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1. Policy EN10

2. Chapter 4 - para 6.2.1



### MELTON LOCAL PLAN - PRE SUBMISSION DRAFT (NOVEMBER 2016)

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Respondent Ref:
Date Received: 19.12.2016.

Melton Borough Council proposes to submit the Melton Local Plan (MLP) to the Secretary of State of Communities and Local Government for independent examination. Before submitting the MLP, the Council is required to publish the document and invite the public to make representations on its 'soundness'. The MLP, once adopted will be the development plan for Melton Borough.

This form has two parts:

- Part A: Personal Details
- Parts B and C: Your representation(s).

When making representations, please use a separate Part B form for each policy or paragraph you wish to comment on. Before completing the form you should read the accompanying Guide to Making Representations. Please ensure that your representation relates to the correct test of soundness (details can be found in the Guide to Making Representations)

Completed forms should be returned to the address below no later than Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2016. Representations received after this deadline will not be accepted.

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Alternatively, you can access this form on the Council's website <http://www.melton.gov.uk/localplan/site/index.php> and print it out or complete it electronically and e-mail your response to [planningpolicy@melton.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@melton.gov.uk)  
Representations can also be made via the Council's on-line consultation portal - <https://meltonboroughcouncil.citizenspace.com>

#### PART A: ABOUT YOU/YOUR ORGANISATION *(If you are an agent, please complete the personal details of your client in 1 and complete agent's details in 2).*

1. Personal Details	2. Agent's Details <i>(If applicable)</i>
Full Name:	Full Name & Company:
Elizabeth Taylor	
Organisation (if applicable)	Organisation/Client Representations on Behalf Of
N/A	
Address:	Address:
[Redacted]	
Postcode:	Postcode:
[Redacted]	
Email:	Email:
[Redacted]	
Contact Number:	Contact Number:
[Redacted]	
Number of Representations Enclosed:	1
Signature:	[Redacted]
Date:	18/12/16.

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Name/Organisation:	

**PART B: YOUR REPRESENTATION** (This section will need to be completed for each representation made. Please photocopy or download from the council's website Part B of the form as required.)

**3. Which part of the Melton Local Plan: Pre-Submission Draft does your representation relate to?** (Please enter the paragraph/policy number)

Paragraph:  Policy:  Policies Map:

**4. Do you consider that the Melton Local Plan: Pre-Submission Draft is?** (Please tick the appropriate box)

1. Legally Compliant: Yes  No

2. Sound: Yes  No

3. Complies with Duty to Co-operate: Yes  No

*\*The considerations in relation to the Local Plan being "sound" are explained in paragraph 182 of the National Planning Policy Framework. If you have entered "No" in relation to 4(2), please go to question 5. In all other circumstances, please go to question 6*

**5. Do you consider that the Melton Local Plan: Pre-Submission Draft is unsound because it is not any of the following?** (Please tick the appropriate box)

1. Positively Prepared  2. Justified  3. Effective  4. Consistent with National Policy

**6. Please give details of why you consider the Melton Local Plan: Pre-Submission Draft is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the Duty to Co-operate.** Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Melton Local Plan: Pre-Submission Draft or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments. (Please continue onto a separate sheet if you require more space)

It is no longer a legal requirement within National Policy for local authorities to identify suitable areas for wind energy development.

The area-by-area descriptions of LCUs given in the table on page 122 (Table 18?) are not necessary. They are not allocations but give the impression that proposals which conform to the heights and densities described, would be approved.

Policy EN10 is not consistent with NPPF Paragraph 154

"Local Plans should be aspirational but realistic. They should address the spatial implications of economic, social and environmental change. Local Plans should set out the opportunities for development and **clear policies on what will or will not be permitted and where**. Only policies that provide a clear indication of how a decision maker should react to a development proposal should be included in the plan."

If policy EN10 identifies landscape areas including LCU8 in the adopted Melton Local Plan for wind turbine or sustainable energy development, it will be very difficult to resist planning applications which follow.

7. Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Melton Local Plan: Pre-Submission Draft legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified at 5 above where this relates to soundness. (NB Please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why this change will make the Melton Local Plan: Pre-Submission Draft legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible. (Please continue onto a separate sheet if you require more space)

2. The assessed housing need of the borough is much lower than the housing target, which has been inflated presuming that economic growth can be achieved. The housing figure has also been inflated to compensate for the lack of delivery in recent years.

Land Study Melton Borough Council M94(e)/Final Report/June 2015

"2.45 The employment forecasts are shown in Table 2. As Table 2 indicates, the Leicester and Leicestershire (HMA) Employment Land Study forecast a very low level of employment growth for Melton, a 300 jobs net increase over 2010-2031, a 1.3 percent change on 2010. In part this reflects a drop in employment from 2012, which is not fully reversed until 2031. An employment decrease of this severity and duration is not forecast for any of the other local authority areas of Leicester and Leicestershire.

2.46 This is a far lower rate of growth than is forecast for any other local authority area in Leicester and Leicestershire."

The majority of employment for occupants of new housing in the Melton borough is likely to be largely located outside the borough, leading to many more car journeys. This would not therefore be sustainable development.

11.44 Discussions with the adjoining local authorities of Leicestershire, Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire, along with Rutland, indicate they all have sufficient land allocations (both existing and proposed) to meet projected needs. Therefore there is no immediate need for Melton to provide additional land.

*Please note: Your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence necessary and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and suggested change, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations based on this original representation.*

*After this stage, further submissions will only be at the request of the Inspector based on the matters and issues they identify at the examination.*

8. 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 tick the appropriate box)

Written Representations

Participate at the Oral Examination

9. If you wish to speak at the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

*Please note: The Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination.*

### PART C: WHO YOU REPRESENT

To help us collate the responses to this consultation, we would be grateful if you could tell us which category best describes who you are representing (Please tick the appropriate box)

Melton Borough Resident	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Planning Agent/Planning Consultant	<input type="checkbox"/>
Developer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Utility/Service Provider	<input type="checkbox"/>
Government Organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amenity Group	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Residents Group	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business	<input type="checkbox"/>	Town/Parish Council	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (Please state)	<input type="text"/>		

Do you want to have further involvement in the Melton Local Plan? (Please tick the appropriate boxes)

If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided in Part A when the Melton Local Plan is submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided in Part A when the Inspector's Report is available to view	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided in Part A when the Melton Local Plan is adopted	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you/your organisation wish to be included in future consultations on the Melton Local Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you/your organisation do not wish to be included in future consultations on the Melton Local Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>

Thank you for taking the time to submit representations on the Melton Local Plan: Pre Submission Draft (November 2016). It should be noted that representations cannot be treated as confidential.