

## APPENDIX 1 (c)

## FOCUSED CHANGES RESPONSES TO REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED: Focused Change 3

Representor Name	Focused Change/ Policy Ref	Summary of Representation	MBC Response
RHB Ranns for Croxton Kerrial and Branston Parish Council	FC3/4.7.6	Not reasonable to include unknown and unquantified allowances for unmet requirements. The data is available to produce a finite figure, which has not been done. There are no declared unmet needs within the HMA currently.	The data is not available yet. The apportionment of unmet needs from elsewhere in the HMA (as yet unquantified amounts from Leicester City and Oadby & Wigston) is being done through the Strategic Growth Plan.
Shout 4 Residents	FC3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What about employment in the area, has this been taken in to account?</li> <li>• Wages to be looked at in terms of affording to live here</li> </ul>	Jobs and employment, and the affordability of housing have been considered in several studies in the published evidence base on www.meltonplan.co.uk. The amount of new housing being planned for in Melton is to meet the economic growth aspirations of the Borough. More people will be needed to allow existing businesses to grow and to encourage new ones to start up or relocate here.
Sue Green HBF	FC3/SS6	Seek a policy commitment to an early review. Current proposals linked to a non stat document, the Strategic Growth Plan. MLP not addressing unmet housing needs within a specified timescale. Suggest including a policy to commit to collaboratively work with the Leicester & Leicestershire HMA authorities to establish the scale and distribution of unmet needs to be accommodated within Melton and to commence a review of the Local Plan within 12 months of adoption to be submitted for examination within two years from commencement of the review. In the event that the reviewed Plan is not submitted for examination then the adopted Local Plan would be deemed out of date.	The Council is satisfied that its local plan review mechanism is appropriate. MBC is already working collaboratively with HMA authorities as suggested, and the L&L authorities and the LEP are committed to finalising the SGP in 2018.
Michelle Galloway (obo Wilson Enterprises)	FC3	Focussed Change FC3 – Growth Strategy Support for the specification of a timetable for the review of the Local Plan linked to the adoption of the SGP. Support for the inclusion of ‘Dalby Airfield’ as one of the options referred to in Policy SS6.	Support Noted
Phill Bamford (Gladman)	FC3, SS6	Policy SS6 is not sufficiently precise – its review mechanism should contains a start date, an end date that is in the control of the Local Planning Authority and set out the consequences of failing to meet the target date. Must reference SGP. Suggested policy provided, which reflects that proposed at the NW Leicestershire LP Examination.	The focused change did not include any changes to Policy SS6. The Inspector’s Report on the NW Leics examination is awaited at time of writing, so soundness of approach not yet established. However the reasoned justification included a clear intent to undertake a review within a specified timetable, i.e “within 12 months of any adoption by the Council of the Strategic Growth Plan”.
Martin Herbert (obo Hill Family) Brown & Co (Martin Herbert)	FC3, SS6	It would be expedient to await the finalised Strategic Growth Plan before finalising the growth levels in this plan. As is, suggest that any different scale and distribution suggested by the SGP should trigger a review, not just a significantly different one.	The evidence background for local plan preparation is constantly changing, but LPAs are urged by Government to get an up to date plan in place as soon as possible, with potential adverse consequences if they don’t. The MLP preparation programme is a pragmatic balance between these two realities.
Michelle Galloway (obo Wilson Enterprises)	FC3, Sn 4.7, Policy SS6	Relates to land interest at Dalby Airfield. Support changes. Continue to support Policy SS6.	Support Noted
Laurence Holmes (obo NMLC)	SS6	Reaffirm support for early plan review mechanism.	Noted and Welcomed
Laurence Holmes (obo Richborough Estates & LCC) (ANON-7VBY-7HEF-J)	FC3	Policy SS6 – Alternative Development Strategies and Local Plan Review: The Developers reaffirm their support for an early plan review mechanism to ensure that housing delivery, in order to meet the Borough’s objectively assessed housing need, is not constrained.	Support noted.

Charnwood Borough Council	FC3	Disappointed to find that the changes do not removal some of the specific sites in Policy SS6 and the supporting text that do not reflect the development strategy identified in Policy SS2 or the sustainability appraisal of the reasonable alternative options. The site at Six Hills is of particular concern to Charnwood Borough for a number of reasons cited, including traffic impact of major growth in the Wolds and on villages in Charnwood, with limited opportunities to mitigate where crossings of the River Soar and Midland Mainline are needed.	The focused changes to FC3 were to do with making references to up to date evidence. The Council has not changed its position on the remaining content of the policy.
Mr J Warwick	4.7.6	Meeting unmet housing needs from elsewhere should be kept as low as possible and a limit set. Consideration should also be given to the impact of Brexit on future housing demand	National planning policy requires the Council to boost significantly the supply of housing, and to co-operate with other local authorities in the Leicester and Leicestershire Housing Market Area to meet the housing needs of the HMA as a whole. Up to date evidence informs the proposed housing requirement. Policy SS6 allows for review of the plan should identified needs change.
Martin Lusty, WOTWTA NP Group	FC3	Support	Noted
Susan Love	4.7.6	Housing should be at level set out in HEDNA. Is it reasonable to plan for significant housing growth given Brexit and high levels of personal debt?	The HEDNA is the objectively assessed housing need. The housing requirement takes account of national and local planning policy objectives. The reasons for the uplift are set out in the Council paper of 4th July 2017.