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**Chapter 1: Introduction** 

1 CH1Q1: Do you consider that Chapter 1 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH1Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
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# Chapter 2 - Melton Borough Today - A Portrait

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# **Chapter 3: Vision and Strategic Priorities**

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- 2 CH3Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
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I have made separate representation on the following paragraphs / policies of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan: -

Paragraph 4.2.5

Paragraph 4.2.7

Paragraph 4.2.4

Paragraph 4.2.15

Paragraph 4.2.18

Paragraph 4.2.20

Paragraph 4.2.13

Paragraph 4.2.14

Policy SS2 - Development Strategy

Paragraph 5.4.6 (Appendix 1)

Paragraph 8.3.3

Paragraph 8.3.6

Policy IN1 - Transport & Strategic Transport Infrastructure

Paragraph 6.9.3

Policy EN1 - Landscape

Paragraph 7.2.1

Paragraph 7.2.2

Paragraph 7.22.1

Paragraph 7.22.2

Policy EN11 - Mminimising the Risk of Flooding

Policy EN13 - Heritage Assets

Paragraph 8.5.3

In so doing I do not believe that the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan in application to Gaddesby village, is consistent with its own strategic objectives, as set out in paragraph 3.3.4. Of the 25 objectives outlined, few, if any, support the proposed housing allocation at Gaddesby. Of the housing objectives 1 may arguably apply, 2 arguably does not. None of the 'Jobs and Prosperity Objectives' (numbers 3-8) are fulfilled by the Gaddesby housing allocation. Neither of the 'Accessibility and Transport Objectives' (numbers 9 and 10) are fulfilled by the Gaddesby housing allocation, the reverse is actually true in respect of number 9

i.e. car usage will increase whilst public transport access is not improved. None of the 'Community Development Objectives' (numbers 12-15) are fulfilled by the Gaddesby housing allocation. Of the 'Environment Objectives', it is not clear how numbers 16, 22, 23, 24 and 25 would be fulfilled by the Gaddesby housing allocation, all other environment objectives would not. Again, the reverse is actually true for numbers 17, 18, 19 and 20. On this basis I do not regard the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan in application to Gaddesby to be justified.

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# Chapter 4: Growing Melton Borough - The Spatial Strategy

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Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

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- 2 CH4Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 2) Justified
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Paragraph 4.2.20 states 'figures have been calculated identifying the number of new dwellings to be provided in each settlement based on existing population size. This figure has been amended to take into account dwellings that have been completed or are under construction since the beginning of the planning period in 2011, and to allow for those dwellings on small sites with an extant planning permission which are yet to be started'. This methodology sees an exclusion of 11 houses for Gaddesby, the difference between Tables 4 and 5 on page 32 of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan. It is not clear what / where these 11 houses are. The 14 houses proposed at GADD1 (Policy C1A – Housing Allocations, p55) already have approved planning permission (planning application ref. 15/00361/OUT), so these should actually be the difference between tables 4 and 5 (or at least included in this number), resulting in an allocation in Table 5 of a maximum 41 (though likely to be less). It is further unclear where the 5 houses feature which have been granted permission on Ashby Road (12/00530/FUL) and the one further dwelling at the Hall in the village (15/00826/FUL). There is potential for Gaddesby to be allocated a baseline of 67 houses (55+6+5+1), notwithstanding any further allocation under Policy SS3 (Sustainable Communities (unallocated sites) which allows for small scale development of up to 5 dwellings in Rural Hubs, plus its allocation of the 15% 'windfall' houses numbering 322 over the life of the Melton Plan refer to 4.2.13 and 4.2.14). A methodology for allocating the 322 'windfall' houses across the villages is not presented in the Plan, but applying the same 3% of population for Gaddesby as per Table 4 (p32), would result in an additional 10 houses (rounded up to the nearest whole number). In total that would be an increase of circa 82 houses, in a village with currently 138 residences, an increase of 59.4%. This increase in housing is not matched by a corresponding increase in facilities and infrastructure,

Paragraph 4.2.18 states 'Information on population has been compiled and an estimate of the number of households in each settlement has been calculated. This allows a clear idea of the size of settlements, with the general approach that development should be commensurate with existing settlement size'. 4.2.21 identifies 5 villages (Asfordby, Hose, Scalford, Stathern and Great Dalby) however, that do not have capacity to take their share of the 162 residual requirement. Distribution of this 162 across the remaining villages inherently means that some villages will be taking a disproportionate share compared to others.

