

5. Annex **COMPONENTS OF DEFENCE AREA 67**

Details of the defence works shown on Map 2 are given below. The listing is arranged in sequence of the unique database record numbers that are also given on the map.

UORN	S0009508	SITE TYPE	PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
		NGR	TQ 75398 56790
COUNTY	Kent		
DISTRICT	Maidstone		
PARISH	Maidstone		
LOCATION	In Whatman's Field [now Whatman Park], near River Medway, N of centre of Maidstone.		
DESCRIPTION			
	TYPE	DATE	
	Map	1957/ __/ __	
	Hexagonal pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Field Visit	__/ __/ __	
	Type 24 infantry pillbox. [Recorder, A. Webb, gives NGR - TQ 754565].		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Field Visit	1999/12/04	
	Probably type 24 pillbox; brick-shuttered. [Recorder viewed from a distance as the site is currently being developed and no access].		
	TYPE	DATE	
	Field Visit	2003/12/17	
	No sign of this pillbox during field work.		
CONDITION	Unknown		
THREATS	The land adjacent to the pillbox is currently being levelled and cleared for a 'millennium project'.		
ADJACENT			
SITES			
PART OF	GHQ Line (North West Kent)		
	Maidstone nodal point		
CONSTRUCTION			
DATE	1940/ __/ __	1941/ __/ __	

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0009509 **SITE TYPE** CUBE
NGR TQ 75429 56889

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION By new footbridge over River Medway to Whatman Park - on the N bank of the river, by an area of new housing.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit 2003/12/17

Eight 6ft x 5ft concrete cubes either side of a new footbridge. There are two lines of five surviving cubes approaching the river bank at right angles to the E of the bridge, and three cubes in a single line to the W. Two of the cubes of the W line have been shuttered with corrugated iron. The exact purpose of these cubes at this point is not clear.

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit 1999/12/04

Anti-tank cubes.

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit ___/___/___

9 x 5ft concrete anti-tank cubes. [Recorder, A. Webb].

TYPE **DATE**
Map 1957/___/___

OS 1:2500 indicates anti-tank cubes by the word 'Stone' - in three positions.

CONDITION

Good

THREATS

The land to the rear of the cubes is being levelled.

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

Maidstone nodal point

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __

1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN	S0009510	SITE TYPE	PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/28A)
		NGR	TQ 74836 58082

COUNTY	Kent
DISTRICT	Maidstone
PARISH	Maidstone
LOCATION	At Allington Lock on River Medway, within Environment Agency building yard.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	Field Visit	DATE	2003/12/17
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Concrete-faced anti-tank gun emplacement with LMG side-chamber. Chamfered roof edge. Main embrasure faces N across river. Three LMG embrasures, one beside the main embrasure in the N face. The emplacement is used today as a store by the Environment Agency, and the main embrasure is glazed and boarded, and the LMG embrasures blocked in with air bricks. The entrance now has a door in place. No access without permission.

TYPE	Map	DATE	1969/ __/ __
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Large, rectangular structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.

TYPE	Field Visit	DATE	1999/12/04
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Concrete-faced type 28a anti-tank gun emplacement. It is used today as an Environment Agency stores, and is threatened with demolition for development.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

There are provisional plans, apparently, to demolish the pillbox and erect a new building on the site.

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __

1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0009512 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR TQ 7433 5819

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION On the N side of the railway line close to a path crossing the line, at the edge of a construction yard.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit 2003/12/17

Heavily eroded pillbox, heavily overgrown - viewed from a distance across the railway line. Faces NNE. No access.

TYPE **DATE**
Air Photograph 1946/05/01

Type 24 pillbox plotted from air photograph.

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit 1999/12/04

Brick-shuttered type 24 pillbox, with entrance and embrasures bricked-up. The area of the pillbox is used for building huts, etc associated with motorway works.

CONDITION

Bad

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

106G/UK/1444 (fr.3404) RAF aerial photographs

DESIGNATION

UORN S0009513 SITE TYPE PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/28A)
NGR TQ 74238 58192

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION Close to the S edge of the M20 motorway and the railway line, by a footpath adjacent to the Business Park at Allington Quarry.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 2003/12/17

Brick-shuttered type 28A anti-tank gun emplacement. Main stepped, square embrasure faces ENE, with holdfast for 6pdr. gun. Has interior dividing wall creating side LMG chamber. Chamfered corners. Earth now piled up at rear and overgrown. Access, including interior, possible.

TYPE DATE
Air Photograph 1946/05/01

Rectangular pillbox plotted from air photograph.

TYPE DATE
Map 1969/__/__

Large, rectangular structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 1999/12/04

Concrete-faced type 28a anti-tank gun emplacement. Overgrown.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

The emplacement is overgrown.

