Site	
Reference	1075
Address	Land at Rectory Road, Cliffe
Description	Overgrown (eastern part of the site). Grazing Land. Screened from east, south and west - mature vegetation.
Size (ha)	3.32
Relevant policy guidance	
Location Plan	Tes tax Tes

Development Potential		
Residential	96	
Employment	Office	33,160 m ²
	Industrial	13,265 m ²
	Storage	13,265 m ²
Main Town Centre Uses		
Other Uses		

Suitability - General		
Facilities & Services	Site has poor access to services and	
Accessibility	facilities.	
Public Transport	Site has poor access to public transport	
Accessibility	opportunities.	
Highway Network Capacity	Access to the strategic highway network (M2/A2) is via the Four Elms Roundabout and A289. Whilst there are currently some capacity issues experienced at this junction, upgrades are planned and are expected to go someway towards resolving these constraints.	
	Detailed assessment of the implications of development for the Four Elms	
	Roundabout is likely to be required to	

Suitability - General		
	inform the local plan and development	
	management process. Assessment of M2	
	Junction 1 may also be required.	
	Access around the Medway urban	
	distributor network is likely to be	
	constrained by a number of identified	
	congestion hotspots including Medway	
	Tunnel in particular.	
	Whilst it is possible that strategic	
	infrastructure upgrades may address these	
	congestion issues, improving access to the	
	urban distributor network, there are no	
	upgrades planned or identified at present.	
	Further detailed assessment would need to	
	be undertaken (as part of the Local Plan or	
	development management process) to	
	demonstrate how traffic generated be the	
	development could be accommodated on	
	the network.	
	Developer contributions may be required	
	to fund infrastructure upgrades necessary	
	to address capacity constraints.	
Site Access	It is likely a suitable vehicular access could	
	be created on to Rectory Road, which is	
	directly adjacent to the site.	
	Notwithstanding the above, the suitability	
	of the prospective access would need to be	
	further investigated through the	
	Development Management Process.	
Ecological Potential	An ecological survey of the site has not	
	been investigated as part of this high level	
	assessment and as such the presence or	
	absence of protected species and/or	
	habitats cannot be established at this stage.	
	Further assessment would therefore need	
	to be undertaken through the Local Plan or	
	Development Management process, before	
	development could be supported or	
	rejected.	
Designated Habitats	Natural England guidance (Impact Risk	

Suitability - General		
	Zones) indicates that development of this	
	site poses a potential risk to a SSSI.	
	Further assessment of the potential	
	impacts of development upon designated	
	habitats would therefore need to be	
	undertaken through the Local Plan or	
	Development Management process, before	
	development could be supported or	
	rejected.	
Landscape	Site is situated within built up area.	
	Development is unlikely to have a	
	detrimental impact upon the locally valued	
	landscapes.	
Heritage	Development is unlikely to have an impact	
	upon any designated heritage assets.	
Air Quality	Site may be constrained by air pollution but	
	mitigation is likely to be deliverable.	
Contamination	Contamination is not suspected on the site.	
Site Developability	The site is free from known development	
	'abnormals'.	
Agricultural Land	The site is situated on the best and most	
	versatile agricultural land.	
Open Space	Site is not designated open space.	

Suitability – Housing		
Flood Risk	Site is at low risk of flooding.	
Noise	Noise pollution may affect the site, but it is	
	likely that this could be mitigated.	
Amenity/Overlooking	The site has the potential to impact upon	
	amenity of nearby residential properties.	
	Whilst this is likely to be resolvable through	
	sensitive design, it is likely this would have	
	implications for site capacity.	
Employment Land	Site is not designated employment land.	
Overall	The site is considered unsuitable for	
	development unless identified constraints	
	can be addressed.	

Suitability – Economic Development		
Flood Risk	Site is at low risk of flooding.	
Noise	Noise pollution may affect the site, but it is likely that this could be mitigated for	

	commercial uses.	
Amenity	Mainly residential with few commercial uses.	
Overall	Site is unsuitable for employment uses.	

Suitability – Mixed Use		
Overall	The site is considered unsuitable for	
	development unless identified constraints can	
	be addressed.	

Availability	
Landowner is actively promoting the site for redevelopment through	
call for sites - housing	