The methodology of converting current population estimate to actual number of dwellings is also not clear and transparent; the assumptions made here need to be fully understood.

For the village of Gaddesby with currently 138 residences, a further increase of 61 houses (taking in to account the deduction of 11 houses completed, under construction or small sites with extant planning permission) would increase the size of the village by 44%. This increase in housing is not matched by a corresponding increase in facilities and infrastructure, nor reflecting the lack of current facilities, making a development of this size unviable. A methodology based purely on allocation through population estimate and not existing or required facilities to support that level of housing is flawed.

Paragraph 4.2.15 states 'it is proposed to allocate housing development within the Service Centres and Rural Hubs on the basis of the existing settlement size. This is considered to be an inherently 'fair' and proportionate approach to allocation and will encourage growth in communities that is at a comparable rate, commensurate to their existing size'. 4.2.21 identifies 5 villages (Asfordby, Hose, Scalford, Stathern and Great Dalby) however, that do not have capacity to take their share of the 162 residual requirement. Distribution of this 162 across the remaining villages inherently means that some villages will be taking a disproportionate share compared to others.

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Paragraph 4.2.14 suggests an overall allowance for 'windfall' development of 15% of the total, allocated to Service Centres, Rural Hubs and Rural Settlements (322 houses). A methodology for allocating the 322 'windfall' houses across the villages is not presented in the Plan, but applying the same 3% of population for Gaddesby as per Table 4 (p32), would result in an additional 10 houses (rounded up to the nearest whole number). Between the years of 1994 and 2014, 15 houses were added to the village of Gaddesby (refer to 'Melton Local Plan Settlement Roles, Relationships and Opportunities Report April 2015 - Appendix 2'). At an average natural growth rate of 0.75 houses per annum, this would actually suggest a further 17 houses (rounded up to the nearest whole number) in Gaddesby for the remaining 22 years of the Melton Plan period (2014 – 2036). The point is that Gaddesby would contribute a greater proportion through 'windfall' houses than is intimated through the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan. Based on an under estimation of the contribution of windfall, the housing allocation to Gaddesby is overestimated in turn. I object to Paragraph 4.2.13 in that the methodology for housing allocation in Gaddesby is incoherent, misleading and flawed.

Paragraph 4.2.13 suggests an overall allowance for 'windfall' development of 10% (522 houses), with 15% of this total allocated to Service Centres, Rural Hubs and Rural Settlements (322 houses). A methodology for allocating the 322 'windfall' houses across the villages is not presented in the Plan, but applying the same 3% of population for Gaddesby as per Table 4 (p32), would result in an additional 10 houses (rounded up to the nearest whole number). Between the years of 1994 and 2014, 15 houses were added to the village of Gaddesby (refer to 'Melton Local Plan Settlement Roles, Relationships and Opportunities Report April 2015 - Appendix 2'). At an average natural growth rate of 0.75 houses per annum, this would actually suggest a further 17 houses (rounded up to the nearest whole number) in Gaddesby for the remaining 22 years of the Melton Plan period (2014 – 2036). The point is that Gaddesby would contribute a greater proportion through 'windfall' houses than is intimated through the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan. Based on an under estimation of the contribution of windfall, the housing allocation to Gaddesby is overestimated in turn. I object to Paragraph 4.2.13 in that the methodology for housing allocation in Gaddesby is incoherent, misleading and flawed.

Paragraph 4.2.4 sets out the four 'essential criteria' for identifying settlements relating to service and facility provision, as follows: -

- 1. primary school;
- 2. access to employment opportunities;
- 3. fast broadband; and
- 4. a community building.

Paragraph 4.2.5 states that 'The essential criteria have been used to distinguish between the proposed Service Centres and Rural Hubs. A Service Centre must have all 4 of the essential criteria, whilst Rural Hubs must have at least 3 out of 4, with one of those being a primary school'. Paragraph 4.2.7 identifies Gaddesby as a Rural Hub.

