses?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a positive minor effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.3 Will it help retain village/coastal services by stimulating demand?	Uncertain [Proposed sites in Herne Bay, Whitstable and rural locations should be assumed to have a minor positive effect. Significantly positive if site > 400 units. Sites in Canterbury will be scored as uncertain]
	2.4 Will it assist in the provision of affordable houses in rural/coastal areas?	No Impact [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is located within the Canterbury urban area.</b>	
<b>3. Water Quality To protect and improve the quality of inland and coastal waters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Kent and Swale CAMS area is one of the most intensively licensed areas for water abstraction and it is one of the driest areas in the UK with 665mm per year</li> <li>Stour CAMS area covers much of inland Canterbury district. Extreme low flow and flood events recorded in recent years.</li> <li>Area vulnerable to the effects of drought or changes in rainfall patterns.</li> </ul>	3.1 Will it minimise the adverse effects on ground and/or surface water quality?	Significant Negative Impact [All sites within 10m of surface water body assumed to be significantly negative. Sites between 10 and 25m of key drainage channels (such as coastal brooks) and rivers, lakes and ponds score minor negative. If it is a large site where there is obvious scope to avoid water bodies, also score a minor negative. Sites > 25m score no impact]
	3.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts on coastal waters, fisheries and bathing waters?	<i>Not applicable</i>

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	3.3 Will it protect and improve ground and surface water quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 10m of the River Stour.</b>	
<b>4. Transport Reduce road traffic and its impacts, promoting more sustainable modes of transport</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway network is under acute pressure and as a result, Canterbury suffers from significant peak hour congestion with congestion hot spots particularly along the A28 and the ring-road</li> <li>Large net inflow of commuters into the area as well as an influx of secondary school children and students in higher education (160,000 vehicles per day travel to and from Canterbury along the nine "A" and "B" roads that converge on the city)</li> </ul>	4.1 Will it reduce travel demand?	Significant Positive Impact [Sites located within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school to score significant positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services provided score minor positive. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.2 Will it improve transport of goods/people by more sustainable means?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.3 Will it encourage walking, cycling and use of public transport?	Significant Positive Impact [Sites located within 800m of a bus route or train station (2 services per hour min) <b>and</b> within 800m walking distant of a convenience store, GP and primary school score positive. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. Score negative if the site is beyond 800m of the public transport provision even if within walking distance of the other local services. Sites beyond 800m walking distance of these services score as negative. If site beyond this distance and > 100 units score as significantly negative]
	4.4 Will it help to reduce traffic congestion and improve road safety?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	4.5 Will it reduce the need to travel?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 800m walking distance of a convenience store, primary school and GP surgery.</b> [Make a particular reference to any particular known transport improvements, such as bus links.]	

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<b>5. Countryside and Historic Environment To protect and improve landscapes for both people and wildlife and to protect and maintain vulnerable assets (including built and historic)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church are UNESCO World Heritage site.</li> <li>In 2011, there were 2,896 statutory listed buildings, 798 locally important buildings, 94 conservation areas, 53 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 2 historic parks or gardens in the Canterbury district.</li> <li>There are 19 heritage assets at risk in the Canterbury district on the City Council's 2010 Heritage at Risk Register. Of these, two from a total of 185, (1.08%), are grade 1, or grade II* listed buildings. There are 5 scheduled monuments at risk from a total of 53 (9.4%).</li> <li>In addition, there are a further 32 gardens on the Kent Gardens Trust/Kent County Council compendium.</li> </ul>	5.1 Will it improve access to the countryside and open space?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	5.2 Will it avoid adverse impacts and enhance designated and non-designated landscape features?	Minor Negative [No impact for sites located > 1km from designated landscape. For sites <1km or where there are significant non-designated landscape features, score minor negative. For sites located in or including designated landscape features, score as significant negative]
	5.3 Will it protect and enhance Green Infrastructure throughout the district?	Minor Negative [PDL sites will be positive and greenfield sites will be negative. Site will be significantly positive or negative if > 100 dwellings]
	5.4 Will it improve access to urban open space?	Minor Positive [Score positive if the proposed site is within 400m of open space* (+2 hectares in size). Score significant if site > 100 units or if open space or significant links to be provided on site. Score negative if open space is removed. NB *open space includes designated urban open space and publicly accessible / managed sites adjacent to the urban edge ]
	5.5 Will it help to protect and enhance sites, areas and features of historic, cultural archaeological and architectural interest?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes cultural heritage features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if evaluation requested]
	5.6 Will it help to conserve historic buildings, places and spaces that enhance local distinctiveness, character and appearance through sensitive adaptation and re-use?	No Impact [No impact unless site includes historic features. Impacts will be significantly negative where feature is designated. Score uncertain if designated features on an adjacent site]
	5.7 Will it improve and promote access to buildings and landscapes of historic/cultural value?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is within 1km of an Area of High Landscape Value (AHLV). It is a greenfield site. Adjacent to an area of Open Space (Kingsmead Fields).</b>	

