



NEWS RELEASE

Thanet District Council has published its new [Local Plan Timetable](#) following approval at Cabinet on Tuesday 2 June 2026. The decision marks the first steps in preparing a Local Plan under the newly introduced national plan-making system.

The Local Plan is a vital document that details how an area will grow over the long term and crucially how development will be managed to best protect the district.

Guidance from the government outlines a range of matters the plan must address. These include achieving sustainable development (making sure that development balances social, economic and environmental priorities), meeting housing and employment needs and ensuring the vitality of town centres. It also includes ensuring that the supporting infrastructure can be provided, including health, education, transport and utilities. Promoting sustainable transport as well as meeting the challenge of climate change and conserving and enhancing the natural environment also feature. The plan also importantly identifies areas of the district that need to be protected.

As well as the Local Plan Timetable, the council has also published a [formal notice of intention](#) to start preparation.

A public scoping consultation for the draft Local Plan will launch later in the summer, running from late August until early October 2026. During the consultation period, people will be invited to share their views on what the plan should contain and how future public engagement should be carried out.

In addition, the council will run a further 'call for sites' for potential development.

As part of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) rules, the council must also create a list of important local heritage sites. Residents will be invited to take part in this process by suggesting historical or culturally significant landmarks that deserve special protection.

Cllr Rick Everitt, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy, Planning and Climate Change said: "Starting this new Local Plan is an important milestone for our district. This process allows us to address vital issues like delivering the housing we need, protecting our natural environment, and creating a truly thriving place, in line with our corporate priorities.

"We are keen to firmly establish long-term vision, aims, and objectives for Thanet. Doing this exercise now, ahead of Local Government Reorganisation, gives us the opportunity to

clearly reflect the specific needs of Thanet within the plan. An up to date plan allows us to better protect the areas that we do not want to see developed. Our geography, demographic profile and economic status have a bearing on proposals for growth and development in the area.

“Public involvement is a key part of this, and we look forward to hearing from our residents and businesses to ensure the new plan reflects Thanet’s needs.”

The council aims to submit the final Local Plan to the government for examination by March 2028, with final adoption targeted for February 2029.

Thanet is among the first councils in Kent to prepare a plan under this new system. To support this early progress, the council has been awarded a £108,000 grant from the government's Local Plan Implementation Fund. This will support the development of the evidence base for the Plan.

The existing Local Plan, supporting documents and updates are available on the [website](#).

