Welcome to the Thanet Parkway Public Consultation Event

Kent County Council (KCC) is promoting a new parkway station in Thanet on the existing rail line between Minster and Ramsgate just to the west of the village of Cliffsend. A ‘parkway’ station is a railway station that primarily serves as a park and ride interchange.

In 2015 we ran a consultation on the initial design for a new station. Your feedback helped to inform the outline design on which we are now seeking your views.

Your views are essential to help us shape our proposal prior to the submission of a planning application and ensure it best suits the needs of the local community and businesses.

Have your say!

Whether you support the proposal or have concerns about it, we want to hear your comments and views.

You can provide your views by completing the questionnaire which is available:
- Online at kent.gov.uk/thanetparkway
- By completing the paper questionnaire available here.

Thank you for your time and interest in this project.

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What are we proposing?

• A new Parkway station located on the Ashford to Ramsgate line.

• Situated between Minster and Ramsgate railway stations, and served by both Mainline and High Speed services.

• Good transport links to the surrounding highway network via the A299 Hengist Way, and provides local connections for pedestrians and cyclists.

The design shown in this drawing is illustrative and may be subject to change at later stages of the scheme development.

Proposed location of station and car park

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Why are we proposing a new station?


• Complements the Journey Time Improvement (JTI) scheme that brings Thanet to within around an hour’s journey time of London (Stratford international).

• Encourages investment in Thanet and East Kent as it improves the area’s perceived peripheral location.

• Widens employment opportunities for Thanet residents by providing improved rail access to London and other locations in the county.

• Supports new homes and jobs identified in the draft Thanet Local plan.

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Proposed Station Facilities

• Single station entrance on the north side adjacent to the car park.
• Two platforms accessible by stairs, lift and pedestrian bridge.
• Waiting shelters, CCTV and passenger information points on each platform.
• Unstaffed station with ticket machines and help points to provide remote assistance.
• Passive provision for additional facilities should they be needed in the future.

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Proposed Road Access

- A series of access road arrangements have been considered as part of the station design.
- The preferred option is to provide a two-way single access road from Hengist Way (A299). A signalised T-junction with dedicated turning lanes will provide access from the A299.
- This option enables the station and car park to be close to the main road and minimises the amount of land required for the scheme, therefore reducing the loss of agricultural land.

Proposed Public Transport, Walking and Cycling Access

- The station will be well-connected with local bus routes, offer a park and ride facility and have cycle and pedestrian access.
- We have talked with the local bus company to understand how to connect the station to the surrounding towns and business parks.
- We are also working with our highway design consultants and Public Rights of Way officers to identify the best option for safely connecting the station to existing Public Rights of Way and cycle networks in the area.
Proposed Parking Facilities

- The proposed station will include 300 parking spaces offering both long and short stay parking.
- The car park will also include disabled bays, a dedicated area for motorcycles, spaces offering electric car charging points and cycle storage.
- The car park will also have lighting and CCTV cameras to aid security.
- There will also be a dedicated area for pick up/drop off and a reserved taxi rank.
- Charges for parking at the station will be decided by Kent County Council following submission of the planning application.

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