

# Response ID ANON-MWX6-MJEF-M

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## Introduction

### Definitions

### About you

What is your name?

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What is your organisation? (if relevant)

Organisation:  
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What is your Job Title/Role (if relevant)

Job title/role:  
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Are you making a submission on behalf of someone else?

Yes

If you are submitting on behalf of someone else, please provide details:

Name (on behalf of):  
Organisation (on behalf of):  
Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland - Integrated Care Board

### About you (equalities questions)

Please provide the first 5 digits of your Postcode (for example LE13 1).

Enter the first 5 digits of your postcode:  
[REDACTED]

Gender: How do you identify?

[REDACTED]

If self-describe, please state :

Would you describe yourself as transgender?

[REDACTED]

What is your sexual orientation?

[REDACTED]

If other, please state:

What is your age?

[REDACTED]

Do you consider yourself to have a health problem or a disability which has lasted, or is expected to last at least 12 months?

■  
If you selected other, please state:

What is your ethnic origin?

Please describe your ethnicity and race:  
■

What is your religion?  
■

Please state your religion:

## Vision and objectives

Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 1: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 1 - Option 1: No change:

Question 1 - Option 2: Refocused and simplified version [preferred option]:  
Somewhat agree

Question 2: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this section

Please, provide further context:

'There will be improved connectivity and ease of movement within and across the town, and to and from the nearby larger centres of Leicester, Loughborough, Nottingham and Grantham and the Borough's many villages.' - There is no reference to LUF investment which is significant or local transport between Melton and Rutland. This should improve access between the two areas.

'New homes suitable for first time buyers, young families and those on lower incomes' - There is significant growth in OP and some decline in some younger age bands - There is no acknowledgment of this cohort, link back to wider determinants of health.

'Ensures that people benefit from having better access to key services and facilities to create strong, healthy, safer communities' - Access to healthcare should potentially be more specific given the issues around rurality and digital in the local area??

'These seven key issues provide us with a good starting point to seek further community feedback on.' - There is no clear focus on wider determinants of health and prevention through good homes to keep people well eg OP. Perhaps reflect CHWP vision for prevention somewhere.

Question 3: What do you think are the most important objectives to be covered by our Vision? Please select your top 3

Question 3 - Improving facilities for all of the community and providing the new infrastructure needed to support our growing population:  
1

Question 3 - Addressing the causes and effects of climate change:

Question 3 - Ensure local housing meets the local communities current and future needs:  
3

Question 3 - Supporting a diverse, competitive and innovative rural economy:

Question 3 - Enhancing Melton Mowbray's town centre:

Question 3 - Promoting high quality and well-designed development to help create healthy, sustainable and safe communities:  
2

Question 3 - Enhancing nature and minimising harm to the natural environment:

Question 3 - Other (please specify below):

Please, provide further context:

## Policy SS1. Presumption in favour of Sustainable Development

Policy SS1: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 4: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 4 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 4 - Option 2: Amend the policy [preferred option]:

Question 5: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

### Policy SS3. Sustainable Communities (unallocated sites)

Policy SS3: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 6: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 6 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 6 - Option 2: Review the policy to better define meeting local need:

Question 6 - Option 3: Review the policy to enhance wider sustainability [preferred option]:

Question 7: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

Question 8: Under what circumstances do you think new homes in the borough's smallest and least sustainable settlements are justified?

Please, provide further context:

Question 9: Do you think criteria should be introduced to require homes built in the borough's smallest and least sustainable settlements to be built to the highest sustainability standards? If yes, what types of criteria do you think the policy should consider?

Please, provide further context:

### Policy C2. Housing Mix

Policy C2: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 16: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 16 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 16 - Option 2: Amend the policy [preferred option]:

Somewhat agree

Question 17: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy Please, provide further context

Please, provide further context:

'Residential developments which include bungalows will be particularly supported.' - Very positive but this does not seem to be reflected earlier in vision around dwelling for OP.

Rather than 'bungalow' as a term, perhaps this is 'disability-friendly, wheelchair accessible properties'.

'Proposals for retirement homes, sheltered homes and care homes will be supported and encouraged to meet the technical standard for access of Building Regulations 2015 Part M4(2) or any subsequent revisions.' - Where does PH Healthy Design Principles come in, do we want to reference to this as has links to wider determinants? The Building Regs are sufficient, and this would support LA Extra Care (and alike), but the council can and should seek to influence private sector developers to consider disabilities in their housing provision.

