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TERM/ABBREVIATION/ACRONYM	DESCRIPTION
A1	Retail uses (shops)
A3	Café and restaurant uses
A&E	Accident and Emergency
AADT	Annual Average Daily Traffic Flow
AAWT	Annual Average Weekday Traffic
ADBA	Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment
ADMP	Sevenoaks District Council Adopted Allocations and Development Management Plan
Air Quality Objective (AQO)	Policy target generally expressed as a maximum ambient concentration to be achieved, either without exception or with a permitted number of exceedances within a specific timescale (see also air quality standard).
Air Quality Standard	The concentrations of pollutants in the atmosphere which can broadly be taken to achieve a certain level of environmental quality. The standards are based on the assessment of the effects of each pollutant on human health including the effects on sensitive sub groups (see also air quality objective)
Ancient woodland	An area that has been wooded continuously since at least 1600 AD. It includes ancient semi-natural woodland and plantations on ancient woodland sites (PAWS).
Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT)	A daily total traffic flow (24 hours), expressed as a mean daily flow across all 365 days of the year.
Annual Mean	The average (mean) of the concentrations measured for each pollutant for one year. Usually this is for a calendar year, but some species are reported for the period April to March, known as a pollution year. This period avoids splitting winter season between 2 years, which is useful for pollutants that have higher concentrations during the winter months.
APS	Annual Population Survey
AQAL	Air Quality Assessment Level
AQMA	Air Quality Management Area. Designated under the Local Air Quality Management regime for areas currently, or forecast, to exceed National Air Quality Strategy objectives.
Aquiclude	A geological formation that absorbs and holds water but does not transmit it at a sufficient rate to supply springs and wells etc.
AQO	Air Quality Objectives

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Archaeological interest	There will be archaeological interest in a heritage asset if it holds, or potentially holds, evidence of past human activity worthy of expert investigation at some point.
ARD	All Round Defence
AOD	Above Ordnance Datum
AONB	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
ATC	Automatic Traffic Counter
Attenuation ponds	Surface storage basins that provide flow control through storage of surface water run-off. They also facilitate some settling of particulate pollutants.
AVR	Accurate Visual Representation
B1a	Office employment uses
B1b	Research and Development uses
B1c	Light Industrial employment uses
B2	Manufacturing employment uses
B8	Warehousing employment uses
Baseline	Existing environmental conditions present on, or near a site, against which future changes may be measured or predicted.
bgl	Below ground level
BH	Borehole
BRES	Business Register and Employment Survey
Catchment	The entire geographical area drained by a watercourse, i.e. an area within which all rainfall is conveyed to a single outlet.
CCG	Clinical Commissioning Group
CEcMP	Construction Ecological Management Plan
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
CIEEM	Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management
CLEUD	Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use or Development
CLP	Construction Logistics Plan
CMS	Construction Method Statement
Conservation	The process of maintaining and managing change to a heritage asset in a way that sustains and, where appropriate, enhances its significance.
COPA	Control of Pollution Act 1974
CSAR	Chief Superintendent Armaments Research

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Cumulative effects	The additional changes caused by a proposed development in conjunction with other similar developments or as the combined effect of a set of developments, taken together.
D1	Community building uses
D2	Community building uses
dB	Decibel
dBA	A weighting decibel
Deep borehole soakaway	A type of soakaway typically used when the surface geology is of low-permeability and a traditional soakaway system would fail to drain effectively. Surface water is first collected (in attenuation ponds and tanks with respect this proposed development) and then discharged to the permeable strata that lies beneath via a borehole pipe.
DMS	Demolition Method Statement
Designated heritage asset	A World Heritage Site, Scheduled Monument, Listed Building, Protected Wreck Site, Registered Park and Garden, Registered Battlefield or Conservation Area designated under the relevant legislation.
DMRB	Design Manual for Roads and Bridges
dph	Dwellings Per Hectare
DSTL	Defence Science and Technology Laboratory
EA	Economic Activity
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
ES	Environmental Statement
EV	Electric Vehicles
FE	Further Education
FE	Form Entry
FEMA	Functional Economic Market Area
FEMS	Framework Ecological Mitigation Strategy
Flood Zone 1	Land having a less than 1 in 1,000 annual probability of fluvial or tidal flooding.
Flood Zone 2	Land having between a 1 in 100 and 1 in 1,000 annual probability of fluvial flooding; or, between a 1 in 200 and 1 in 1,000 annual probability of tidal flooding.
Flood Zone 3a	Land having a 1 in 100 or greater annual probability of fluvial flooding; or, a 1 in 200 or greater annual probability of tidal flooding.

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Flood Zone 3b	This Flood Zone comprises land where water has to flow or be stored in times of flood. Local planning authorities should identify in their Strategic Flood Risk Assessments areas of functional floodplain and its boundaries accordingly, in agreement with the Environment Agency.
FTE	Full-Time Equivalent (jobs)
GEA	Gross External Area
GIA	Gross Internal Area
GP	General Practitioner
GVA	Gross Value Added
ha	Hectares
Heritage asset	A building, monument, site, place, area of landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions because of its heritage interest. It includes designated heritage assets and assets identified by the local planning authority (including local listing).
Historic environment	All aspects of the environment resulting from the interaction between people and places through time, including all surviving physical remains of past human activity, whether visible, buried or submerged, and landscape and planted or managed flora.
HDVs	Heavy Duty Vehicles
HMSO	Her Majesty's Stationary Office
IEEM	Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management
KCC	Kent County Council
KCCH	Kent County Council Highways
KCCHC	Kent County Council Heritage Conservation
KHER	Kent Historic Environment Record
l/s	Litres per second.
Landscape character	A distinct and recognisable pattern of elements in the landscape that makes one landscape different from another, rather than better or worse.
Landscape Character Areas (LCA)	These are single unique areas which are the discrete geographical areas of a particular landscape type. Each has its own individual character and identity, even though it shares the same generic characteristics with other types.

