

Kings Hill Parish

Regulation 18 Local Plan - Site allocations summary of consultation responses

Respondents

Out of 28 responses 9 responses were from statutory consultees and other organisations. Full responses for each draft site allocation can be seen in the comments record.

Where site promoter submissions have been made in relation to allocations, these will be considered as part of the next stage of plan making and have not been summarised below.

Local Plan consultation question - How do you feel about the site?

Site / Settlement	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree	Not stated	Total responses
KH3	2	1	0	1	0	3	7
KH4	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
KH5	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
KH6	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
KH7	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
Kings Hill General	1	4	1	0	0	4	9
Kings Hill settlement total	7	5	1	6	0	9	28

Summary of key themes for proposed site allocations in Kings Hill Parish

The following table sets out a summary of key themes from the consultation responses received. All comments made are available to view, alongside any additional information that consultees submitted alongside their consultation responses. Comments and information received will be considered further as we progress the Local Plan.

Site or settlement	Key themes
KH3 - Existing premises at 1 Tower View, Kings Hill, West Malling (60 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support and opposition expressed. A good use of a previously developed site vs loss of opportunity for local employment.• Look and feel of the existing site should be retained.• Better bus services and more capacity of rail services.• Primary care capacity required to support housing growth.
KH4 - Existing premises at 50 Kings Hill Avenue,	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support for residential redevelopment.• The look and feel of the site should be retained.

Kings Hill (55 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redevelopment reduces the opportunity for local employment and will erode live-work concept of Kings Hill.
KH5 - Existing premises at 11 Tower View, Kings Hill, West Malling (70 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for residential redevelopment. • The look and feel of the site should be retained. • Redevelopment reduces the opportunity for local employment and will erode live-work concept of Kings Hill.
KH6 - Existing premises at 32 Tower View, Kings Hill, West Malling (60 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for residential redevelopment. • The look and feel of the site should be retained. • Redevelopment reduces the opportunity for local employment and will erode live-work concept of Kings Hill.
KH7 - Existing premises at 34 Tower View, Kings Hill, West Malling (45 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for residential redevelopment. • The look and feel of the site should be retained. • Redevelopment reduces the opportunity for local employment and will erode live-work concept of Kings Hill.
Kings Hill general comments (i.e. not associated with a particular site)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some support for the residential allocations KH3-KH7. The site promoter considers that the sites are viable and could be delivered during the first 5 years of the plan period. • Other respondents are opposed to the allocations and raise the following concerns. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ KH3, KH4 and KH5 could be used for a new secondary school or sixth form centre. ○ Loss of employment for local people. ○ Lack of parking at West Malling station and connecting bus service. ○ Better cycle path provision. ○ A228 requires further improvements. ○ Primary care and school capacity required. ○ Utilities including water supply, drainage, broadband and mobile network.

Responses from statutory consultees and other key organisations

The following statutory consultees / organisations provided a response to draft allocations in Kings Hill Parish. These will be considered in further work to progress the Local Plan.

Site or settlement	Consultee	Key matters raised
KH3 - Existing premises at 1 Tower View, Kings Hill, West Malling (60 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural England • Kings Hill Parish Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of this site should take account of any impact upon nearby ancient woodland and priority habitat. • Risk of light pollution and disturbance upon adjacent priority

		habitat, no assessment of ecology impacts.
KH4 - Existing premises at 50 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill (55 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kings Hill Parish Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loss of employment land is contrary to the Economy Strategy, reducing job opportunities and increasing out-commuting. • No traffic assessment undertaken. • Allocation of the site undermines the economic resilience of Kings Hill.
KH5 - Existing premises at 11 Tower View, Kings Hill, West Malling (70 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kings Hill Parish Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Similar concerns to KH4 as the site also contributes towards loss of local employment. More dwellings will increase pressure upon healthcare and utilities.
KH6 - Existing premises at 32 Tower View, Kings Hill, West Malling (60 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kings Hill Parish Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site will add pressure to already strained utilities, broadband, mobile network and sewage.
KH7 - Existing premises at 34 Tower View, Kings Hill, West Malling (45 units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kings Hill Parish Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loss of landscaped amenity and green infrastructure, Kings Hill is already deficient in accessible natural greenspace. Contrary to NPPF para 174.
Kings Hill general comments (i.e. not associated with a particular site)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None