

**Call for Sites - 15th and 16th November 2019**  
**Feedback - Sites most suitable for development**

COMMENTS	No. of responses
None - Marden is at Capacity	23
There is no option to express my opinion, I do not believe there is a suitable site for more building in Marden. Marden has reached capacity. We do not want our countryside destroyed	1
None - we've done our bit and infrastructure can't cope	1
None - we are overhoused	1
None	16
All sites - None should be suitable for development - Marden has had its share of housing now and needs time (years) to assimilate these houses.	1
These are in no particular order as it is impossible to rank: 281 - links to existing employment and industrial / 295 - links to existing residential / 226 - on main road / 31 - links to existing - small / 194 - employment - add to existing	1
Too many houses in Marden and roads are congested	2
74, 31 & 304 - sensible size and infill	1
Left blank	4
None of them! - Marden has had over 600 new houses in recent years - The roads, infrastructure and residents can't take any more. These are myriad reasons why we say no more!	1
None - at max capacity with new homes already	1
None - Marden has enough development	3
I do not consider any sites are suitable for development in light of the development that has taken place over recent years. The "village needs to stay a village"	1
Depends on overall response. Any large >500 house development needs new infrastructure. Bolt on massive developments overwhelm existing housing.	1
309 - Because it will serve them right	1
No more houses	1
I support no further development at all in or around Marden. I believe this feedback regarding sites to be totally inappropriate	1
No more development in Marden	1
None - the South East is already TOO crowded	1
None - no new developments in Marden please	1
Marden is at full capacity - No more building in a rural village	1
None - we have enough housing already	1
No sites at all	1
None - Marden is already full!	3
Only plots within the village boundary for less than 4 dwellings	1
I believe Marden has had its fair share of new housing over the last few years. More outlying housing will bring more cars into the village as people will not walk the distances to the shops or school, doctors or station. There is no more capacity on the trains to run more services and coach 12 doesn't fit into Charing Cross as it is.	1

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8 - single dwelling developments in appropriate locations are fine	1
small single figure developments within the village boundary	1
None - infrastructure cannot cope and is outside builders control. Council will not deliver due to lack of funds	1
Please, please no more development. The village is already too busy and we've had enough building	1
None - Marden is full to capacity - please no more development	1
None - full up - no more capacity	1
I do not believe that there should be any more major development in Marden. The village cannot support the additional housing proposed	1
None - we are full	1
281 - already part industrial - no others	1
Understand smaller organic evolution of the village is likely. After sustained building 2015 onwards, however I feel we need a long period of community consolidation and any site greater than 10 should not be considered	1
I do not consider any sites should be developed in Marden - 600 houses are enough. The village cannot cope with more houses.	1
None - we are full to capacity	1
Marden is full - none of these thanks	1
None really! 281 - NOT for residential but to expand Pattenden Lane warehouse / 74, 54 & 123 - small incremental build on hamlet type area / 295 & 269 - closer to village amenities than other suggestions	1
None - poor infrastructure, no roads, medical services, lack of water pressure, poor sewage system	1
None are suitable - impact on environment, wildlife forced out of natural habitat; several plots are on flood plains, householders will not be able to get insurance ; increase in traffic - lorries etc; no parking available, station car park already overflowing; infrastructure can't cope at the moment - what will happen in future?	1
None - I realise housing targets have to be met but construction that are already being built at present are causing problems with parking facilities, traffic, pollution. Wildlife is being disturbed. Doctors already difficult to get appointments	1