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/__/__ 1941/__/__

REFERENCE

CPE/UK/1923 (fr.3191) RAF aerial photographs
106G/UK/1444 (fr.3404) RAF aerial photographs

DESIGNATION

UORN S0009640 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR TQ 74176 58385

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION In a coppice on the S bank of the River Medway, close to the N side of the M20 motorway.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	2003/12/17

Brick-shuttered type 24 pillbox on bank overlooking the Medway. Projecting bricks at corners. Embrasures blocked in. Doorway had been blocked, but entry now possible. Concrete anti-ricochet wall. Heavily overgrown. Faces ENE. Access possible.

TYPE	DATE
Map	1969/ __/ __

Hexagonal (type 24) pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces NE.

TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	1999/12/10

Brick-shuttered type 24 pillbox.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

The pillbox is very overgrown.

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0009641 SITE TYPE PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR TQ 73442 58514

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Tonbridge and Malling
PARISH Aylesford
LOCATION On S bank of River Medway at Little Preston, near crossing of the railway line at the end of Coldharbour Lane.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 2003/12/17

Brick-shuttered type 24 pillbox on the S bank of the River Medway, but set at an angle to it so that it faces NE. Access possible, including interior. Heavily overgrown.

TYPE DATE
Air Photograph 1946/01/12

Pillbox plotted from air photograph.

TYPE DATE
Map 1965/__/__

Hexagonal pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 2003/12/17

Brick-shuttered type 24 pillbox on the S bank of the River Medway, but set at an angle to it so that it faces NE. Two steps down to entrance. Heavily overgrown. Access possible, including interior.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

The pillbox is very overgrown.

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/__/__ 1941/__/__

REFERENCE

106G/UK/1112 (fr.3031) RAF aerial photographs

DESIGNATION

UORN S0009642 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (PREFABRICATED)
NGR TQ 72695 58920

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Tonbridge and Malling
PARISH Aylesford
LOCATION On N bank of River Medway, at the rear of a Shell oil plant, close to Aylesford Bridge and the railway line.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Map 1965/ __/ __

Small, rectangular structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.
TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit 1999/12/10

Pillbox made with prefabricated reinforced concrete panels. 3 embrasures. Its entrance has been filled in with earth and one panel has been broken.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

The pillbox is very overgrown.

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0011425 **SITE TYPE** DEFENDED BUILDING
NGR TQ 7302 5897

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Tonbridge and Malling
PARISH Aylesford
LOCATION Pub at the N end of Aylesford Bridge on the road running E towards Sandling.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**

Field Visit

___/___/___

Outbuilding at the rear of pub was loopholed for an anti-tank gun, facing E down road to Sandling.

CONDITION

Unknown

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/___/___

1941/___/___

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0011431 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/28)
NGR TQ 75045 58339

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION Forstal Road, Sandling, nr. Allington.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Map 1969/___/___

Large, rectangular structure plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Also shows on 1990 sheet.

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit ___/___/___

6pdr. type 28 anti-tank gun emplacement. DEMOLISHED for road works.

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

Maidstone nodal point

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/__/__

1941/__/__

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0011444 **SITE TYPE** ANTI TANK VERTICAL RAIL
NGR TQ 754 569

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION By towpath of River Medway.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit 2003/12/17

These sockets not identified during field work.

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit ____/__/__

6 x concrete sockets that would have taken vertical steel rails as part of a roadblock. [Recorder terms these 'hedgehog insets'].

CONDITION

Unknown

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

Maidstone nodal point

CONSTRUCTION**DATE**

1940/__/__ 1941/__/__

REFERENCE**DESIGNATION**

UORN S0011454 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/22)
NGR TQ 75178 56945

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION Whatmans Field [now Whatman Park], River Medway - nr. Maidstone.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE Map **DATE** 1957/__/__

Polygonal pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.
TYPE Field Visit **DATE** ____/__/__

Type 22 infantry pillbox. Buried under earth mound.
TYPE Field Visit **DATE** 2003/12/17

No sign of this pillbox during field work.

CONDITION

Unknown

THREATS

The pillbox is buried under an earth mound.

ADJACENT**SITES****PART OF**

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

Maidstone nodal point

CONSTRUCTION**DATE**

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0012611 **SITE TYPE** **PILLBOX**
NGR TQ 7519 5796

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION Just inside the outer moat of Allington Castle.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Air Photograph 1946/05/01

Rectangular pillbox plotted from air photograph.
TYPE **DATE**
SMR ___/___/___

Brick and concrete pillbox located just inside the outer moat of the castle.

CONDITION

Extant but condition unknown

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/___/___ 1941/___/___

REFERENCE

106G/UK/1444 (fr.3404) RAF aerial photographs

DESIGNATION

Kent SMR KE17155: TQ 75 NE 289

UORN S0012612 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR TQ 74934 58048

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION Archer's Field, Allington.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Map 1969/ __/ __

Hexagonal (type 24) pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces N.

