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Include unanswered questions

About you

****CONSENT TO PUBLISH**** Please note: your response will be published after the consultation closes. Please confirm you understand and agree to publish your name by ticking the box below.

Please select one item

(Required)

Yes, you may publish my name with my response

What is your name?

Name (Required)

David Wilson

Please indicate if you are completing this survey as a resident or other type from the list below (tick all that apply)

Please select all that apply

(Required)

- Agent
- Developer
- Landowner
- Resident
- Stakeholder
- Consultee
- Other (please specify below)

Did you complete a previous representation for the Melton Local Plan consultation held in November 2016?

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes
- No

FC1 Spatial Strategy (Policies SS2 and SS3)**Would you like to submit a representation for: FC1 Spatial Strategy (policies SS2 and SS3) section of the focused changes?**

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes
- No

FC2 - Melton Sustainable Neighbourhoods (policies SS4 & SS5) - Chapter 4**Would you like to complete a representation for the focused change relating to: FC2 Melton sustainable neighbourhood policies?**

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes
- No

FC3 Growth Strategy & Housing and Economic Development Needs Assessment (HEDNA)**Would you like to complete a representation for FC3: Growth Strategy and HEDNA?**

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes
- No

4. FC4 Housing site allocations**Would you like to complete a representation for the focused change relating to FC4: Housing Site Allocations, reserve sites and site specific policies?**

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes

No

Housing site allocations - Rep 1

1. Please select the settlement and clearly reference the site you are interested in (please note you can select additional sites later after you have completed this one)

Site 1 (select one)

Please select one item

- Ab Kettleby
- Asfordby Hill
- Asfordby
- Bottesford
- Croxton Kerrial
- Easthorpe
- Frisby
- Gaddesby
- Great Dalby
- Harby
- Hose
- Long Clawson
- Melton Mowbray
- Old Dalby
- Scalford
- Somerby
- Stathern
- Thorpe Arnold
- Waltham
- Wymondham

Site reference or page/policy number: (Required)

MBC/007/16

2. Do you believe that this policy/section of the Melton Local Plan:

(Required)

Is legally compliant

Please select one item

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Is sound

Please select one item

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Complies with the duty to co-operate

Please select one item

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

3. If you answered No to 'sound', please answer this question... Do you consider that this policy is unsound because...

Please select all that apply

- it's not positively prepared
- it is not justified
- it isn't effective
- it's not consistent with National Policy

Please provide comments for why you believe it is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. OR If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of this policy, or its compliance with the duty to co-operate: (Required)

The MBC plan contravenes the guidelines set out in the National Planning Practice Guidance which seeks to empower local communities to produce Neighbourhood Plans that propose sound, compliant planning solutions that conform to any additional development requirements. The local community has worked tirelessly to develop such a plan that meets the requirements imposed by MBC. This neighbourhood plan has been afforded absolutely no consideration to date, and even more worrying, the planning applications for the proposed Frisby sites appear to be moving at a faster pace than the MBC Local Plan. This is incredibly unsound as the future planning decisions of these sites are likely to be decided before the MBC Local Plan proposal is complete. Small, picturesque villages are the jewel in the crown of the Leicestershire countryside. One such example is Frisby on the Wreake, an historic village lying in the Wreake valley in the borough of Melton. Frisby village is well known throughout Leicestershire. It is a popular destination for walkers who come to enjoy the numerous public footpaths offering exceptional views over the Wreake valley, the river Wreake and Frisby lakes. The village is also a common stop off point for visitors to Melton Mowbray (The Rural Capital of Food) who drop in to partake of the fine beers and food available at the village Inn. The current Melton Borough Council Local Plan seeks to permanently erase over a thousand years of history by supersizing Frisby into a large village community. The plan to develop three large and separate sites to the south, north and west of the village will envelop the existing village erasing its identity and creating massive pressure on the existing village infrastructure. The rural heart of the village will be lost forever, it will no longer be a place to visit, and the reputation of the Rural Capital of Food

will be eroded as a consequence. The local village community recognise the potential damage of implementing the current MBC Local Plan. However, they are also pragmatic and accept the council's requirement to build new homes. To this end the Local Neighbourhood Plan has been created. This proposal seeks to meet the housing requirements set by the council whilst retaining the existing village identity. The current MBC local plan disregards the views of the local community who have worked tirelessly to create a workable proposal that best serves the needs of the local people and the wider community. It is the council's duty to maintain the rural communities within its care and preserve the rural heritage of the local area. The council has an ominous responsibility to achieve housing quotas whilst at the same time preserving the character and identity of communities within the borough.

Please describe what changes you consider necessary to make the Melton Local Plan legally compliant or sound

The council need to comply with the National Planning Practice Guidance in seeking to work with local communities and take into consideration proposals put forward in the Neighbourhood plan. The council needs to work closely with the local rural communities to understand concerns and to communicate openly to identify factors that form decision making and consequent strategies. Development consent for individual sites should NOT be awarded prior to the plan being agreed and implemented.

5. Do you have additional sites to submit a response for?

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes
- No

FC5 Housing Mix

Would you like to submit a representation for FC5 Housing Mix?

Please select one item

- Yes
- No

FC6 - Affordable Housing

Would you like to submit a representation for FC6: Affordable housing?

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes
- No

FC7 Gypsies and Travellers policies

Would you like to submit a representation for FC7: Gypsies and Travellers?

Please select one item

(Required)

Yes

No

FC8 Economy**Would you like to make any comments on FC8 Economy?**

Please select one item

Yes

No

FC9 Indoor Sports Facilities**Would you like to submit a representation for FC9 Sport?**

Please select one item

Yes

No

FC10 Infrastructure Delivery Plan**Would you like to submit a representation for the focused changes proposed for FC10: Infrastructure?**

Please select one item

(Required)

Yes

No

FC13 Policies map**Would you like to submit a representation for FC13 Policies Map?**

Please select one item

Yes

No

Examination

40. Can your representation seeking a change be considered by written representations or do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

Please select one item

(Required)

- Written Representations
- Participate at the Oral Examination

Receive news and updates

48. If you would like to be updated on any Melton Local Plan news and updates, then please indicate your preferences below and we will make sure you are kept informed.

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes, send me regular news and updates
- No, please do not send me any emails

49. Would you like to be kept informed of other council services? If so, please indicate your preferences below: (By ticking the box, you are opting in to receive news and updates from Melton Borough Council only for the options you have selected. We will not share this data with any other provider).

(Required)

Benefits*Please select all that apply*

- Yes I'm Interested - add me to the list
- Not interested - do not send me anything
-

Community*Please select all that apply*

- Yes I'm Interested - add me to the list
- Not interested - do not send me anything
-

Tourism & events*Please select all that apply*

- Yes I'm Interested - add me to the list
- Not interested - do not send me anything
-

Local Plan only*Please select all that apply*

- Yes I'm Interested - add me to the list
- Not interested - do not send me anything
-

Online services*Please select all that apply*

- Yes I'm Interested - add me to the list
- Not interested - do not send me anything
-

Town centre*Please select all that apply*

- Yes I'm Interested - add me to the list
- Not interested - do not send me anything
-

Waste and recycling*Please select all that apply*

- Yes I'm Interested - add me to the list
- Not interested - do not send me anything

To thank you for taking part in this online survey, you have the chance to be entered into our FREE prize draw to win vouchers worth up to £100. If you would like to be entered into the draw, please indicate so below:

Please select one item

(Required)

- Yes, please enter me into the FREE prize draw
- No thanks