

# Westgate-on-Sea Neighbourhood Plan - Summary of Responses to Public Consultation

## Regulation 16 - The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 - 15 September - 27 October 2022

40 responses were received during the consultation period, and an additional two late responses which were accepted by the Examiner.

Summary of issues raised:

- Comments (objections and supporting) relating to the land strategic land allocation in the Thanet Local Plan
- Suggested additions to strengthen the Tree policy
- Comments objecting to restricting cycling along the promenade, improvements encouraging walking, cycling and use of public transport should be positively considered, reference should be made to parking standards and highway layout
- Comments relating to WSP2 to clarify the policy
- Objections to some of the proposed Local Green Spaces
- Advice regarding updated PPG that all sources of flooding should be taken into consideration
- Objections to the Westgate Countryside Triangle
- Suggested amendments relating to the inclusion of Biodiversity Net Gain to reflect the mandatory requirement from November
- Updated trajectory relating to the strategic housing allocation
- Comments relating to the current planning application and local plan examination including site boundary, and functional green corridor
- Suggestions to increase effectiveness of Climate Change policy
- Suggestions to clarify the provision of infrastructure
- Support for changes made to the Design policy following comments made at the Reg 14 consultation
- Comments that some parts of the plan could be worded more positively
- Reference to CIL charges should be removed as Thanet District Council is not a CIL charging authority
- Objections to the use of S106 money being diverted from funding road infrastructure
- Reference should be made to the heritage of the area before the emergence of the town

- KCC should be informed of any Heritage Assets included designated by the TC to ensure they are added to the HER
- Consider including a policy on scheduled monuments
- Text should include reference to a maintenance plan for SUDS and considered a policy on surface water management and the provision of blue and green infrastructure, suggested amendment to policy to ensure the requirements for a Flood Risk Assessment are stated correctly
- Suggested wording to Biodiversity policy to avoid the possibility of unsuitable mitigation being proposed