Gaddesby village does not qualify for the Rural Hub status that it has been allocated, as it does not fulfill at least 3 of the 4 essential criteria. Gaddesby on this basis should be considered as a rural settlement only. In respect of the 4 essential criteria in application to Gaddesby, my comments are as follows: -

Primary school – Gaddesby does have a primary school. The school increased its intake of children from 15 per year to 25 per year in 2014 but with places in these years all filled, Years 1,2 and Reception are already at capacity. Within 4 years the school will be at total capacity. Filling places moreover is unlikely to be difficult, given the size of the catchment area (including Barsby, South Croxton, Ashby Folville and almost to Queniborough). This is acknowledged in Appendix 1 (p24) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan, which states 'The Primary School is currently has capacity for 210 students, with 78 spare, decreasing yearly until 2020 when projections indicate it is expected to be close to capacity'. Whilst Gaddesby nominally complies with this first essential criteria in that is physically has a primary school, in practical terms it does not comply if there are not the school places available for the duration of the Melton Local Plan. A primary school can only fulfill the essential criteria if it can actually accept an intake of children.

Access to employment opportunities - Gaddesby has extremely limited employment opportunities, these being restricted to the two employers in the village, the primary school and The Cheney Arms public house. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan does not make any reference to the creation of employment opportunities within Gaddesby nor the infrastructural requirements to facilitate employment opportunities. In contradiction to this essential criteria, paragraph 6.9.3 in the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan actually states that 'The Local Plan policy does not allocate specific sites in the rural areas' (for additional employment growth). Appendix 1 (p24) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan further acknowledges that 'the closest employment areas are in Melton Mowbray (over 7km). To facilitate access to employment opportunities, Appendix 1 acknowledges existence of a bus service throughout the week (Centrebus 100 between Leicester and Melton Mowbray), though goes on to state 'However its frequency (every two hours) and the lack of service on Sundays and Bank Holidays should be taken into account when the service is considered with regards to Gaddesby's sustainability (i.e. for accessing Employment as mentioned in the point above)'. The suggestion that the Centrebus100 week day service can be used to facilitate access to employment opportunity is also highly questionable. Gaddesby is the closest settlement in the Melton borough to Leicester and it is there that most people go to work. The only suitable bus to Leicester leaves Gaddesby at 07.49am and the last bus leaves Leicester at 17.10pm; this service is not conducive to attending full-time employment in Leicester.

Fast broadband - Gaddesby's phone exchange has been 'upgraded' in 2016 as part of the "Super-fast" Leicestershire programme. It has added support for Fibre to the Cabinet broadband. There isn't a lot of choice of provider; the majority of residents are using BT. This broadband service is sold as "up to" 56Mbps download speed, which is more than adequate for an average modern home. The actual delivered speed was tested at the time of making these representations and confirmed as 20Mbps, or 35.7% of the advertised maximum, which is the same as the pre-upgrade ADSL offering. Although there is fibre optic to the exchange there is none from the exchange. Gaddesby cannot be considered to comply with this essential criteria on this basis. Given this failure to perform under the existing load of the village and surrounding areas, any additional load (resulting from housing allocation) is likely to deteriorate the service further. Many existing residents have not yet upgraded to fibre broadband either, which would increase the load further. In the neighbouring Village of Queniborough, the

broadband speeds can be over double the delivered speed in Gaddesby. Super "fast" broadband in Gaddesby is barely effective. Evidence of a poor broadband service further contradicts paragraph 6.9.4 in the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan ('increased homeworking and small business start-ups are anticipated over the plan period, particularly in light of improvements in broadband speeds') and provides further evidence in support of lack of access to employment opportunities outlined above.

A community building – Gaddesby has a village hall and fulfils this essential criteria.

Gaddesby only fulfils one of the four criteria to qualify it as a Rural Hub. Table 2 in the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan suggests 'Rural Hubs are a village or a group of villages which share a range of essential and important local services which serve the basic needs of people living within them and in nearby settlements, which can be accessed by cycling and walking...These villages will have 3 out of the 4 essential services...and a range of other facilities, or easy access to them, in nearby settlements'. Gaddesby does not share local services / a range of other facilities with nearby settlements and nearby settlements cannot be accessed by cycling or walking due to distance.

