

Shaping our Future - Core Strategy Preferred Options Consultation

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The Role and Identity of Thanet's Towns and Villages - Options A1-A4

Options A1-A4: Do you agree with the Preferred Options?

Yes

No

A1-A4 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**No more development without relevent ifrastructure. Thanet seems to do this the wrong way round. Housing should be demand led not developer led.**]

The Level of Housing Growth - Options B1-B3

Options B1-B3: Do you agree with the Preferred Options?

Yes

No

B1-B3 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**I believe that we should concentrate on the empty property situation first which could provide sustainable quality homes. Having done that then consider the the demand. The decline in economically active people could be stopped by restricting retirement flats. This is already having a serious effect on the health service.]**

The Development Pattern - Options C1-C3

Options C1-C3: Do you agree with the Preferred Options?

Yes

No

C1-C3 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Increased housing is not sustainable in terms of water supply. If we concrete over the Island then it will be lost.]**

Providing for Economic Prosperity - Options D1-D9

Options D1-D9: Do you agree with the Preferred Options?

Yes

No

D1-D9 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**We should actively promote the airport as a forth London airport.]**

The Future Role of Westwood - Options E1-E7

Options E1-E7: Do you agree with the Preferred Options?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

E1-E7 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**The level of development should be held until our ghost towns have regenerated. The current design of Westwood cross is a mess. The road access should be by ring road and all parts linked by pedestrian walkways. At present people drive from one part to another as that is safer than going by foot. Hence the current gridlock that threatens economic growth.**]

The Coastal Town Centres - Options F1-F4

Options F1-F4: Do you agree with the Preferred Options?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

F1-F4 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS1

Do you agree with Policy DCS1?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS1 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Thanet Council to impose a number of jobs per acre. Large warehousing is not the answer. Development only to be allowed after infrastructure in place. Environmental safeguards to be put in place. Adequate shielding to be put in place to protect character of surrounding villages (plant trees).**]

Policy DCS2

Do you agree with Policy DCS2?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS2 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS3

Do you agree with Policy DCS3?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS3 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS4

Do you agree with Policy DCS4?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS4 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Any development should be shielded by woodland to avoid losing the character of Acol Villiage**]

Policy DCS5

Do you agree with Policy DCS5?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

DCS5 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**This area includes farmland and would swamp the village of Manston. I think this needs to be examined very closely as to its affect on the comunities.**]

Policy DCS6

Do you agree with Policy DCS6?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS6 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS7

Do you agree with Policy DCS7?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS7 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS8

Do you agree with Policy DCS8?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

DCS8 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Only partly agree. There must be a ring road to encircle all parts of Westwood. At present pedestrian access from one part to the other is very difficult. This leads to people driving from one part to the other EG Marks and Spencer to say Matalan. This ring road should run from New Haine Road, back of Sainesburys, back of Tesco, down poorhole lane, Star lane and onwards to link at Westwood cross roundabout. This should be a priority before any further development.**]

Policy DCS9

Do you agree with Policy DCS9?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

DCS9 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Professional and financial services should be restricted to Town centres where they are needed to stem current decline.**]

Policy DCS10

Do you agree with Policy DCS10?

Yes [Selected]

No []

DCS10 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS11

Do you agree with Policy DCS11?

Yes []

No [Selected]

DCS11 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**This should not be at the expense of valuable farmland and open spaces. The council should rule "no infrastructure no development".**]

Policy DCS12

Do you agree with Policy DCS12?

Yes []

No [Selected]

DCS12 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**This plan is not sustainable. It is too high density. It will add to the traffic chaos. It will be easier for shoppers to go to Canterbury from the west side of Margate. This is a developers dream but a nightmare for local people. The area will become a geto charged with anti social behavior. More open space is required and ammenities for young people.]**

Policy DCS13

Do you agree with Policy DCS13?

Yes

No **Selected**

DCS13 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Get the ifrastructure right first before allowing any development.]**

Policy DCS14

Do you agree with Policy DCS14?

Yes **Selected**

No

DCS14 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS15

Do you agree with Policy DCS15?

Yes [Selected]

No []

DCS15 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**The council's policies have destroyed Margate and its Town Centre. They need to put it right. The main cause of decline is competition from Westwood, high business rates for shops and inappropriate development. I think before proceeding it is necessary to take stock of what we have. We need action to be taken against absent landlords who leave property delapidated and empty. Upgrade the housing stock by renovation. If property was tidied up then the feel good factor and pride will return to the town.]**

Policy DCS16

Do you agree with Policy DCS16?

Yes [Selected]

No []

DCS16 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS17

Do you agree with Policy DCS17?

Yes [Selected]

No []

DCS17 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS18

Do you agree with Policy DCS18?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS18 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS19

Do you agree with Policy DCS19?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS19 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Look after the coast it is our major resource.
Encourage ECO tourism to see our often rare and
unspoiled coast and what it has to offer.]**

Policy DCS20

Do you agree with Policy DCS20?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS20 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS21

Do you agree with Policy DCS21?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS21 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS22

Do you agree with Policy DCS22?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS22 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS23

Do you agree with Policy DCS23?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS23 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS24

Do you agree with Policy DCS24?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS24 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Put in the infrastructure first.**]

Policy DCS25

Do you agree with Policy DCS25?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS25 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**Each project to be considered on its merit by full council only. Active consultation should be undertaken with those immediately affected.**]

Policy DCS26

Do you agree with Policy DCS26?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

DCS26 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**No land should be released for housing until the majority of property already built has been sold. Estimates of demand for housing must be scrutinised very closely.**]

Policy DCS27

Do you agree with Policy DCS27?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS27 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS28

Do you agree with Policy DCS28?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

DCS28 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**This policy should not apply to all sites only those deemed suitable.**]

Policy DCS29

Do you agree with Policy DCS29?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS29 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS30

Do you agree with Policy DCS30?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS30 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS31

Do you agree with Policy DCS31?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

DCS31 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**All demolition of existing houses for flats should be stopped except for extreme circumstances. The growth of flats in Thanet has already changed the character to its detriment. More flats will only store trouble for the future. Today's flats will become tomorrow's getos like Arlington House.**]

Policy DCS32

Do you agree with Policy DCS32?

Yes [**Selected**]

No []

DCS32 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

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Policy DCS33

Do you agree with Policy DCS33?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

DCS33 Answers

If you disagree, what alternatives are you proposing?

[**No development without proposed infrastructure**]

CS1

Do you think the Core Strategy is founded on a robust and credible evidence base?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

CS2

Do you think the Core Strategy is the most appropriate strategy when considered against the reasonable alternatives?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

CS3

Do you think the Core Strategy is deliverable?

Yes []

No [**Selected**]

CS4

Do you think the Core Strategy is flexible?

Yes

No

CS5

Do you think the Core Strategy is able to be monitored?

Yes

No

CS6

Do you think the Core Strategy is consistent with national policy?

Yes

No

CS7

If you answered 'no' to any of the previous questions, please tell us why.

[Much of the policy is open to criticism although some of it is right.]

CS8

Do you think there are any other matters which the Core Strategy should contain?

[It needs to consider its coastline more and the protection of its unique environment]