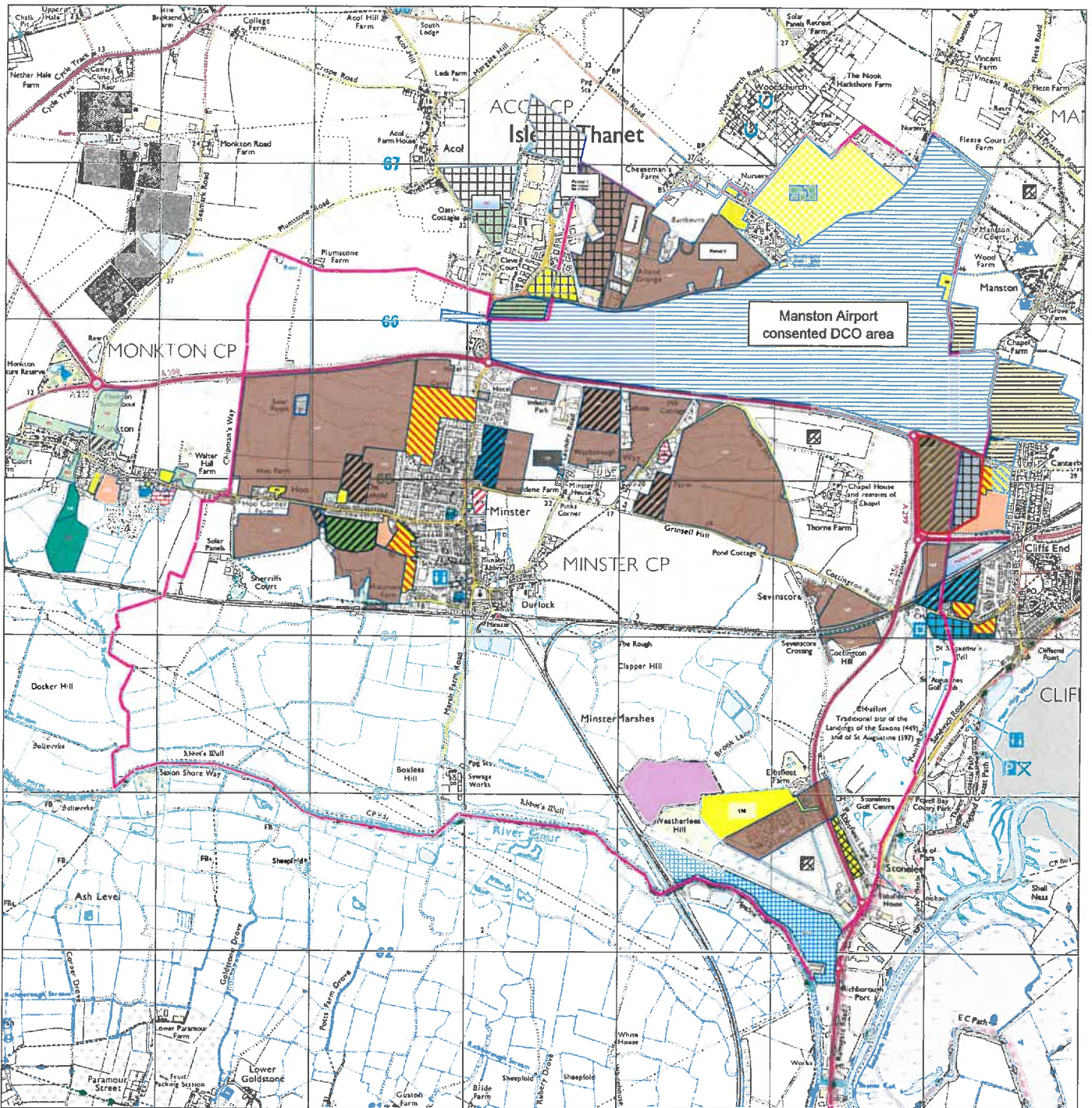
Notes to editors

1. The decisions were approved by the Thanet District Council Cabinet on Tuesday 2 June 2026 under Regulations 8, 19, and 20 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2026.
2. Thanet is leading the way in Kent under the new system alongside Tunbridge Wells Borough Council and Folkestone & Hythe District Council.
3. Local government reorganisation in Kent has a proposed vesting date of 1 April 2028. Government guidance dictates that local plan preparation should continue moving forward through this transitional period.

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Last TDC call for sites – frozen in Dec 2022 – Minster & Monkton submitted sites



(Each square approx. 1km x 1km)

























- Numbers for each site are those allocated in the "Thanet Local Plan Review - Call for sites 2021" - **zoom in to see the numbers better**
- Documents for each of the sites that were submitted back then and frozen in Dec 2022 are available via <https://thanetcouncilplan.inconsult.uk/gf2.ti/-/1244034/153008389.1/PDF/-/Report%2001%20Dec%202022%20%5F2%5F%2Epdf> - those either within the Parish of Minster or overlapping with other Parishes are listed below.

(If the link or any of the links for the specific documents below stop working, the documents and their specific appended documents have been saved separately).

- Sites within Monkton and Acol are for information to provide a better picture of potential loss of agricultural land
- Each entry may have other documents associated with it and these will be listed at the end of each of each submitted form in Section 13 – do take a look at these as well as some include some nice glossy brochures, etc
- The two separate documents with the same reference, [SHLAA087](#) and [SHLAA087](#) both mention land adjacent to Spitfire Way, Alland Grange Lane and the Manston Business Park as Parcels 1, 2 and 3:
 - Parcel 1 is included in the existing Thanet Local Plan Policy SP06 and not included within this last Call for Sites.
 - Parcels 2 and 3 are additionally mentioned within both of these submissions for potential development.
- Some of the sites may have been developed since 2021, may have new owners and/or land agents. The DCO for Manston Airport was finally decided in Sept 2023.
- Some of the sites in Minster have previously been promoted for Local Plans but not accepted by TDC and have failed on appeal – these are not identified *per se* on the map above (so as to lessen confusion)
- Any new Call for Sites *se* may include all or some of these previous sites and obviously there could be additional ones. Some from 2021 may not be offered in a further call for sites.

- There are some separate documents associated offline for land at net to Cliffsend and others for land in and around the Manston Business Park ([document 1](#) and document 2) – some of these are from about 8 or 9 years ago and may be outdated to a degree but help provide information from back then of the ideas of landowners and land promoters.

