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Sent:	27 June 2018 13:32
То:	smith, catherine; futuremedway
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Subject:	RE: Medway Development Strategy consultation - Natural England response
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Dear Catherine

I noticed there were a couple of formatting errors when converting the consultation response I sent on Friday to a pdf. I've resolved these and a pdf version is attached for your records.

Kind regards,

Patrick

Patrick McKernan

Manager Sussex and Kent team Natural England Mbl:

From: Sent: 22 June 2018 18:54

Subject: Medway Development Strategy consultation - Natural England response **Importance:** High

<< File: Medway Development Strategy consultation- NE response 22 June 18.docx >> Dear Catherine

Please find attached Natural England's comments in relation to the Development Strategy consultation and associated Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment.

Natural England welcomes the environmental commitments in the vision and strategic objectives of the Development Strategy, and we will continue to support the Council as it develops these principles in shaping its Local Plan.

Much of our advice, understandably, focusses on the potential allocations and impacts within and adjacent to the Chattenden Woods and Lodge Hill SSSI and we welcome the consultation including three alternative development scenarios which avoid direct impacts to the designated site.

As we discussed on Wednesday, Natural England remains committed to our joint vision of securing a sound local plan which facilitates growth whilst conserving and enhancing Medway's rich wildlife and landscape assets. We will of course be pleased to work with you over the coming months to help ensure we realise this joint vision.

We mentioned the possibility of pencilling in a date to continue our ongoing discussions on the Local Plan and mid to late July appear to work for us if this period is good for you and your colleagues.

Kind regards,

Patrick

Patrick McKernan Manager Sussex and Kent team Natural England Mbl:

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