

## APPENDIX B – Representations on the Statement of Community Involvement

Consultee	Summary of representation	Response	Amendment?
Ann Palmer, resident	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Government policy, ministerial statements and best practice guidelines should be followed by SDC to ensure consistency of decisions.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agree with consultee, however this is standard practice and not a matter for the SCI.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None.</li> </ol>
Christine Lane, Edenbridge Town Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public consultations should include evening events.</li> <li>Town and Parish Councils should be permitted to comment further on planning applications if significant new information is presented during the consultation period.</li> <li>Town and Parish Councils should be permitted to comment on applications for works to protected trees.</li> <li>A wider remit for neighbour notifications is required.</li> <li>An aviation consultant should be listed as a consultation body, given the increased local interest in aviation matters.</li> <li>There should be consultation on agricultural development notifications.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agree with consultee. It is important for the Council to commit to evening consultation events in order to engage with those normally working during the day.</li> <li>Significant new information would normally lead to an amended application, at which point all consultees (including Town and Parish Councils) would be re-consulted.</li> <li>Tree applications are published on the weekly list, which is made available to Town and Parish Councils. Whilst not formally consulted (due to time constraints in determining the applications) Town and Parish Councils are encouraged to comment.</li> <li>The Council follows the standard procedure required for notifying neighbours about planning applications, depending on the size and nature of the proposal. See paragraph 6.37 of the SCI.</li> <li>The Civil Aviation Authority is a</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yes. The table at paragraph 4.2 of the SCI should be amended to state that public exhibitions for planning policy documents will be held in the day and evening.</li> <li>None.</li> <li>None.</li> <li>None.</li> <li>None.</li> <li>None.</li> </ol>

		<p>statutory consultee. See paragraph 11.1 of the SCI.</p> <p>6. Prior notifications are published on the weekly list, which is made available to Town and Parish Councils. Whilst not formally consulted (due to time constraints in determining the applications) Town and Parish Councils are encouraged to comment.</p>	
John Lister, Natural England	<p>1. Where plans and proposals are likely to have a significant effect on the natural environment, early informal consultation with Natural England may be effective.</p>	<p>1. Agree with consultee. Natural England is a statutory consultee, as set out in paragraph 11.1 of the SCI.</p>	<p>1. None.</p>
Sevenoaks Town Council	<p>1. 'Town Partnerships' should be added to the list of organisations under 'General Consultation Bodies'.</p> <p>2. Chapter 6 (Community Involvement in Development Management) should be amended to include detail on the methods by which members of the public can engage with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Town and Parish Councils;</li> <li>Their local District Councillors; and</li> <li>Planning Officers.</li> </ol>	<p>1. Agree with consultee. It is important that the Council consults the relevant local bodies. – add to list on page 22 under 'Local communities'.</p> <p>2. Agree with consultee. It is important for prospective applicants and local residents to talk to their local Town or Parish Council and District Councillor about planning applications. See paragraph 6.37 of the SCI.</p>	<p>1. Yes. The table at paragraph 12.2 of the SCI should be amended to include 'town partnerships'.</p> <p>2. Yes. Include an additional sentence at paragraph 6.25 of the SCI to state that 'In addition to pre-application advice, the Council encourages prospective applicants to discuss their proposals with the local Town or Parish Council and the local District Councillor in order to ascertain their views at an early stage'.</p>