### Policy C3. National Space Standard and Smaller Dwellings

Policy C3: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 18: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 18 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 18 - Option 2: Amend the policy [preferred option]:

Strongly agree

Question 19: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

There is no reference to Healthy places policy and Health Design Principles can this be alluded to or mentioned to support appropriate local housing links to eg Frailty, OP, own or nearby green space - link in with Public Health to include appropriate reference?

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## Policy C7. Rural Services

Policy C7: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 22: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 22 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 22 - Option 2: Amend the policy [preferred option]:

Somewhat agree

Question 23: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

'Support will be given to proposals and activities that protect, retain or enhance existing community services and facilities\* or that lead to the provision of additional assets that improve community cohesion and well-being to encourage sustainable development.' - What about new/future healthcare use to combat rural access which is a known issue? It should not be an afterthought but more an upfront

What about new/future healthcare facilities use to combat rural access which is a known issue? It should not be an afterthought but more an upfront. Melton may think that Community services includes healthcare but I think we need to be more explicit to the population as we did in Rutland??

## Policy C9. Healthy Communities

Policy C9: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 26: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 26 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 26 - Option 2: Revise the policy but also make health and wellbeing a key thread that runs throughout the entire plan [preferred option]:

Strongly agree

Question 27: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

The policy needs to reflect the themes within the Community Health and Wellbeing Plan and the areas that need enabling. Also is there something to be added around Housing due regard for the Armed Forces Community given the % of Veterans and proximity to Kendrew Barracks.

Question 28: Do you think the Local Plan should require Health Impact Assessments for large scale developments?

Yes

Question 29: If you answered 'yes' to question 28, what size and types of development do you think should require them and why?

Please, provide further context:

All Developments of 10 or more perhaps as this will ensure that there is a consistency across the major impact areas for Health.

## Policy EC5. Melton Mowbray Town Centre

Policy EC5: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 41: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 41 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 41 - Option 2: Update and incorporate elements of the Town Centre Vision [preferred option]:

Question 42: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

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## Policy EN5. Local Green Spaces

Policy EN5: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 53: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 53 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 53 - Option 2: Incorporate Green Belt criteria:

Question 53 - Option 3: Designate additional Local Green Spaces:

Neither agree nor disagree

Question 54: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

Is there a link in with HWB around physical activity? or should we just capture earlier in Healthcare specific section.

Question 55: If you wish to propose a new area for Local Green Space, please send a map and supporting information to [planningpolicy@melton.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@melton.gov.uk) and add a note in this section

Please, provide further context:

## Policy EN7. Open Space, Sport and Recreation

Policy EN7: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 56: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 56 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 56 - Option 2: Update the policy, particularly the standards [preferred option]:

Strongly agree

Question 57: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

There is a clearly identified need around Physical Activity in the Borough within the Community Health and Wellbeing Plan - links to prevention and LTCs - this should also be a reference.

## Policy EN8. Climate Change

Policy EN8: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 58: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 58 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 58 - Option 2: Delete the policy, and make climate change a 'core thread' that runs throughout the entire plan:

Question 58 - Option 3: Retain but update policy EN8 and make climate change a core thread that runs throughout the entire plan [preferred option]:

Somewhat agree

Question 59: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

Climate Change is a health emergency as described by the World Health Organisation.

## Policy IN1. Melton Mowbray Transport Strategy

Policy IN1: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 68: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 68 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 68 - Option 2: Reflect the latest position in the policy [preferred option]:  
Strongly agree

Question 69: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

Update to reflect needs for better mobility around the borough to access healthcare and also in and out of the borough as needed to nearby healthcare given the no acute facility.

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## Policy IN2. Transport, Accessibility and Parking

Policy IN2: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 70: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 70 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 70 - Option 2: Amend policy wording to align with national and local guidance [preferred option]:  
Strongly agree

Question 71: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

## Policy IN4. Broadband

Policy IN4: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 72: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 72 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 72 - Option 2: Amend policy [preferred option]:  
Strongly agree

Question 73: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

All dwellings is imperative given the rurality and need for Digital access to health and wellbeing services - including support for isolation, OP in digitally excluded areas and general access to digital services for more of the community. Melton is a high risk area for Digital Exclusion for over 65s.

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## Equalities Impact

Question 80: Do you have any views on the potential impact of the proposals raised in this consultation on people with protected characteristics as defined in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010?

Unsure

Question 81: If you responded 'yes'/'unsure' to question 80, please provide your reasons and whether there is anything that you think could be done to mitigate any impacts identified

Please, provide further context:

There are statutory duties for the local authority to give due regard to the Armed Forces in respect of housing.

Melton has the second highest concentration of veterans across Leicestershire and Rutland.

So although not a 'protected characteristic', issue of armed forces does not seem to appear within the document.