



MELTON LOCAL PLAN – PRE SUBMISSION DRAFT (NOVEMBER 2016)

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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'.

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.

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

Planning Policy Team
Regulatory Services
Melton Borough Council
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Melton Mowbray
Leicestershire
LE13 1GH

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
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
Full Name: Michael Stocks
Organisation (if applicable)
Address:
Postcode:
Email:
Contact Number:

2. Agent's Details (If applicable)
Full Name & Company:
Organisation/Client Representations on Behalf Of
Address:
Postcode:
Email:
Contact Number:

Number of Representations Enclosed:

1

Signature:

[Redacted Signature]

Date:

December 18th 2016

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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)

Government policy regarding wind farm development since June 18th 2015 of which the Council are aware (Letter to Councillor Simpson from Gavin Barwell MP, Minister of State for Housing and Planning and Minister for London, dated August 26th 2016) clearly states that the duty of Councils to reflect the wishes of local people when granting planning permission for wind turbines. The letter also clearly refers to these obligations for Councils when drafting Local Plans including the allocation of sites for example, future wind farms. The action of Melton Borough Council in drafting this local plan in allocating sites for wind turbines CLEARLY goes against this policy.

The Council are consulting on the Local Plan, and NOT the allocation of specific areas for wind turbines. I believe that they are clearly trying to push this through without seeking the specific consent and views of local people. This is clearly against national policy and therefore not legally compliant, sound or the duty to cooperate. The Council are clearly not cooperating with national policy or the wishes of local people by including this paragraph. It is apparent that the opinion against recent wind farm proposals was clear, with extensive local opposition. I therefore propose the question - what right do the Council have to go against this in the Local Plan?

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)

The Council should remove any reference to identified sites for wind farms in its local plan. There should be no identification of landscape areas in policy EN10 and references to areas identified as sites for wind turbines such as LCU8 should be COMPLETELY REMOVED from the Local Plan before adoption.

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)

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| 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

If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided in Part A 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

If you/your organisation **do not** wish to be included in future consultations on the Melton Local Plan

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.