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Landscape character type	These are distinct types of landscape that are relatively homogeneous in character. They are generic in nature in that they may occur in different areas in different parts of the country, but wherever they occur they share broadly similar combinations of geology, topography, drainage patterns, vegetation, historical land use, and settlement pattern.
Landscape quality (or condition)	A measure of the physical state of the landscape. It may include the extent to which typical character is represented in individual areas, the intactness of the landscape and the condition of individual elements.
Landscape receptor	Defined aspects of the landscape resource that have the potential to be affected by a proposal.
Landscape value	The relative value that is attached to different landscapes by society. A landscape may be valued by different stakeholders for a whole variety of reasons.
LAQM	Local Air Quality Management
LAeq	Average noise level
LAFmax	Maximum noise level measured over a certain period of time.
LEAP	Locally Equipped Area for Play
LEP	Local Enterprise Partnership
LEMP	Landscape and Ecological Management Plan
LLFA	Lead Local Flood Authority
LTP	Local Transport Plan
LWS	Local Wildlife Site
LVIA	Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment
Magnitude (of effect)	A term that combines judgements about the size and scale of the effect, the extent of the area over which it occurs, whether it is reversible or irreversible and whether it is short or long term, in duration.
MCC	Manual Classified Counts
MCIEEM	Member of the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management
MDS	Major Developed Site
MHCLG	Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
Mitigation	Measures which are proposed to prevent, reduce and where possible offset any significant adverse effects (or to avoid, reduce and if possible remedy identified effects).
MoD	Ministry of Defence

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MUGA	Multi-Use Games Area
MYE	Mid-Year Estimates (population)
NCA	National Character Area
NEAP	Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play
NIA	Net internal area
NHLE	The National Heritage List for England
NHS	National Health Service
NO ₂	Nitrogen Dioxide
NPPF	National Planning Policy Framework
NSR	Noise Sensitive Receptor
OAN	Objectively Assessed Housing Need
OPP	Outline Planning Permission
ONS	Office for National Statistics
pa	Per annum
PAH	Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon
PDE	Projectile Development Establishment
PFRA	Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment
PM ₁₀	Particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of less than 10 micrometres.
PM _{2.5}	Particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of less than 2.5 micrometres.
PRoWs	Public Rights of Way
RBMP	River Basin Management Plan
R&D	Research and Development
Residual effects	Environmental effects remaining after mitigation measures have been implemented.
RMS	Remediation Method Statement
Scheduled Monument	A Scheduled Monument is an historic site, building or area that is included in the Schedule of Monuments kept by the Secretary for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport. The regime is set out in the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979.
SCI	Social and Community Infrastructure
SDC	Sevenoaks District Council
Sensitivity	A term applied to specific receptors, combining judgements of the susceptibility of the receptor to the specific type of change or development proposed and the value related to that receptor.

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Sensitive Receptor	Receptors comprise anything that may be affected by an environmental effect, be this human beings, socio-economic activity, habitats, species, controlled waters, landscape or cultural heritage
SEP	Strategic Economic Plan
Setting of a heritage asset	The surroundings in which a heritage asset is experienced. Its extent is not fixed and may change as the asset and its surroundings evolve. Elements of a setting may make a positive or negative contribution to the significance of an asset, may affect the ability to appreciate that significance or may be neutral.
SHMA	Strategic Housing Market Assessment
Significance	The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. The interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting.
SFRA	Strategic Flood Risk Assessment
SMC	Scheduled Monument Consent
SME	Small and Medium-Sized Enterprise
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest
SPG	School Planning Group
Sqm	Square Metres
SPZ	Sorce Protection Zone
STW	Sewage Treatment Works
SuDS	Sustainable Drainage System
Susceptibility	The ability of a defined landscape or visual receptor to accommodate the specific proposed development without undue negative consequences.
SWMP	Surface Water Management Plan
TEMPRO	Trip End Model Presentation Program
TRICS	Trip Rate Information Computer
TP	Trial pit
UXO	Unexploded Ordnance
Visual amenity	The overall pleasantness of the views people enjoy of their surroundings, which provides an attractive visual setting or backdrop for the enjoyment of activities of people living, working, recreating, visiting or travelling through an area.

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Visual effect	Effects on specific views and on the general visual amenity experienced by people.
Visual receptor	Individuals and/or defined groups of people who have the potential to be affected by a proposal.
Water Resource Zone	An area within which the abstraction and distribution of potable water to meet demand is largely self-contained and all customers experience the same level of service. Thames Water's supply area is divided into six Water Resource Zones.
WHO	World Health Organisation
WKCS	West Kent Cold Store
Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV)	A map, usually digitally produced, showing areas of land within which a development is theoretically visible.
$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ micrograms per cubic metre	A measure of concentration in terms of mass per unit volume. A concentration of $1\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ means that one cubic metre of air contains one microgram (millionth of a gram) of pollutant.
5G	Fifth generation mobile/internet connectivity