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<b>6. Geology and Biodiversity To avoid damage to geological sites and improve biodiversity</b>		
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<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is adjacent to a Site of Nature Conservation Interest (SNCI) - The River Stour corridor.</b>		
<b>7. Climate Change, Energy and Air Quality To reduce the causes and impacts of climate change, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency</b>		
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	7.2 Will it reduce or minimise greenhouse gas emissions?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.3 Will it maintain and improve local air quality?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.4 Will it minimise the need for energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.5 Will it increase efficiency in the use of energy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	7.6 Will it help to increase the share of energy generated from renewable sources?	Uncertain [Score as uncertain unless proposed site is size where number of units >750 assuming dwelling density of 30 dph and could support CHP and then score as positive]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is in a flood risk zone 2.</b>	
<b>8. Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion To reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion which would be detrimental to the public well-being, the economy and the environment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particular concern is the increased frequency and severity of coastal flood events. EA propose 'Hold the Line' for most coastline; however, between Reculver and Minnis Bay a 'managed realignment' strategy has been recommended by the EA.</li> <li>Inland sections of the district which are at risk of flooding particularly areas around the River Stour, including the section which runs through Canterbury itself.</li> </ul>	8.1 Will it help to minimise the risk of flooding to existing and new developments/infrastructure?	Minor Negative [Score as uncertain unless site included in Flood Risk Area when score as negative. Significant if flood zone 3]
	8.2 Will it help to discourage inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.3 Will it help to manage and reduce the risks associated with coastal erosion?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	8.4 Will it reduce vulnerability to flooding and coastal erosion?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is in a flood risk zone 2</b>	

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<b>9. Access to Services Share access to services and benefits of prosperity fairly and improve wellbeing of everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seasalter, Greenhill and Eddington, Gorrell, Heron, Northgate, Barton and Wincheap have LSOAS in the 20% most deprived in England</li> <li>37 primary schools, seventeen secondary schools, two pupil referral units and two special schools</li> <li>5,665 secondary places for years 7-11 will be required by 2012 and 5,078 places by 2017, allowing for 5% surplus capacity within secondary schools over the district as a whole. These figures suggest a need to remove 275 secondary places for years 7-11 by 2012 and 862 places by 2017</li> <li>Canterbury is a net importer of secondary students (from neighbouring districts).</li> <li>Some schools such as Herne Bay high school over subscribed and others currently undersubscribed.</li> <li>Approximately 700 pupils attend grammar schools in Faversham, Canterbury and Thanet.</li> <li>Canterbury Christ Church University main campus is based in Canterbury, in addition the University of Kent and the University of Creative Arts both have campuses in Canterbury.</li> <li>26.6% of the population have NVQ level 4 or above. This is lower than for the South East (33.9%) and Great Britain as a whole (31.3%).</li> <li>percentage of the population with no qualifications at all is 7.2% of the working age population which is lower than as the South East (8.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (11.3%).</li> </ul>	9.1 Will it improve social and environmental conditions in the most deprived areas?	Minor Positive [No impact unless proposed site located in identified disadvantaged ward. Significant if site > 100 units]
	9.2 Will it increase economic activity?	No Impact [Housing and employment land sites could have a positive effect. Where site equivalent to less than 100 units score as no impact, 100 - 400 minor positive, >400 significant positive. Score loss of employment land as a negative score ]
	9.3 Will it improve access to skills and training for raising employment potential?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	9.4 Will it help to provide more equal access to opportunities, services and facilities (e.g. sport, culture, health, education, open space etc.)?	Significant Positive Impact [Score significant positive if proposed site is within 800m walking distance of primary school, convenience store and GP surgery. If site is within 800m of 2 of 3 services score minor positive. No negative scores]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions: The site is in Northgate ward</b>	
<b>10. Sustainable Living and Revitalisation To revitalise town and rural centres and to promote sustainable living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The closest A&amp;E services are in Margate and Ashford. Kent and Canterbury Hospital does not have Accident and Emergency services.</li> <li>Newly opened minor injury unit at Estuary View Medical Centre in Seasalter, Whitstable.</li> </ul>	10.1 Will it improve townscapes/rural centres and physical assets?	Uncertain
	10.2 Will it encourage more people to live in town centres?	Minor Positive [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.3 Will location encourage increased use of shops or services within town centre?	Minor Positive [Sites located within town centre will score significantly positive. Sites in the wider urban areas score minor positive. Sites on urban fringe, out of town or isolated greenfield to score

