

Boughton and Dunkirk Neighbourhood Plan

Background document BD17 – Consultation Statement

A draft Neighbourhood Plan was finalised in March 2021.

An introductory letter with a link to the Plan was circulated by email to the following Statutory Consultees, from a list recommended by Swale Borough Council:

- AMEC (for National Grid)
- Blean Parish Council
- Boughton Parochial Church Council
- Canterbury City Council
- Challock Parish Council
- Chartham Parish Council
- Chilham Parish Council
- Defence Infrastructure Organisation
- Environment Agency
- Faversham Town Council
- Graveney with Goodnestone Parish Council
- Harbledown Parish Council
- Hernhill Parish Council
- Highways Agency
- Highways England
- Historic England
- Homes England
- KCC (Land Interests & Service Provision)
- Kent County Council-Planning
- Kent County Council-Highways
- Kent County Council - Regeneration
- Kent Wildlife Trust
- National Grid
- Natural England
- Network Rail
- Npower
- RSPB South East Regional Office
- Selling Parish Council
- Sheldwich Parish Council
- South East Water plc
- Southern Gas Networks
- Southern Water

- Swale Clinical Commissioning Group
- Three
- Vodafone
- Woodland Trust (Blean Woods)

These organisations were asked to provide feedback on the key policies shown in the draft Plan: Housing, Transport and Environment (including Design) as well as other policies and general comments. A deadline for responses was set at 14th May 2021, which provided an 8-week consultation period.

We also publicised the new draft Plan within the local community. We produced a colourful 4-page information leaflet which summarised the purpose of the Plan, and the Vision for Boughton and Dunkirk in 2038. It directed interested readers to view the full Plan on the Neighbourhood Plan and both Parish Councils' websites with further Background Documents available on the Neighbourhood Plan website only. Readers were invited to complete an online response form or by email:

www.boughtonanddunkirkneighbourhoodplan.org.uk

secretary@boughtonanddunkirkneighbourhoodplan.org.uk.

The leaflet also provided a telephone number for any queries.

As the consultation took place during the coronavirus lockdown, we were not able to hold any public meetings, but we distributed this printed leaflet to each household and business in the two parishes. We also published articles in the Community Magazine and posted the leaflet on the Parish Council noticeboards.

The final phase of the consultation was to submit the published draft Plan to Swale Borough Council for their final comments (their Planning Officer had already reviewed earlier draft sections).

The results of these various consultations will be written up in this Background Document once the consultation period finishes after 14th May, and the draft Plan may be amended as necessary.

BD17 Additional Evidence: Information Leaflet
Response Form