

I am a resident of the Sherwood Forest community and have had a long-standing interest in the use and protection of the Medway Valley ESA.

The ESA is an integral part of our community and protecting the ecological integrity of this green space is a priority for me, my family, and many of my neighbours. We enjoy incredible biodiversity in this part of the city in large part because the ESA is a small but relatively intact sanctuary for many native plant and animal species. We feel strongly that the ecological integrity of the ESA should be respected.

I have reviewed the details of the Medway Valley Master Plan and feel it does a good job achieving this goal while balancing the needs for recreational utilization and accessibility.

I encourage members of council to adapt the Medway Valley ESA Conservation Master Plan in its current form.

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