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		negative. Significant when site > 400 units or when distance >5km from town centre]
	10.4 Will it promote responsible tourism which is both ecologically and culturally sensitive?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	10.5 Will it improve physical access to services, such as a GP, a hospital, schools, areas of employment and retail centres?	<i>Uncertain</i>
<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>		
<b>11. High Quality Design and Sustainability To encourage sustainable design and practice</b>		
Material assets, Landscape, Cultural heritage	11.1 Will it use architectural design to enhance the local distinctiveness of development?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.2 Will it improve the quality of the built environment through high standards of sustainable design and construction of new and existing buildings?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	11.3 Will it affect light and noise pollution?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>12. Housing To make suitable housing available and affordable to everyone</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Canterbury had a population of 149,100 (2009)</li> <li>64,070 units (April 2010)</li> <li>Average annual housing completion figure since 06/07 is 798 units</li> </ul>	12.1 Will it encourage more access to affordable housing?	Minor Positive [All sites of 15 units or over or ½ hectare or over and sites of 5 units or over in rural areas score as minor positive. All sites in rural/coastal locations less than this score as no impact. Sites above 100 units score as significant]
	12.2 Will it encourage access to decent housing?	Minor Positive [Sites between 0 – 100 units minor positive. Sites above 100 units score as significant positive]
	12.3 Will it provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet residents' needs and aspiration and create balanced communities?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	12.4 Will it reduce the number of unfit and empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.5 Will it reduce the number of empty homes?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	12.6 Will it reduce the level of homelessness in the District?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>13. Quality of Life To improve the quality of life for those living and working in the District</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For 2010/11, the number of notifiable offences in Canterbury recorded by the police for violence against a person</li> </ul>	13.1 Will it reduce actual levels of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.2 Will it reduce the fear of crime?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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<p>was 1,572. For robbery offences and theft of a motor vehicle, the number recorded was 92 and 165 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life expectancy for females in Canterbury district at birth was 82.4 years, less than for the South East (83.3). Life expectancy at birth was 78.5 years which was also marginally lower than the South East (79.4).</li> <li>The 2001 census data reports that of the 135,278 people in Canterbury 67.5% described themselves as being in good health, 23.5% in fairly good health and 9% in not good health.</li> </ul>	13.3 Will it reduce death rates and negative health impacts in key vulnerable groups?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.4 Will it promote healthy lifestyles?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.5 Will it improve peoples' perception of their local area being a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	13.6 Will it promote sport and physical activity?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
	<b>14. Use of Land To deliver more sustainable use of land in more sustainable location patterns</b>	
Soil, Material Assets, Landscape	14.1 Will it promote the wise use of land (minimise development on greenfield land)?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.2 Will it reduce the amount of derelict, degraded and underused land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.3 Will it reduce land contamination?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant. Greenfield sites to score minor negative]
	14.4 Will it promote the use of previously developed land?	Minor Negative [PDL sites to score positive. Greenfield sites to score negative. Where site exceeds 100 units, score significant]
	14.5 Will it encourage urban renaissance?	Minor Negative [Small urban sites < 400 units score as a minor positive impact. Large urban sites (> 400 units, score as significant positive impact. All other sites score as no impact]
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>15. Natural Resources To ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources</b>		
Material Assets, Soil	15.1 Will it minimise the demand for raw materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.2 Will it promote the use of local resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.3 Will it reduce minerals extracted and imported?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.4 Will it increase efficiency in the use of raw materials and promote recycling?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.5 Will it minimise the use of water and increase efficiency in water use?	<i>Uncertain</i>

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	15.6 Will it protect water resources?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	15.7 Will it encourage farming practices sensitive to the character of the countryside?	<i>Not applicable</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	
<b>16. Waste To reduce generation and disposal of waste, and achieve sustainable management of waste</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2009/10 Canterbury produced 61,726 tonnes of municipal waste and 55,834 of household waste.</li> <li>In 2009/10 residents produced 479kg of household waste per household, 45.3% of which was recycled, reused or composted.</li> <li>Total of 63 recycling sites across Canterbury district. Of these 27 are in Canterbury, 16 in Whitstable, 8 in Herne Bay with the remaining 12 in the villages around the district.</li> <li>KCC operates two household waste recycling centres within Canterbury district; the Canterbury Recycling Centre and the Herne Bay Household Waste Recycling Centre.</li> </ul>	16.1 Will it reduce the amount of waste generated?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.2 Will it encourage the recycling of waste?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.3 Will it increase the demand for recycled materials?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	16.4 Will it ensure the management of wastes consistent with the waste management hierarchy?	<i>Uncertain</i>
	<b>Discussion and Assumptions:</b>	

<b>OVERALL COMMENTS.</b>
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