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I truly believe none of these proposals are suitable. I understand that the Council has housing targets to meet, however, all of these proposals are in inappropriate locations. The majority of these proposals are in areas that flood often with lots of wildlife surrounding proposals near an industrial estate (Pattenden Lane) that already have horrendous traffic and a ruined landscape shows a sheer lack of consideration for residents, business and employees. The proposals near the top of the village, near the petrol station, have already seen houses erected here that have ruined road surfaces, affected wildlife, eg relocation of great crested newts. If you plan on doubling the potential population - plan on doubling the infrastructure	1
None of them - all will have an impact on the environment, we have recently seen the devastating effect on lives caused by flooding in the north. All land that currently takes in water on the proposals will cause issues for flooding. Increase in traffic will be an issue on roads that already cannot cope with the flow, parking is already a nightmare, increase in pollution will effect the wildlife. We are already seeing an issue with foxes encroaching on residential properties as they are forced out of habitat with current building impacting on their natural environment	1
226 - Because it is on the A229 and is out of Marden / No other sites suitable	1
There is no way a garden village would work in Marden. I have never met any current resident who thinks it would be any benefit at all. However, starter homes are something that doesn't exist. Why not allow farms to build a few "cottages" that would help reinvigorate small struggling farmers - they would be popular to live in - everyone has a car and shops on the internet so they don't need to be in central Marden. A row of small cottages built in a traditional farm cottage style - just a few (up to 12) with rainwater harvesting and other eco features making them sustainable.	1
I don't consider ANY of the sites suitable as the 37% we've already had is not fully sold. The infrastructure is yet to catch up. It shouldn't always be left till last.	2
74 - Just an extension of what is already there / 309 - advantage to the village	1
309 - Marden is now too big to be small and too small to be big - it would make Marden a better thriving community and improve public and private facilities / 74, 111, 155 and 314 - sensible infill bearing in mind 309	1
No further sites in Marden - Marden is full	1
194 - Close to village, appropriate size / 31, 314, 90, 155	1
I don't like this exercise - I feel people will simply prefer sites at the opposite end of the village from where they live	1

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I don't consider any of the sites suitable due to the fact that there is absolutely not the necessary infrastructure/transport that would be required for this amount of development	1
281 - industrial area	1
None of the sites are suitable. The roads and infrastructure are not suitable for more houses. Marden is a village and should remain a village	1
281 - with the money Ballards would make they could make improvements to the butchers	1
Enough already - trains are full: roads are full: parking spaces for commuters are full	1
None - too much building already spoiling a beautiful village. Cannot cope with any more people or traffic	1
None - too much building and insufficient infrastructure already	1
309 - close to village and railway station	1
No further development. I live on a narrow section of Howland Road. Any more development at this end of the village would make the pathways more unsafe than they already are. I have a 1 and 4 year old - it is a dangerous environment for them and I fear it will get worse with future development	1
309 - It has good access to railway and providing the developer sticks with the principles of a garden village I am happy with it	1
None - Marden is already at full capacity - infrastructure and wildlife and greenspace loss is a real worry	1
I prefer no more development in Marden	1
None of them! - Especially any large scale development. Marden is at breaking point and cannot cope with the existing development, let alone any more. Please oppose any more!	1
None - Marden is already at capacity - traffic congestion, parking, crowded trains, existing new homes slow to sell or not selling at all - where is the demand?	1
None - Marden has had more than enough development in recent years. It is full! The infrastructure cannot cope and promises are not fulfilled	1
None - Marden is full to capacity and cannot cope with extra traffic etc	1
None - Marden and surrounding villages cannot cope with any more additional traffic or strain on existing services	1
None - Marden should not have more large scale development. It is already at capacity. Why build more houses when many existing ones are unsold or unoccupied? Maidstone, or is outskirts, is the best place for further building. Marden lacks the roads, public transport and other infrastructure for more development. The village has already had 6 new developments in 6 years.	1
None - sewage etc cannot cope, infrastructure improvements cannot be guaranteed. Already at maximum capacity	1
96, 97, 54, 304, 74 - small and in keeping with surrounding area	1

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None - any further development is too much given that we haven't yet felt the full effect of the current developments	1
I am not happy with the prospect of lots more houses in Marden but support the Parish Council plan until 2031	1
Marden has had enough - please leave it alone now	1
None - the village cannot take any more development. It's currently not coping with recent additions	1
97 - conversion of buildings / 74 - small units / 8 - small units	1
No primary farmland should be built on	1