Paragraph 4.2.4 outlines the services considered within the annual 'audit of village services by Melton Borough Council, as follows: -

- education facilities (nursery and primary school and secondary school)
- local shops, post offices and petrol stations / garages
- health care facilities (general medical practice, dentist and pharmacy)
- community facilities (village hall, public house, library, sport and leisure groups and places of worship)
- transport facilities (a regular 6 day a week bus service)
- opportunities of employment in other businesses
- allotments

Of the above list, Gaddesby only has a primary school, a village hall, a public house and a church, further emphasising its existence as a rural settlement only and not a Rural Hub.

Paragraph 4.2.4 states that 'The roles of the town and villages in the Borough were reviewed following the Emerging Options consultation, and a revised approach adopted'. In the first iteration of the Melton Local Plan, Gaddesby was classified as a 'Rural Supporter', in the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan the village has been upscaled to become a Rural Hub. A rural supporter was identified in the Melton Local Plan Settlement Roles and Relationships of April 2015 (MLPSRR) by a clear scoring methodology based on 42 criteria, with role and function of settlements and role and spatial analysis. The scoring criteria used was much more extensive and sophisticated, in comparison to the four criteria only used in the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan (4.2.4), which appear to be much more of a blunt tool in evaluating village classification. Scoring only 12 points, Gaddesby was very much at the lower end of the rural supporter range of 10 to 20. Moreover, the previous rural supporter classification could now be argued to be over estimated, skewed by the availability of a regular bus service, which has since been drastically reduced. Reflecting the deterioration in the bus service provided, Gaddesby is akin to a rural settlement only. Gaddesby compares in size and facilities with its neighbour Ashby Folville, yet Gaddesby is classified as a Rural Hub but Ashby Folville as a rural settlement. My objection to paragraph 4.2.4 is that the change in classification between iterations of the Melton Plan is not clear and transparent, no clear reasoning is presented as to the re-classification of Gaddesby. The scoring is furthermore inconsistent at best, with similar villages being classified entirely differently.

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# Policy SS1 - Presumption in favour of Sustainable Development

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### Policy SS2 – Development Strategy

1 CH4PSS2Q1: Do you consider that Policy SS2 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

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

- 2 CH4PSS2Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 1) Positively Prepared, 2) Justified
- 3 CH4PSS2Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy SS2 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 SS2 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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It is my understanding that a housing needs survey / Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) for Gaddesby is due to be carried out by Melton Borough Council in early 2017. I do not believe that a housing allocation can be proposed for Gaddesby in the absence of a housing needs survey to inform it. I would draw your attention to the following specific examples of findings of 'unsoundness' by the Planning Inspectorate, whereby up to date SHMAs were absent: -

- North West Leicestershire District Council, Inspector Michael Hetherington. Plan withdrawn following exploratory meeting 25 September 2013
- East Devon District Council, Inspector Anthony Thickett, Inspector's report 03 April 2014
- Charnwood Borough Council, Inspector Kevin Ward, Examination suspended following initial hearing sessions 19-20 March 2014
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Policy SS3 - Sustainable Communities (unallocated sites)

1 CH4PSS3Q1: Do you consider that Policy SS3 is?

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Policy SS4 – South Melton Mowbray Sustainable Neighbourhood (Strategic Development Location)

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### Policy SS5 - Melton Mowbray North Sustainable Neighbourhood

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Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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# Policy SS6 - Alternative Development Strategies and Local Plan Review

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- 2 CH4SS6Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
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Chapter 5: Melton's Communities - Strong, Healthy and Vibrant

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Paragraph states 'Appendix 1 comprises a 'settlement-by-settlement' approach, including bespoke policies for each settlement to reflect its circumstances and the individual requirements of sites. For example, policies may be required in some locations that allow sites to progress only once infrastructure issues have been resolved, and sites may have critical design and layout requirements that need to be addressed for them to be regarded as 'suitable'. For all of the following points below, the housing allocation proposal for Gaddesby village has fundamentally failed to take account of required infrastructure and critical design and layout requirements, nor adequately planned for these, rendering the proposal unviable: -

Previous Assessments: GADD2 (Policy C1A – Housing Allocations, p55) was the subject of an SHLAA assessment, MBC/016/13. The site was assessed and rejected as being undeliverable and undevelopable in 2013, no further site assessment has been carried out. GADD3 (Policy C1A – Housing Allocations, p55) was the subject of an SHLAA assessment, MBC/017/13. The site was assessed and rejected as being undeliverable and undevelopable in 2013, no further site assessment has been carried out. Failure to subsequently reassess these sites and / or to consider alternatives constitutes a fundamental failing in planning process.

