NAME OF COUNCIL	DOES THE COUNCIL HAVE A POOL OF SUBSTITUTES FOR THE PLANNING COMMITTEE?  IF SO, IS IT POLITICALLY BALANCED AND HOW ARE ALLOCATIONS MADE?	WHAT SPECIFIC PROVISION IS THERE FOR APPOINTING SUBSTITUTES TO ATTEND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS?
Thanet District Council	Yes, as per Clause 9.1 of the Protocol for the Guidance of Planning Committee members and Officers  Allocations made at Annual meetings of Council  Pool is politically balanced	Clause 4.1, Protocol for the guidance of Planning Committee Members and Officers" -  " it is expected that all members of the Planning Committee (including substitute members) will participate in initial and regular update training"
Ashford Borough Council	No	As "Appendix 4 to Procedure Rule 1.2" (Scheme of substitutes)  "The attendance at a Planning training session is a pre-requisite to being able to act as a substitute at meetings of the Planning Committee".
Canterbury City Council	No	Code of Guidance for probity in planning " the Council will provide mandatory training to planning committee members and their substitutes"  "A record of member's attendance at training events will be kept so that training needs can be reviewed regularly."
Shepway District Council	No	None
Dover District Council	No [but there is a pool of named substitutes appointed by the Council for the Governance Committees  CPR 4 (8) – Appointment of Substitute  Members"]	Article 13 – Decision Making  13.09 "Only members (and named substitutes where appropriate) who have received the appropriate training may serve on the  Planning Committee"  CPR 4 – Appointment of Substitute Members of Committees  4(3)"In no case shall the number of substitute Members appointed by a political group to a committee or sub-committee exceed one third of the number of seats allocated to the political group save that each political group shall have the right to appoint at least one substitute member in all cases"