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Submitted to **Melton Local Plan Pre-Submission Draft**

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About you

1 What is your name?

Name:

Nick Sandford

2 What is your email address?

Email:

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3 Are you responding as an individual, consultee, stakeholder or other?

Stakeholder

If **Consultee, Stakeholder, or Other**, please give details here. :

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4 Address

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5 Age

Please select your age:

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Policy EN2 – Biodiversity and Geodiversity

1 CH7PEN2Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN2 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Yes

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

Yes

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Complies with Duty to Co-operate:

Yes

2 CH7PEN2Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?

3 CH7PEN2Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN2 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 Policy EN2 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

Please insert text here. :

We welcome the strong protection given to ancient woodland and ancient and veteran trees in Policy EN2

4 CH7PEN2Q4: Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Melton Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified at 2 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 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.

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n/a

Policy EN3 – The Melton Green Infrastructure Network

1 CH7PEN3Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN3 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Yes

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

Yes

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Complies with Duty to Co-operate:

Yes

2 CH7PEN3Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?

3 CH7PEN3Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN3 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 Policy EN3 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

Please insert text here. :

We support the approach to maintaining and extending Melton's green infrastructure network which is outlined in this policy. The policy and supporting text sets out the wide range of benefits which can be provided by green infrastructure, of which trees and woodland are a key component.

We particularly welcome your intention to use the Woodland Trust's Access to Woodland Standard as a means of calculating the amount of new woodland which may be required. Please contact us if you would like to discuss the implications of the access standard in more detail or if you would like to work with us and/or private developers on delivery of the new woodland.

Although street trees are not included in the access to woodland standard, it is important to bear in mind that they can also be important in providing benefits to local people as part of new development.

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Examination

1 EXQ1: 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?

Written Representations

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

n/a

2 EXQ2: Moreover please indicate if you wish to continue to be involved in the Local Plan (Please tick appropriate boxes).

If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided when the Melton Local Plan is submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government, If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided when the Inspector's Report is available to view, If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided in Part A when the Melton Local Plan is adopted, If you/your organisation wish to be included in future consultations on the Melton Local Plan

Acknowledgement

1 I understand the above statement and agree I have complied with its requirements

I agree