TYPE DATE
SMR ____/ __/ __

Hexagonal brick and concrete pillbox. The roof remains intact and inside is still accessible.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

Kent SMR KE17161: TQ 75 NW 132

UORN S0016794 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX
NGR TQ 75148 58318

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION N of Forstal Road, Sandling.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Map 1969/ __/ __

Hexagonal pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.

CONDITION

Unknown

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __

1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0016795 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR TQ 75284 57845

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION S side of Allington Castle..

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Map 1957/ __/ __

Hexagonal (type 24) pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces ENE.

CONDITION

Unknown

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN	S0016796	SITE TYPE	PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
		NGR	TQ 75138 57598

COUNTY	Kent
DISTRICT	Maidstone
PARISH	Maidstone
LOCATION	On W bank of River Medway.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	2003/12/17
Field work shows no sign of this pillbox. Presumed destroyed.	
TYPE	DATE
Air Photograph	1946/05/01
Type 24 pillbox plotted from air photograph. Faces ESE.	
TYPE	DATE
Map	1957/ __/ __
Hexagonal (type 24) pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces ESE.	

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

106G/UK/1444 (fr.3404)

RAF aerial photographs

DESIGNATION

UORN S0016797 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR TQ 74956 57210

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION On W bank of River Medway close to railway line.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE	DATE
Field Visit	2003/12/17
Field work shows no sign of this pillbox. Presumed destroyed.	
TYPE	DATE
Map	1960/__/__

Hexagonal (type 24) pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces E.

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS**ADJACENT****SITES****PART OF**

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

Maidstone nodal point

CONSTRUCTION**DATE**

1940/__/__ 1941/__/__

REFERENCE**DESIGNATION**

UORN S0016798 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR TQ 73808 58366

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Tonbridge and Malling
PARISH Aylesford
LOCATION In woodland at the edge of a field on S side of railway line E of Coldharbour Lane and Little Preston Works.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE **DATE**
Field Visit 2003/12/17

Brick-shuttered type 24 pillbox. Overgrown. Faces railway line (N). Two steps down to entrance. Access possible by walking at edge of field. Interior access possible.

TYPE **DATE**
Air Photograph 1946/01/12

Hexagonal pillbox plotted from air photograph. Faces N.

TYPE **DATE**
Map 1965/ __/ __

Hexagonal pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet.

CONDITION

Good

THREATS

The pillbox is overgrown.

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

106G/UK/1112 (fr.3032) RAF aerial photographs

DESIGNATION

UORN S0016799 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX (TYPE FW3/24)
NGR TQ 75425 56445

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone

PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION Now preserved within Whatman Park alongside a path.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Field Visit 2003/12/17

Brick-shuttered type 24 pillbox, now buried at rear almost to top of doorway.
Faces E across the river. Preserved in landscaped park. Doorway and embrasures
blocked.

TYPE DATE
Map 1957/ __/ __

Hexagonal (type 24) pillbox plotted from OS 1:2500 sheet. Faces E.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

Maidstone nodal point

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/ __/ __ 1941/ __/ __

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION

UORN S0016809 **SITE TYPE** PILLBOX
NGR TQ 7355 5743

COUNTY Kent
DISTRICT Maidstone
PARISH Maidstone
LOCATION On N side of railway, W of London Road (A20).

DESCRIPTION

TYPE DATE
Air Photograph 1946/01/12

Rectangular pillbox plotted from air photograph.
TYPE DATE

Map

1940/11/20

Pillbox plotted from German map.

CONDITION

Unknown

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

Maidstone nodal point

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/11/___ ___/___/___

REFERENCE

106G/UK/1112 (fr.3031)
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RAF aerial photographs
Befestigungskarte
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DESIGNATION

UORN	S0016904	SITE TYPE	PILLBOX
		NGR	TQ 7453 5767

COUNTY	Kent
DISTRICT	Maidstone
PARISH	Maidstone
LOCATION	Now under an industrial estate S of M20 motorway.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE
Air Photograph

DATE
1946/05/01

Possible rectangular pillbox plotted from air photograph.

CONDITION

Destroyed

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

Maidstone nodal point

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/__/__

1941/__/__

REFERENCE

106G/UK/1444 (fr.3404)

RAF aerial photographs

DESIGNATION

UORN S0016920 **SITE TYPE** ANTI TANK BLOCK
NGR TQ 73520 58367

COUNTY

Kent

DISTRICT

Tonbridge and Malling

PARISH

Aylesford

LOCATION

By a footpath on the E side of a newly landscaped area of Little Preston Works.

DESCRIPTION

TYPE

Field Visit

DATE

2003/12/17

Single concrete cube, almost certainly ex-situ, but possibly from a road or rail block close to this location.

CONDITION

Fair

THREATS

ADJACENT

SITES

PART OF

GHQ Line (North West Kent)

CONSTRUCTION

DATE

1940/__/__

1941/__/__

REFERENCE

DESIGNATION