

Table 1 Summary of Comments on the Draft Ashford Rural Economic Assessment and NLP Response

Comment	NLP Response	Paragraph/ Sections/ Figures/ Table/Study Objectives No.
No reference to NLP having talked to employment hub providers	NLP undertook interviews as part of the wider consultation exercise.	See Appendix 1 List of Consultees
NP is proposing to reserve parts of Wye 3 site for commercial and office use	The future use of this site is yet to be determined dependent on the outcome of a master-planning exercise.	5.22/ 6.46
Wye Parish Council want to promote tourism through the use of parts of Wye College Campus	As stated by Wye Parish Council, this will be determined by the Imperial College Masterplan, additional text has been added to Para. 6.12 to reflect anticipated job growth in tourism related sectors	6.45/6.12
Broadband improvements are being implemented	The 'Make Kent Quicker' programme is referenced in the report at Para. 2.40/2.41 and further comment has been added noting that implementation has commenced. Additional text has been added at 6.30	2.40/2.41/6.30
It is unlikely that the problems of road accessibility will be resolved	Additional text has been added to reflect this information.	5.22/6.31
The growth of the Free School will boost employment	The job increase associated with the growth of the Free School is reference in Paragraph 6.13, text amended	6.13
The proposed Rehab Clinic will boost employment	This has yet to be confirmed and is therefore exempt from the study	N/A
Footnote: should be 'Wye with Hinxhill'	While the Parish is Wye with Hinxhill, as per ONS 2003 CAS wards the ward is referred to as 'Wye'.	P1
Typo: Channel Port of Dover – remove port0	Amended	P4. 2.4
Vision for the Borough (add)	Amended	P4. 2.5
To date within the Ashford rural area, Wye with Hinxhill, Rolvenden, Bethersden and Boughton Aluph and Eastwell Parishes	Amended to reflect updated position	P5. 2.9

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have been designated as neighbourhood areas.		
Rural Ashford Population figure for 2012 is missing	Population estimates for 2012 are not yet available at ward level, footnote included to clarify.	P5. Fig 2.2
Wye with Hinxhill (when referring to Ward need to have 'Wye with Hinxhill' in full, when referring to settlement can just be referred to as Wye).	As above, as per ONS 2003 CAS wards the ward is referred to as 'Wye'.	P6. 2.13
Only 2% of employees work in large firms with over 250 employees in the rural area compared to 25% in urban Ashford? This refers to urban Ashford (25%), graph shows Ashford Borough (19%)?	Text amended	P13. Fig 2.11
This section provides an overview of the current stock of employment space within the Ashford rural area, and reviews property...	Amended	P23, 3.0
56% (10,000sqm) of office space and 71%... (delete 'in')	Amended	P.25, 3.7
Figure 3.7, not 3.4	Amended	P.29, 3.18
This is explored in further detail, (not future detail).	Amended	P49, 5.15
Change to read: This Rural Economic Assessment will help to inform the preparation of the Wye Neighbourhood Plan which will cover the period to 2030.	Amended	P53. 6.3
Remove second sentence, Wye is identified... (this is repeated in 6.5 first sentence).	Amended	P53. 6.4
As shown in Figure 6.3, not 6.2	Amended	P55. 6.8

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Figure 6.4, not 6.3	Amended	P56. 6.9
As shown in Figure 6.5, not 6.4	Amended	P56. 6.10
Please check Figure numbering	Noted	P57. 6.11
...situated within the Wye with Hinxhill ward,...	As above	P58. 6.14
As shown in Table 6.1, in terms of <u>the</u> number of <u>businesses</u> Wye...	Amended	P58. 6.14
Figure 6.8, not 6.7	Amended	P59, 6.17
Figures 6.9 to 6.10, not 6.8 to 6.10	Amended	P60, 6.20
Could the yellow key text be black, can't read the white text on yellow background.	Information included in the text	Figs. 6.9 and 6.10
(Figure 6.12) not 6.6	Amended	P62, 6.24
As shown in Figure 6.13 below, not 6.7	Amended	P63, 6.25
Would be quite good to have Figure 3.2 shown against Figure 6.12 for comparison?	Footnote included	P62, 6.24
(see Figure 6.15), not Figure 1.2.	Amended	P66, 6.38
Emerging Ashford Local Plan to 2030, not 2031	Amended	P70, 7.1