Highways (GADD1, GADD2, GADD3) – The four supply roads in to Gaddesby village (Gaddesby Lane, Rotherby Lane, Pasture Lane and Ashby Lane) are consistent with a rural settlement only. Gaddesby Lane is the main access road for the village, connecting it and other through traffic to the A607. The road has a number of tight turns, practically no street lighting and very few pavements until the village is reached, where there is a pavement on one side only. Insufficient parking for the number of patrons of The Cheney Arms public house mean that the road is commonly reduced to a single lane at this point due to parked vehicles (a scenario that continues up Main Street). Drivers frequently speed along Gaddesby Lane, past GADD01 which continues on to Ashby Road. Ashby Road continues on to the village of Ashby Folville, exiting Gaddesby past the Primary School, which serves both villages and the proposed site of the GADD02 site. Traffic is bad during peak periods due to insufficient parking at the school. Rotherby Lane to the north of the village, by the GADD03 site connects to the A607; this is a single width road for much of its length. It is not lit and comprises of many tight corners. Many residents of the village avoid using it for these reasons. Pasture Lane starts by the GADD03 site at a junction with Rotherby Lane, it connects to the A607 close to Melton Mowbray, 4 miles from Gaddesby Village. It is unlit and has a number of tricky corners. It is not uncommon to meet oncoming traffic on the wrong side of the road, or going faster than the road should safely allow.

5.11.2 outlines the services considered within the annual 'audit of village services by Melton Borough Council, as follows: -

- education facilities (nursery and primary school and secondary school)
- local shops, post offices and petrol stations / garages
- health care facilities (general medical practice, dentist and pharmacy)
- community facilities (village hall, public house, library, sport and leisure groups and places of worship)
- transport facilities (a regular 6 day a week bus service)
- opportunities of employment in other businesses
- allotments

Of the above list, Gaddesby only has a primary school, a village hall, a public house and a church, further emphasising its existence as a rural settlement only and not a Rural Hub.

All of these four connecting roads are popular with large groups of cyclists, horse riders and slow moving farm machinery, which creates further hazards and traffic restrictions. All four roads have a weight limit of only 7.5 tonnes, further emphasising their low capacity. The village relies on these fours access points for all transportation and already suffers with volumes of traffic at peak times. A housing allocation of 61 houses would inevitably bring additional vehicles, given the

lack of effective public transportation. It is not unreasonable to assume a further two cars per household, totalling 122 additional vehicles. This represents a huge increase for a small rural settlement. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan makes absolutely no commitment for infrastructural improvements in this regard.

Gaddesby Lane connects to the A607, already a very busy road which links through to the A46. Both these roads are already over capacity. It is not unusual in the early morning to be queuing from Syston / Queniborough / East Goscote all the way to the A46 (referred to locally as the 'Hobby Horse Roundabout'). The junction between Gaddesby Lane and the A607 is very dangerous and one sometimes has to wait minutes to join the main road.

Highways (specific to GADD2) - The Site is opposite the newly expanded primary school and the village hall. At school drop off and collection times, cars are parked nose to tail along that side of Ashby Road making the road all but impassable and impossible for those trying to emerge from the site. The village hall is occupied every weekday by a playgroup of between 25 and 30 children at any one time who are also dropped off and collected. In addition at certain other regular times cars are parked nose to tail on Ashby Road opposite the Site. All this traffic makes the road dangerous to both motorists and pedestrians. Ashby Road is a busy road and both narrow and close to a bend adjacent to the site; it is totally unsuitable to service existing traffic let alone the proposed housing allocation. In addition if one looks at the permissions granted but un-built on Ashby Road a further 19 houses will potentially be serviced by Ashby Road which is already incredibly busy. Highways issues have not been assessed when considering the GADD2 site.

