



Condition 9 Arrives

On 8 October Esquire Developments applied to discharge condition 9, the construction management plan for the Church Street land. It is open for comment until 4 November. Nothing on the Church Street land was decided this week.

FOR THE GROUP 17 OCTOBER 2026

PART ONE

What happened since 9 October

- 1 An application under condition 9.** MC/26/1938 was received and validated by Medway on 8 October. The application form says it is for condition 9 of the appeal decision and lists a construction environmental management plan with four drawings: a site logistics plan, a sports pitch logistics plan, a construction traffic route and a haul road link. The applicant is Esquire Developments. Medway's consultation runs from 14 October to 4 November and its own target date for deciding it is 3 December.
- 2 The plan itself is not on the file.** On 17 October Medway's file held the application form and the four drawings, each marked DRAFT, but not the construction environmental management plan the form lists. Nobody had commented yet. Medway's register describes the application as "S278 Cooling Rd RBT", which reads as the Cooling Road roundabout works; the form and every drawing are about how the site would be run during building.
- 3 Twenty new drawings on the access application.** On 14 October twenty further drawings were added to MC/26/1722, the accesses under condition 11, two weeks after its consultation closed. There are five each for accesses headed Station Road, Sports Pitches, Cooling Road and Church Street. The application was first filed with details for one of the four works the condition names. The group has not yet read the new drawings.

4 The group wrote again about the overhead line. A letter from the committee dated 9 October went onto Medway's files for MC/26/1646 and MC/26/1467 on 13 October. It says neither file holds a response from UK Power Networks or Sport England or any drawing showing the line. It asks four questions and asked for a reply by 16 October.

5 The Town Road signage closed. Medway's consultation on MC/26/1809 ended on 14 October with three objections on its file. Its own target date is 16 November. Nothing else on the Church Street land was decided this week and Medway's file for Higham Road, MC/26/0194, still showed no appeal.

PART TWO

Where things stand

WAITING FOR A
DECISION

12

applications on the
Church Street land

OPEN FOR
COMMENT NOW

1

MC/26/1938, until
4 November

OBJECTIONS ON
THE SIX

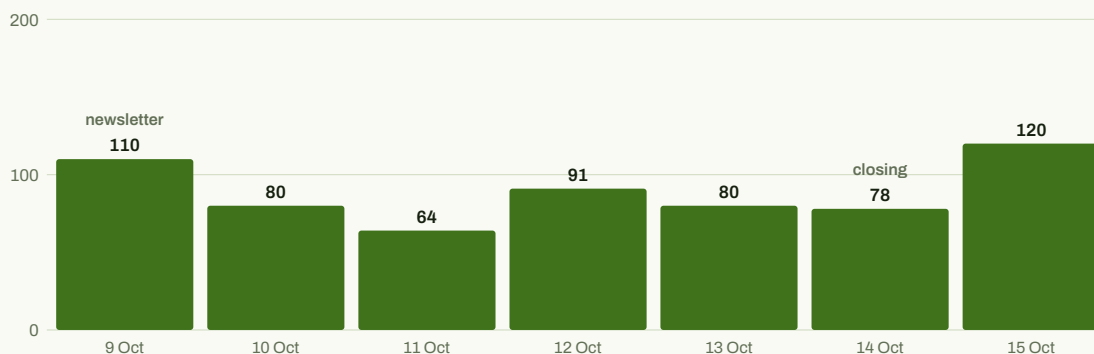
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the same as on 9
October

VISITS IN THE
WEEK

623

9 to 15 October



These bars are visits, which is to say people, not page hits. The week ran at much the same level as the one before, between sixty and a hundred and twenty a day, with the newsletter day and 15 October the busiest.

PART THREE

What it actually means

01 Condition 9 is now in front of Medway

Condition 9 is the construction environmental management plan. It applies to any phase of the development including site clearance and the Inspector listed it, at paragraph 78 of the appeal decision, among the conditions that must be agreed before any works start on site. Earlier issues said nobody had applied to discharge it. That was true until 8 October.

This is the application about the building work itself. Where the compounds go, which roads the construction traffic uses and where the haul road runs are what the four drawings show. Anyone who wants to comment will want to read the plan first and on 17 October it was not on the public file. Searching Medway's planning portal for MC/26/1938 brings up its file.

02 Drawings arriving after a closing date

The twenty drawings on MC/26/1722 arrived after its consultation had ended. Medway has not published a new closing date. A comment sent while an application is undecided can still count and Medway's own target date for this one is 3 November.

PART FOUR

What to do about it

One closing date and three target dates, in the order they fall.

Friday
23 OCTOBER

Medway's own target date for the recreation ground. MC/26/1646, the pitches, courts and pavilion under condition 41. Twenty-eight people have objected. The group's letter on the overhead line asked for a reply before it is decided.

Monday
2 NOVEMBER

Target dates begin for nine more. The six September applications are due on 2 and 3 November and the three sets of reserved matters on 2 and 4 November. The group will report each decision as it is made.

Wednesday
4 NOVEMBER

Comments close on MC/26/1938. Condition 9, the construction management plan. Comment through Medway's planning portal or by email to planning.representations@medway.gov.uk, quoting MC/26/1938.

Every week
WHILE
APPLICATIONS ARE
LIVE

Send the link rather than only reacting to the post. A link shared in a WhatsApp group or a text message is how most visits arrive. It takes ten seconds.

PART FIVE

Where this comes from

Everything above comes from Medway's own planning register, read application by application on 17 October 2026, including the application form and drawings for MC/26/1938. Comment counts are as Medway's comments tab gives them. The group also searched Medway's weekly lists for anything received, validated or decided from 28 September to 16 October in the Strood Rural ward, which covers both villages. That is how MC/26/1938 was found. Visit figures come from the website's own counter, which records nothing that identifies anybody.

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