Legend

	Minster Parish Boundary	
	Land / field boundaries	
	Land within the Parish of Minster put forward by landowners/developers for consideration in the latest call for sites for the Thanet Local Plan (Dec 2022 list)	Minster
	Land within the Parish of Monkton put forward by landowners/developers for consideration in the latest call for sites for the Thanet Local Plan (Dec 2022 list) - part of Monkton is within the Manston Airport DCO boundary	Monkton
	Land within the Parish of Cliffsend put forward by landowners/developers for consideration in the latest call for sites for the Thanet Local Plan (Dec 2022 list) and not included elsewhere in applications	Cliffsend
	Land within the Parish of Acol either part of a site shared with Monkton or part of a previous site not included in the Dec 2022 list shared with Minster	Acol
	Land within the Parish of Manston within the Manston Airport DCO boundary	Manston
	Planning permission granted: building completed or underway	
	1x Planning Application refused but appeal upheld	Minster and Cliffsend / part Minster
	1x Planning Application refused and dismissed upon appeal (145 + 146 + 162)	Minster / Cliffsend
	2x Planning Applications refused and dismissed upon appeal (111)	Minster
	Land recently turned over for Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG)	Monkton
	Local Plan allocations – completed or underway	Minster and Cliffsend
	Land under public consultation (Dec 2025) but no planning application yet submitted (166 & 143)	Minster / Cliffsend
	Land for which live planning applications exist that await a decision	Minster & Monkton
	Planning Application refused	Minster
	Planning Application granted for additional BESS to go alongside existing solar farm	Minster
	Housing development land in Minster included in the Thanet Local Plan 2020 but not taken further	Minster
	Sites either duplicated submissions or appear in more than one submission	
	Sites shared between two parishes (other than Manston Airport consented DCO area)	
	Manston Airport consented DCO area within Minster (actual DCO is across three parishes)	
	Richborough Energy Park – via various planning applications etc, completed or near completed	Minster
	Proposed site of Sea Link electricity converter station (tbc via new DCO)	Minster
	Home Office Manston Migrant Processing Centre	Minster

Promoted Sites at Dec 2022 (some numbers are duplicated but submissions are different)

SHLAA058	Watchester Lane, Minster
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SHLAA062	Land Adjacent to Former Manston Airport, Manston Road, Ramsgate, CT12 5BQ (ex-Manston Ct Garage and World's Wonder)
SHLAA064	Land adjacent to Thanet Parkway, Richborough Way, Cliffsend, Ramsgate, CT12 5LJ
SHLAA073	Land at Hoo Farm, Monkton Road, Minster
SHLAA081	Land behind 59a High Street Minster
SHLAA082	Land between 118a and 120 Monkton Road Minster CT12 4EF
SHLAA086	Land east of Laundry Road and west of Wayborough Hill, Minster
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SHLAA087	Land East of Manston Business Park, north of Spitfire Way, Manston

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SHLAA090	Land east of Tohill Street and south of Premier Inn, Minster
SHLAA092	Land located (in Minster) between Sheriffs Court Lane and 16 Monkton Street
SHLAA100	Land north of Grinsell Hill, Minster
SHLAA102	Land north of Monkton Rd and west of Prospect Rd, Minster.
SHLAA103	Land North of Monkton Road, Minster,
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SHLAA111	Land off Foxborough Lane, Minster
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SHLAA116	Land on the west side of Ebbsfleet Lane, Minster, Ramsgate
SHLAA118	Land to the north of Weatherlees Hill AWTW, west of Jutes Lane, Ramsgate
SHLAA121	Land south of Laundry Road, Minster
SHLAA122	Land south of Monkton Rd, Minster
SHLAA123, SHLAA124, SHLAA125, SHLAA126	Land south of the A299 between Laundry Rd and Thorne Hill, and north of Grinsell Hill, Minster
SHLAA128	Land south of Way Hill, Minster
SHLAA131	Land to the east side of Ebbsfleet Lane, Sevenscore
SHLAA138	Land to the west of Laundry Road, Hazeldene Farm, Minster, CT12 4HJ
SHLAA140	Land to the west of Richborough Way and south of Cottington Road, Sevenscore, Ramsgate
SHLAA143, SHLAA144, SHLAA145, SHLAA146	Land west of Cliffsend, south of Canterbury Rd West, north of Cottington Rd and north and south of Hengist Way
SHLAA148	Land west of Minster Cemetery, Minster
SHLAA155	Manston Rd, Ramsgate
SHLAA162	North of Cottington Rd, Cliffsend. (north of current development by Orbit HA)
SHLAA166	Off Canterbury Rd West/ Corner of Cliffsend Roundabout
SHLAA169	Land at Minster
SHLAA174	RAF Manston - MT site, South of Spitfire Way, Ramsgate
SHLAA175	RAF Manston, Ramsgate
SHLAA182	Sevenscore Farm, Sevenscore, Minster, Ramsgate, Kent CT12 5DW
SHLAA201	Manston Airport
SHLAA202	Manston Airport