Highways (specific to GADD3) - Appendix 1 of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan (p25) states for GADD3 that 'The site is situated in the northern edge of the village and therefore slightly detached from the limited services that the village provides. Its access via either of two well-connected roads and the proximity to the bus stop makes this site a suitable allocation for housing.' The two roads in question, Rotherby Lane and Pasture Lane are both unsuitable for more than the occasional vehicle and certainly not suitable for any heavy vehicles such as buses and lorries. The main access for properties at this end of the village is Pasture Lane for traffic approaching from Melton Mowbray, or Gaddesby Lane, via Main Street and Park Hill from Leicester. Main Street is often reduced to a single lane with overflow parking of pub patrons and also from the vehicles belonging to residents of Main Street who do not have off-road parking. These roads are not 'well-connected' but in fact highly restrictive, dangerous in some weather conditions, and not capable of supporting additional vehicles. Park Hill is as its name implies, a steep hill. Vehicles naturally speed down the hill, as it is almost impossible to keep to the speed limit due to its steepness. By the same token, vehicles ascending tend to speed to get up the hill. There is only one footpath along Park Hill which is on the opposite (west) side to the main body of housing at Paske Avenue and Barrow Crescent and indeed GADD3. When walking children to school parents have to cross the road to the footpath which is dangerous because of the speed of the traffic. There are also a number of concealed entrances along Park Hill. The Centrebus 100 service currently uses Paske Avenue to turn around and head back down Park Hill to continue its route. This creates a traffic risk, as Paske Avenue is a narrow road with many vehicles often parked on it and really unsuitable for large vehicles such as buses. The contention that GADD3 is a suitable site due to access by

Public Transportation - Appendix 1 (p24) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan states that 'the closest employment areas are in Melton Mowbray (over 7km)'. To facilitate access to employment opportunities, Appendix 1 acknowledges existence of a bus service throughout the week (Centrebus 100 between Leicester and Melton Mowbray), though goes on to state 'However its frequency (every two hours) and the lack of service on Sundays and Bank Holidays should be taken into account when the service is considered with regards to Gaddesby's sustainability (i.e. for accessing Employment as mentioned in the point above)'. The suggestion that the Centrebus100 week day service can be used to facilitate access to employment opportunity is highly questionable. Gaddesby is the closest settlement in the Melton borough to Leicester and it is there that most people go to work. The only suitable bus to Leicester leaves Gaddesby at 07.49am and the last bus leaves Leicester at 17.10pm; this service is not conducive to attending full-time employment in Leicester. Appendix 1 (p25) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan suggests the selection of GADD3 site on the basis that '...proximity to the bus stop makes the site a suitable allocation for housing'. This tenuous justification is completely irrelevant, if the bus service operating is not effective for facilitating access to employment opportunity.

Paragraph 8.3.3 states 'Focusing new development in locations where there are sustainable travel options and the need to travel by car is reduced are important elements of the Spatial Strategy set out in Policy SS2. This approach will also ensure that development is located where it can make the best use of existing resources and facilities'. This statement is a contradiction in terms, as travel options in Gaddesby are not sustainable and the need to travel by car would actually be increased with further housing allocation. Development cannot make the best use of existing resources and facilities, as these 'resources and facilities' simply do not exist in Gaddesby.

Paragraph 8.3.6 states 'Locally identified key transport issues, which the Local Plan also seeks to address, are:...Poor public transport, with better bus and rail services required'. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan is contradictory and inconsistent; it does not set out anywhere how this will be addressed for the village of Gaddesby.

Policy IN1 (Transport & Strategic Transport Infrastructure, p134) states 'Melton Borough Council and its delivery partners will support and promote an efficient and safe transport network which offers a range of transport choices for the movement of people and goods, reduces the need to travel by car and encourages use of alternative, such as walking, cycling and public transport'. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan is contradictory and inconsistent; it does not set out anywhere how this will be addressed for the village of Gaddesby.

Local Shops - The nearest convenience store is in the neighbouring village of East Goscote (3.8 miles away), it is not accessible via public transport from the village and is only open until 6.00pm. The nearest supermarket is in Syston (5 miles away), it is accessible by bus, but the bus is only available during the day, once every 2 hours. The fact that these basic shopping facilities are so far away and realistically only accessible for vehicle owners, highlights the existing inadequacy of Gaddesby facilities; the Melton Local Plan makes no provision for increasing these facilities relative to the housing allocation.

Telecommunication – Mobile telephone reception in the village is poor. Properties at the top of Park Hill only receive weak signal at best, whilst residents lower down in the village and closer to the junction of Main Street and Gaddesby Lane receive little or no signal. Lack of such basic facilities highlights the inadequacy of Gaddesby for further housing allocation.

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# Policy C1 (A) - