

Respondent ID	Agent ID	Document Part Name	Comment (plain text)	TMBC response
			The statements in Question 1 are vacuous. Everyone is going to agree to all of them.	
42028961	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3	What does "affordability is much improved" of housing mean? Lower cost housing? How low? Affordable to someone on We are currently building to a formulae which is outdated and does nothing to enhance the quality of life of our residents. Insulation standards are too low, parking provision is appalling and why oh why do we no insist on PV generation on all new homes and businesses?	Comment noted.
42038785	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3	I want the industrial space relooked at and redesigned. Housing can be accommodated here. Look at areas of the high street, the empty Beales, the industrial estate with acres of concrete which is unsightly and unused for the majority of the time. DO NOT GO ABOUT landing huge estates taking up all the green space. The Safeguarding green spaces is key and should be integral to all other aspects.	Comment noted.
42044577	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comment relating to industrial estates and housing potential noted.
42107681	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comment relating to safeguarding of green space noted.
42141985	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3	It should be a place where people can enjoy the outdoors and have greenspace for children and parents to play together. It should not be a housing estate where every inch of green grass is built on such I believe the majority of people live in the borough attracted by the countryside environment . This is without doubt under threat with possible further housing estate planning . National government	Comment relating to safeguarding of green space noted.
42144545	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3	The local authority seems to be trying to identify a number of urban green areas and car parks for possible development. This may allow them to meet a local government target but will negatively affect all those people living in the areas around the proposed development sites and if successful the lives of local residents for years to come by reducing green space and car parking facilities.	Comment relating to safeguarding of green space noted.
42149537	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3	These plans will affect the ability of all those living around the sites to sell their houses and will affect the value of those houses, by I have seen cities with rivers going through them that make maximum use of them for recreation as well as enhancing the environment. I have seen San Antonio in Texas which turned a rubbish-filled ditch into what is now the beating heart of the city and Perth in Western Australia that is my image of a modern, clean	Comment relating to safeguarding of green space and car parking noted.
38377665	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Protection of green belt is paramount otherwise environmental character of area is changed FOR EVER.	Comment noted.
42333569	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Only build on brown field sites.	Comment supporting Green Belt protection noted.
42353345	0	3.1.1 - 3.1.3	The green lanes running between your site for development in Borough Green and urban centres and railway stations are already under stress and dangerous. Improvements to rail and bus infrastructure are essential before development. Any sustainability	Comments highlighting a new for road capacity improvements at Borough Green noted. The Local Plan strategy will be supported by transport modelling evidence.

42363585	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	I moved to Mereworth 10 years ago to start my family in a rural setting where nature, fields and a small village influenced my decision. I moved from Dartford which in my life went from a market town to almost a London borough so densely compacted with housing with no thought to peoples lives and the roads and I would like Tonbridge & Malling to be a place that is clean, safe, inspiring, and family oriented. A place that isn't crammed full of infrastructure and housing estates. A place that puts quality of life for all people above all else. A place where considered decisions are made with intent, and not made to tick a box. I look at our spaces today and they are eroding. Housing estates so full of cars they become impassable. Roads dug up time and time again leaving	Comments relating to character protection of Mereworth noted.
42388097	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	A thriving set of communities, which respect the history and beauty of our local area. Building should be focused on existing urban areas, preserving as much green belt land as possible. A key objective should be to minimise the amount of green belt which is covered by buildings and building-related infrastructure which then	Comments supporting quality of life and infrastructure provision noted.
38333633	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	1. maximise use of brownfield 2. maximise use of flats in urban areas, including 40% social housing 3. don't build on green field for plots less than 100 housing units 4. do not build on Green Belt	Comment supporting Green Belt protection and brownfield land prioritisation noted.
42197121	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	5. additional investment should improve transport links, and in particular improve bus services (which are poor) and their	Comment supporting delivery in urban areas and brownfield land prioritisation noted.
42444161	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	A place bustling with wildlife and trees Most people's vision will not accord with any version of the local plan as the sheer size of the housing numbers imposed by central government mean the consultation to the local plan is skewed. A key element of a local plan that many people would choose is to limit the speed of development and growth. Even if enough infrastructure was to be built, i.e. Doctors Surgeries, you cannot simply recruit the staff. If the numbers are to be imposed, then TBMC should prioritise protection of. Open Countryside. Agricultural Land which is important for sustainability and the environment.	Comment noted.
42447265	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Historic Areas and Conservation Areas should be protected.	Comments relating to the speed of growth and infrastructure noted.
42444161	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	The area of Kings Hill was appealing as it was surrounded by countryside and wildlife all of which are decreasing with the ever-	Comments relating to Kings Hill noted.

42560577	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	I do not want to see Leybourne, West Malling and Kings Hill developed to the point where all three areas become one. I would like to see the green belt that separates these areas left in place to Tonbridge should be less traffic thereby clean air, agricultural land so we can feed ourselves with good schools and medical facilities.	Comments relating to protection of the separation between settlements noted.
42584097	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	The elderly are happy to use local facilities but if we keep having to An area where the road infrastructure does not get clogged up with traffic, where public transport is available; Where individuals can easily access medical staff in person. We currently do not have	Comments relating to infrastructure within Tonbridge noted.
42584513	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	enough doctors for the current population and the roads and trains In Q1 below - one answer is "A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character." I genuinely don't understand in	Comments in relation to infrastructure demands and provision noted.
42584545	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	I am of firm belief that it is important that there is a clear plan for development which if implemented is correctly managed. Take Tonbridge town centre as an example, this area has plenty of scope for improvement and development in order to meet development needs. The shopping area around Sainsburys and the Angel centre is of poor design and the area it occupies is not well laid out, a proper review of this would bring benefits to the Town centre with increased space for high quality retail and low cost housing, improvements could be made in order to improve traffic flow and also to reduce the reliance on private cars. Tonbridge Borough often seem to tackle projects in a half hearted and ill thought out manner, take for example the redesign of the High Street which	Comment noted.
42585473	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	caused gridlock and was then pulled apart at great cost to reinstate Note that the house price / earnings ratio is not an issue for Kings Hill, and hence the first is not a specific priority for Kings Hill even	Comments relating to the future role of sites within central Tonbridge noted.
39011745	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Affordable housing is very useful, of course; the issue tends to be that when it is built it tends to be immediately snapped up by	Comments relating to affordability noted.
42587713	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Whilst there is a lot of emphasis in the Reg 18 on how to accommodate the required housing numbers, the economic strength of the Borough must also be given the attention required	Comment in relation to affordable housing noted.
42606657	42606113 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	the vision is aspirational and not deliverable.	Comments relating to the need for economic foundations and prevention of dormitory towns noted.
42616033	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	I believe all these are important however I do not believe your Local Plan delivers on this. It may in certain areas of the Borough but I live in Kings Hill and in this area you are planning to turn it into a town (which it is not) - residents moved here to be part of a village. You are planning on over developing it and specifically you are planning to build on top of our few current green spaces and biodiversity spaces and community activity spaces. Kings Hill does not have the infrastructure to cope with 6000 new homes. You have classified it as similar to Tonbridge just so that you can over develop it. This is purely money led and does not think about life for those who live here, many of whom moved here to move away from the hustle and bustle of city life and to a small village community. You have plans to build on vital green space on Tower view. These are a vital	Comment noted.
42470433	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	part of community life: children play games here, in the snow	Comments relating to character protection of Kings Hill and infrastructure concerns noted.
42627585	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Green space, good transport links, active travel options, local	Comment noted.
38332545	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	All	Comment noted.

The existing Green Belt Area, especially in the village of Shipbourne must not be reduced.

42648321	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>It is already an area of OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY and any further building, of ANY nature will only serve to Urbanise the I would like to see a Tonbridge and Malling where all Green Belt is very strongly protected and all development is on brownfield land in large towns even if it means you have to build higher and with more density. This is especially true of Tonbridge but also Kings Hill. It should not be the case for villages, including West Malling, whose rural character should be respected in terms of density. At all cost suburbanisation of the countryside should be avoided. An awful example of this is the inexplicable "Lancaster Park"</p>	Comment supporting Green Belt protection noted.
25104193	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>An area retaining green belt land, improved road systems - safe, affordable, sustainable travel for all. Hildenborough to retain it's identity as a village. Less pollution. Good facilities for health and I believe all these are important however I do not believe your Local Plan delivers on this. It may in certain areas of the Borough but I live in Kings Hill and in this area you are planning to turn it into a town (which it is not) - residents moved here to be part of a village, and original Kings Hill promotional materials explicitly touted it as the "UK' most successful new village". You are planning on over developing it and specifically you are planning to build on top of our few current green spaces and biodiversity spaces and community activity spaces. Kings Hill does not have the infrastructure to cope with 6000 new homes. You are killing the very essence of Kings Hill - and as a result, you should expect the wealth that you attracted into the area to leave it over coming years. If I was a wealthy City worker, who left London for some leafy green, spacious village - why would I stay if that gets destroyed? If I'm going to live in a concrete jungle, I might as well move back to London and be near to genuine amenities and my workplace. You have classified Kings Hill as similar to Tonbridge just so that you can over develop it. This is literally a work of fiction and does not consider the quality of life for those who live here, many of whom moved here to move away from the hustle and bustle of city life and to a small village community. You have plans to build on vital green space on Tower view. These are a vital part of community life: children play games</p>	Comment supporting Green Belt protection noted.
42674753	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>A key question is whether we want the character of the area (as set out in the previous section) to change?</p>	Comment supporting Green Belt protection noted.
42442241	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>My answer to this is NO, I do not want the character of the area to change. There is a major risk of the area becoming more urbanised,</p>	Comments relating to character protection of Kings Hill and infrastructure concerns noted.
42714529	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comment noted.

42716001	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>We want it to retain its character as a rural borough with Tonbridge as its main town centre. We wish individual villages and hamlets to remain as distinct communities not part of a conglomeration, ie with only acceptable development where the landscape and countryside are respected and biodiversity is definitely maintained and improved. We wish primary children to be able to attend local schools on foot if possible. Good transport links between facilities to avoid congestion and therefore more pollution, with good walking and cycling accessibility. Every new house should be optimally insulated and have solar panels or heat pumps as applicable, harmonise with the local housing and be close to available employment. There should be an emphasis on council Protecting Green belt</p> <p>protecting small communities</p>	<p>Comments relating to protection of the rural character with Tonbridge as the principal town noted.</p> <p>Comments supporting landscape protection, infrastructure provision and sustainable construction methods noted.</p>
42716289	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>using existing infrastructure more efficiently</p> <p>My vision of the future is to maintain areas of countryside for future generations and NOT to have a concrete jungle in the area. There should be a sustainable infrastructure that will adequately support any increase in population which will need more schools ,doctors etc. transport systems must also fit the increase.</p>	<p>comments relating to green belt protection and infrastructure requirements noted.</p>
42667041	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>A future where:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The green belt is largely intact 2. There is a genuine move towards walking and cycling and not just lip service 	<p>Comments relating to countryside protection noted.</p>
42719841	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>I have lived in the TMBC area my whole life and seen it get ever more built up over the decades. If we are not very careful it will end up like looking like another borough of Greater London like Bromley and Orpington. I would like to see current green spaces in around existing developments protected as they provide high quality living</p>	<p>Comment supporting Green Belt protection noted.</p>
42720001	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>Retaining the spatial character of the district particularly West / East Malling , which is in danger of coalescence resulting from</p>	<p>Comments relating to green space and character protection noted.</p>
42722305	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>A place that reflects changes in attitude to how we balance work and home, protect and reverse biodiversity loss, combats climate change and reduces vehicle traffic. And to reflect the changing</p>	<p>Comment relating to protectio of character noted.</p>
42723457	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>All matter, but a strong infrastructure, basic shops and services, traffic safety, improving congestion and freeing up of main highways, discouraging cut through lanes/shortcuts and clamping down on speeding are all essential in providing growing</p>	<p>Comments on the role of work/life balance, biodiversity, climate change and reduction of traffic in the vision noted.</p>
42723233	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>communities with the necessary support and safety needs to help I do not want West Malling to become a suburb of Maidstone. Increasingly we are eroding the spaces between villages such that there is no natural gap between villages - which is the essence of a Kentish village. If I look back to where my parents moved</p>	<p>Comments relating to infrastructure provision and requirements noted.</p>
42723329	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>(Barnehurst in the London Borough of Bexley) in the 1950s, this was</p>	<p>Comments relating to protection of the separation between settlements noted.</p>

		I want it to retain its green spaces especially in Leybourne where I live. it is imperative that public transport is improved for those that don't drive / unable to due to age/ disability. The public transport is worse in Leybourne/ Kings Hill than very rural areas I have lived in.	
42735841	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	I want to see green field sites protected for their beauty, people to enjoy and for wildlife and taking down trees to make way for houses contributes to climate change.	Comments supporting green space protection noted.
42745121	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Semi rural, managed housing developments to maintain amenity, full consideration of risk of over development regards traffic and	Comments noted.
42768321	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	By telling the participant how to answer 3.1.3 consultation document this prevents a resident led answer to the local plan.	Comment noted.
42787713	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	It is important to bear in mind that TMBC has a high concentration of heritage assets and areas of outstanding natural beauty within its territory. T&M should retain these characteristics as they contribute to health & well-being, historical importance of the	Comments relating to historical and landscape protection noted, in particular the health and wellbeing elements of this.
42793409	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Place needs to be kept with countryside and wildlife not harmed	Comments relating to countryside protection noted.
		Unfortunately, the questions that you wish to be answered are very limited in scope and imagination therefore are not helpful to policy. All the visions are desirable but what is even remotely achievable. Is it even possible to create thriving urban and rural economies when we are really a commuter suburb. What will be the vision when commuting is no longer necessary or required?	
42792257	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	At the moment Tonbridge and Malling is a pleasant mix of rural and urban areas but over the last few years it has become more and more urban. This needs to be stopped, especially in the Kings Hill,	Comments supporting the inclusion of vision elements noted.
42795329	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	All the elements of the proposed vision are attractive. It is thus difficult to select only three, when the package as a whole seems	Comments relating to rural character protection noted.
42794625	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	The character the borough should be kept.	Comments supporting elements of the vision noted.
		Consideration to whether people can walk to local amenities.	
42720897	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	Infrastructure needs to be improved.	
		Enough schools and medical facilities to be provided	Comments supporting character protection and infrastructure provision noted.
		My comment relates to further building directly in the historic village of West Malling. To avoid confusion this is the area surrounding West Malling high street	
		Despite ruining the setting of West Malling, further building directly in the village will only add to traffic problems as the road and infrastructure are simply not built to take more traffic than what it already services. Even a small development would add a huge strain on the infrastructure	
		I come from a time before the Kings Hill bypass was built, which was built to service the Kings Hill estate, but also to alleviate traffic through the village of West Malling. It was regularly grid locked	
		It doesn't make sense to keep adding housing to such a beautiful town when there is a dual carriageway directly servicing the modern, purpose built kings hill estate which has the infrastructure in place to cope with an increase in housing and traffic	
42800961	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comments relating to West Malling and transport infrastructure noted.

I would like to see local young people having the option to continue living here and some sort of scheme that retains a percentage of affordable properties for people with community links, so they are not forced to leave their communities and families to have to travel back to work or visit.

42801377	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	To see original thinking which moves with the time using unused I have not filled in the below questionnaire as it can be interpreted in many different ways depending on who is reading it. I believe the vast number of local residents are unhappy with the constant development of the Borough and this even includes many younger people who are still trying to get on the housing market. Affordable housing can be built in areas which do not include our precious green belt. Has the current climate change crisis not taught us Please preserve our green belt land.	Comments supporting a proportion of affordable housing for residents noted.
42803009	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	There are a lot of comments about sites being within x number of metres of an existing facility but very little comment about their capacity and ability to absorb a significant increase in people. For example, it's irrelevant if there is a GP surgery nearby if they are at This list, amazingly, does not include any specific reference to the value of the Green Belt and the AONBs to the residents and visitors to the borough. It only includes a reference to landscapes and open countryside being respected, which I assume means cannot be developed into something different, but maybe in means something different from that. It also links to accessibility which is not the only way the unspoiled countryside can be enjoyed (in fact too many people 'accessing' an area of open countryside can be I would like to see more infrastructure for cycling between Hildenborough and Tonbridge. I don't drive and work in Tonbridge I commute by bicycle into the town using the cycle lanes. I would Where T&M put quality of life in communities first, do not overdevelop historical communities, search for areas for housing that do not put further traffic and pollution problems on existing communities and promote agriculture and manufacturing for	Comment supporting Green Belt protection noted.
42330721	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comment supporting Green Belt protection noted.
42807073	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comments relating to the capacity of infrastructure opposed to distance from service noted.
42806945	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comment supporting Green Belt protection and maintaining the character of the borough noted.
42810273	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comments supporting more cycling infrastructure noted.
42745121	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comments relating to the role of manufacturing alongside other growth noted.

