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To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for contacting Scope about Thanet District Council's statutory review of polling places. I greatly appreciate the inclusion of the proposals in Annex 1, and have read them with interest. The comments of the Returning Officer, and the recommendations made, do indicate that access issues are being considered and improvements trying to be made notably in Bradstowe and Salmestone.

As you may be aware, Scope has campaigned for a number of years on issues of polling station accessibility, particularly through our recent Polls Apart campaign. As part of this campaign, we produced a set of guidelines for Local Authorities, to assist in ensuring that polling stations are properly accessible for disabled people with a variety of needs. I have attached a copy of this checklist which you may find of use in carrying out your review.

I hope that this information is useful to you, and please do not hesitate to contact Scope again should you require any further information.

Kind regards,

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