

MGP – Hoo Development Framework – Consultation

Points for consideration when completing the consultation:

* Housing targets are Government imposed.
* Government housing targets do not reflect local housing need.
* Current Local Plan 2003 – 2018 is out of date.
* Housing Infrastructure Fund is only for transport and environment.
* HIF application was flawed.
* Non-HIF infrastructure requirements will be very costly.
* Non-HIF infrastructure includes: Schools, Surgeries and Community Facilities.
* Non-HIF infrastructure also includes: sewers, sewage treatment, surface water drainage, water supply and flood protection.
* If non-HIF infrastructure paid for by house buyers, houses will be unaffordable.
* If houses are built and infrastructure not provided, all the Hoo Peninsula will suffer.
* Proposed development is on Grade One agricultural farmland.
* Developers have already taken out options to buy land from farmers.
* Farmers have stopped using the blighted land, food output has suffered.
* Proposed development is close to Special Protection Areas for nature.
* Medway Council will be at risk of legal challenges by Nature Conservation Groups.
* More people living on the Peninsula will mean more cats hunting wildlife in Special Protection Areas.
* Research studies have shown Cat hunting ranges over 5 miles.
* Development Framework takes no account of on-going flood risks due to climate change.
* The North Kent Marshes and Medway Estuary are part of the sacrificial flood plain that will protect London.
* This consultation does not constitute planning policy.
* Medway Council say that the consultation comments will inform the new Medway Local Plan.
* Medway Council have pre-empted the legal process and a lot of damage has already been done.
* **HELP US STOP MORE DAMAGE TO THE PENINSULA – HAVE YOUR SAY.**

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