42799617	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>I consider that Assessed Local Housing Need to provide truly affordable well designed market housing and secure social housing must be the top priority for Tonbridge and in the rest of the Borough for the Local Plan period. This must also be balanced with retention and enhancement of existing landscape and architectural/historic character, ecological diversity, agricultural land and sustainability. Infrastructure and services must be provided for all new development.</p> <p>Agricultural land must be retained and improved to organic standards to ensure we grow more of our own food for the good health of the population and the planet especially local rivers. Public transport improvements, especially bus services are essential to reduce car traffic, and electric charging hubs/other future transport innovations could be designed with other community facilities/coffee shops.</p> <p>For Tonbridge I consider that housing developments must not spoil the Country Town character of the town, both visually and spatially. Landscape character should be preserved and enhanced especially around new developments with a lot more Landscape buffer zones than has been the case lately, eg the new Light industrial units at We should be encouraging smart use of brown site areas and aiming to deliver more housing stock that caters for first time buyers / affordable high spec housing /</p> <p>smarter use of apartment 2/3 story development on brown sites wd be good.</p>	<p>Comments identifying that meeting housing needs should be highest on the agenda noted. Comments relating to infrastructure and agricultural land protection also noted.</p>
42821633	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>more facilities eg doctors / schools would need to be provisioned For the reasons set out above the majority of the elements in the following questions are major negatives to the quality of the environment.</p>	<p>Comments supporting the role of brownfield land noted.</p>
42824065	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>1. Housing needs should not be met and affordability should not be improved because this will only facilitate further population growth 2. We should be encouraging people to seek employment elsewhere</p>	<p>Comments stating housing needs should not be met and encouraging uptake of active travel in specific locations noted .</p>
42771681	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>It should continue to have a majority of land dedicated to farming and rural activity with well designed new housing around existing more major areas and new improved infrastructure to serve this. Development should not be allowed in areas where roads are i would like the borough / region to stay exactly the same as it is perfect balance between countryside and small / towns and villages. i have no desire for it to become busier and more crowded.</p>	<p>Comments stating that land should be dedicated to rural activity alongside development of the larger settlements noted. Infrastructure provision comments also noted.</p>
42834049	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>You need to strike a balance between providing housing and retaining areas of countryside. It is vital that green spaces are kept close to</p>	<p>Support for the protection of the separation of settlements noted.</p>
42834401	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>built-up areas, so that people can walk to them from their</p>	<p>Comments relating to the importance of green spaces noted.</p>

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(6) A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed.

(7) A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking.

1.2.2 By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.

1.2.3 As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of 839 homes each year. This target is not an arbitrary Government top down target, and instead is based on the Government's

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

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1.2.1 The consultation document asks respondents to comment on the extent to which the following objectives should form part of the strategic vision for the plan:

(1) A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved.

(2) A place where there are plentiful jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the needs of local communities.

(3) A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character.

(4) A place where people and communities are connected digitally in an effective and reliable way.

(5) A place where biodiversity thrives alongside communities.

(6) A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed.

(7) A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking.

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Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

43514945	25240577 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs. 1.2.3 As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of 839 homes each year. This target is not an arbitrary Government top down target, and instead is based on the Government's standard methodology and directly corresponds to the borough's established population, affordability and future needs. Accordingly, creating a place where the range of housing needs are being met in full, and improved should, be clearly explained to be a mandatory requirement – it is the manner in which it is achieved that should be subject to more open questions to the public. 1.2.4 In respect of the wider objectives, these are appropriate but highly generic. We consider they should be more explicit and linked to the objectives of a development plan and so should be amended as follows (1) A place where there are a wide range of jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the current and future needs of local communities;</p> <p>(2) A place with well-designed, accessible homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and responsive to the local character.</p> <p>(3) A place where people and communities are connected digitally [Providing detail to the 'all are equally important response in the questionnaire]</p>	<p>Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.</p>
43544961	25377633 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>(Subject to Draft Local Plan Para. 4.2.4 acknowledgment that this Q.1. Which elements should feature in the vision for the borough in 2040?</p> <p>Whilst all of the elements are important, we consider that the first and third elements are the most important, namely:</p> <p>“A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved” is the key element that should underpin the vision for the borough.”</p> <p>“A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character.”</p>	<p>Comments relating to the role of brownfield land noted.</p>
43548193	38432225 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>“A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character.”</p>	<p>Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.</p>

2040?

1.2.1 The consultation document asks respondents to comment on the extent to which the following objectives should form part of the strategic vision for the plan:

(1) A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved.

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(2) A place where there are plentiful jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the needs of local communities.

(3) A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character.

(4) A place where people and communities are connected digitally in an effective and reliable way.

(5) A place where biodiversity thrives alongside communities.

(6) A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed.

(7) A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking.

1.2.2 By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of economic needs (or housing needs).

1.2.3 In respect of the wider objectives, these are appropriate but highly generic. We consider they should be more explicit and linked to the objectives of a development plan and so should be amended

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

2040?

1.3.1 The consultation document asks respondents to comment on the extent to which the following objectives should form part of the strategic vision for the plan:

- 1) A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved.
- 2) A place where there are plentiful jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the needs of local communities.
- 3) A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character.
- 4) A place where people and communities are connected digitally in an effective and reliable way.
- 5) A place where biodiversity thrives alongside communities.
- 6) A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed.
- 7) A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking.

1.3.2 By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs. As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of 839 homes each year.

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Q1. Which elements should feature in the vision for the borough in 2040? Whilst we agree with the key elements, the issues are

* Q1 – we particularly support the following proposed elements of the Vision:

* A place where biodiversity thrives alongside communities

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

Comments acknowledging links between all the objectives noted.

Comments including support for biodiversity and landscape protection noted.

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Q.1. Which elements should feature in the vision for the borough in 2040?

The consultation document asks respondents to comment on the extent to which the following objectives should form part of the strategic vision for the plan:

- (1) A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved.
- (2) A place where there are plentiful jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the needs of local communities.
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- (6) A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed.
- (7) A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking.

By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.

As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of

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relevant to the Local Plan. However, it is clear that the key role of the Local Plan must be to allocate sufficient land to meet the critical need for housing during the plan period, given the current supply deficit and the acute and worsening affordability of housing within the Borough.

Chapter 4 : Spatial Distribution of Development 8. The draft Local Plan recognises the significant constraints to development within the Borough as a result of AONB and Green Belt designations, as well as other environmental constraints such as flood risk and areas of ecological value. 9. Delivering development in this constrained context within the Borough is nothing new. Indeed, the development within the Medway Valley has been supported in successive Local Plans precisely because it lies outside of these constraints. This historical context is important in considering the future spatial strategy and is outlined in brief as follows. 10. Since it acquired Blue Circle's land interests in the Medway Valley in 2001, Trenport has positively supported the Council's pro-active approach to properly planning the Borough. By that time, the 'Medway Valley Plan' had already gained currency as a strategy for addressing the industrial legacy in the Medway Valley in the north of the Borough, delivering new homes alongside countryside management and enhancement of the green capital of the area. As part of this strategy, Trenport has since brought forward strategic development at Holborough Valley (in collaboration with Berkeley Homes who eventually purchased that site once planning permission was achieved) and more recently Peters Village, where the construction of over 1000 homes is almost complete, following the provision by All seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.

1.2.3 As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of 839 homes per annum. This is not an arbitrary Government top down target but is based on the Government's standard methodology and directly corresponds to the borough's established population, affordability and future needs. Accordingly, creating a place where the range of housing needs are being met in full should be clearly explained to be a mandatory requirement – it is the manner in which it is achieved that must be subject to more open questions.

1.2.4 In respect of the wider objectives, these are appropriate but highly generic. We consider that they should be more explicit and linked to the objectives of a Development Plan and so should be amended as follows

(1) A place where there are a wide range of jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the current and

Comments supporting the inclusion of vision elements noted, as well as comments acknowledging importance of meeting housing need. Comments highlighting the constrained nature of the borough and historical development patterns also noted.

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

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- (3) A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character.
- (4) A place where people and communities are connected digitally in an effective and reliable way.
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- (6) A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed.
- (7) A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking.

1.2.2 By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.

1.2.3 As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of 839 homes each year. This target isn't an arbitrary Government

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

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1.2.2 By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.

1.2.3 As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of 839 homes each year. This target is not an arbitrary Government top-down target, and instead is based on the Government's Which elements should feature in the vision for the Borough in 2040?

1.1 Given the housing needs of the Borough it's important that the Vision for the Borough seeks to address this need and recognise the importance housing has on the social, economic, and environmental future of the Borough. The local housing needs requirement should, as set out below, be treated as a minimum and provision made to exceed this minimum by at least 20% so as to address the acute

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

Comments stating that the vision needs to acknowledge need to address housing needs noted.

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should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.

As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of 839 homes each year. This target is not an arbitrary Government top-down target, and instead is based on the Government's standard methodology and directly corresponds to the borough's established population, affordability, and future needs. Accordingly, creating a place where the range of housing needs are being met in full, and improved should, be clearly explained to be a mandatory requirement – it is the way it is achieved that should be subject to more open questions to the public.

In respect of the wider objectives, these are appropriate but highly generic. We consider they should be more explicit and linked to the objectives of a development plan and so should be amended as follows :

- 1) A place where there are a wide range of jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the current and future needs of local communities.
- 2) A place with well-designed, accessible homes and
 - A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved.
 - A place where there are plentiful jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the needs of local communities.
 - A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character.
 - A place where people and communities are connected digitally in an effective and reliable way.
 - A place where biodiversity thrives alongside communities.
 - A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed.
 - A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking.
 - All are equally important

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

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Comments noted.

44417409	25392865 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>Given the housing needs of the Borough it's important that the Vision for the Borough seeks to address this need and recognise the importance housing has on the social, economic, and environmental future of the Borough. The local housing needs requirement should, as set out below, be treated as a minimum and provision made to exceed this minimum by at least 20% so as to address the acute housing needs of the Borough. In addition housing delivery, and 2.1 Berkeley considers that all of the listed elements should be part of the vision for the Local Plan 2040. The key will be for the Council to find a balance amongst those elements. 2.2 The Local Plan 2040 will require a clear vision and set of objectives. These should be ambitious, aspirational, and consistent with the social, economic and environmental objectives of sustainable development set out in the National Planning Policy Framework ('the Framework') (July 2021). 2.3 Paragraph 8 in the Framework states that these objectives are interdependent and need to be pursued in mutually supportive ways so that opportunities can be taken to secure net</p>	<p>Comments in relation to housing delivery noted. This matter will be considered and reflected within the new housing target evidence being prepared to support plan preparation.</p>
25366913	25366913 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>feature in the vision for borough: through a positively prepared plan there is no reason why one element cannot be achieved through delivery of another.</p> <p>However, of the different elements it is considered that "a place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved" is the objective of most importance. The reasoning for this is set out below:</p> <p>a) Worsening affordability. There has been a significant worsening in the affordability ratio between house prices: household earnings. This is demonstrated in Figure 8 of the Reg 18 LP and paragraphs 5.3.15 and 5.3.16. To exemplify these figures: since 2012 (i.e. the introduction of the NPPF): it has risen from 8.21 to 13.39 in 2021, an increase of 63%. This is the fourth greatest increase in Kent, and is substantially more than the average increase across the Kent authorities (52%). It represents the third worst affordability ratio in the county;</p> <p>b) Existence of two Housing Market Areas within the borough There are two HMA in Tonbridge and Malling Borough: the West Kent HMA and the Maidstone HMA. There is a significant amount of self-containment in terms of the movement of people and activity on a regular basis within each HMA. There has been a chronic under-delivery of housing in the West Kent HMA through allocations in the TMBC Core Strategy (2007) and Development Land Allocations (DLA) DPD 2010 and development allowed by appeal etc, the majority of growth in recent years has been in the north eastern – i.e. less constrained – part of the borough, which lies within the Maidstone HMA. Please see Table 1.1 of the Housing Market</p>	<p>Support for listed elements to be part of the vision noted, in particular comments relating to being aspirational.</p>
44459553	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		<p>Support for the role of meeting housing need and the reasoning noted.</p>

The Consultation Document sets out a number of elements which could be included within the vision for the Borough in 2040. All of the elements identified at consultation question 1 merit inclusion within the Local Plan's vision.

However, in view of the failure of the previously submitted Local Plan at Examination, Vistry would reiterate the fundamental importance of meeting housing needs in full, with this being a key component of sustainable development as defined at NPPF paragraph 11.

It is also vital that the vision recognises (in conjunction with any supporting objectives that may be developed) that the Tonbridge and Malling Borough does not exist within a vacuum. Two distinct Housing Market Areas (HMAs) are identified within the evidence base and these have strong and well-understood cross-boundary functions, as people travel to access services and to work, without regard to Local Authority boundaries.

Such dynamics must ultimately be reflected in the Plan's spatial strategy including through the apportionment of future housing growth to the Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells HMA, which will require the release of Green Belt land within the south of the Borough.

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Comment noted.

The Reg 18 LP identifies a Plan period extending to 2040, reflecting the need for strategic policies to look ahead over a minimum 15-year period from adoption (NPPF paragraph 22).

The adopted Local Development Scheme (March 2022) identifies adoption of the Plan in July 2024, following a Regulation 19 consultation in Autumn 2023 and submission to the Secretary of State in January 2024.

This is an ambitious timetable, and whilst we support this, progress should be monitored. It may be necessary to extend the Plan period further to ensure 15 full years remain within the period post adoption.

In addition, the NPPF states that where larger scale developments are proposed (e.g. new settlements or significant extensions) policies should be set within a 'vision' that looks at least 30 years ahead. This is likely to be the case for the Local Plan, considering the identified growth needs and the necessary release of Green Belt land adjoining sustainable settlements.

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- "A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed" BY ALL including equestrians.

- "A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the Question 1: Which elements should feature in the vision for the borough in 2040?"

- A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved.

- A place where there are plentiful jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the needs of local communities.

- A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character.

- A place where people and communities are connected digitally in an effective and reliable way.

- A place where biodiversity thrives alongside communities.

- A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed.

Comment noted.

Comments noted.

38523009 0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3

Comment supporting protection of landscapes and opportunities for cycling and walking noted, including for equestrians.

45325537 0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3

Comments stating the vision should be aspirational noted.

43485921	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>Elements [Q1] - All suggested points are equally important but BAG is focused on preserving a place where biodiversity thrives alongside communities, existing landscapes and open countryside are respected</p> <p>The Draft Local Plan consultation document sets out a number of elements which could be included within The Vision for the Borough in 2040. In our opinion, all the elements identified at consultation question 1 merit inclusion within the Local Plan's vision. However, in view of the failure of the previously submitted Local Plan at Examination, BDW would reiterate the fundamental importance of meeting housing needs in full, with this being a key component of sustainable development as defined at NPPF paragraph 11.</p>	Comments supporting elements of the vision and support for character and biodiversity character noted.
45742881	0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3	<p>It is also vital the vision recognises (in conjunction with any supporting objectives that may be developed) that the Borough does not exist within a vacuum. Local housing markets have strong and well-evidenced cross-boundary functions, as people travel to access services and to work, without regard to Local Authority boundaries.</p> <p>Such cross-boundary dynamics must ultimately be reflected in the Plan's spatial strategy, again noting that the lack of conformity with the <u>Duty-to-Cooperate</u> and other legal requirements, resulted in the extent to which the following objectives should form part of the strategic vision for the plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved. (2) A place where there are plentiful jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the needs of local communities. (3) A place with well-designed, accessible, homes and neighbourhoods that are safe, legible, energy efficient and respect the local character. (4) A place where people and communities are connected digitally in an effective and reliable way. (5) A place where biodiversity thrives alongside communities. (6) A place where landscapes and open countryside are respected and can be easily accessed and enjoyed. (7) A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking. <p>1.2.2 By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.</p> <p>1.2.3 As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average of 839 homes each year. This target is not an arbitrary Government top down target, and instead is based on the Government's standard methodology and directly corresponds to the borough's established population, affordability and future needs. Directly</p>	Comments supporting the inclusion of vision elements noted, as well as comments acknowledging importance of meeting housing need.
25240641	25240577 3.1.1 - 3.1.3		Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

2040?

4.1.1 The consultation document asks respondents to comment on the extent to which the following objectives should form part of the strategic vision for the plan:

- (1) A place where the range of housing needs are being met in full and affordability is much improved.
- (2) A place where there are plentiful jobs opportunities, both within the rural and urban economies, to meet the needs of local communities.
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- (7) A place where there are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the borough safely and healthily by cycling and walking.

By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

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4.1.2 As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need PLUTO has not been mentioned and as far as I know it crosses land on Grange Farm and nothing can be built that covers the pipe.

Comments relating to the location of the PLUTO pipeline noted.

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Comments relating to the location of the PLUTO pipeline noted.

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2040?

1.2.1 The consultation document asks respondents to comment on the extent to which the following objectives should form part of the strategic vision for the plan:

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1.2.2 By way of a response, all seven objectives are of importance and should be reflected within the vision. Nevertheless, we question the validity of inferring that there is a matter of choice about the delivery of housing and economic needs.

1.2.3 As outlined within the consultation document, there is a need to identify enough sites to deliver 15,941 new homes at an average Q1. Which elements should feature in the vision of the borough for 2040?

With reference to site #59740 & #59777 I wish for this area to be one in which the biodiversity, historic views and open countryside are respected alongside new communities. I wish for the said countryside to be accessible to all. I am very wary of the synthetic

Comments relating to the objectives for the strategic vision noted. The council acknowledges comments stating that there should be no inference of prioritisation between economic and housing needs. The need for housing delivery to meet needs is highlighted as a priority to be taken forward also acknowledged.

Comments and site specific matters noted.

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45925409 0 3.1.1 - 3.1.3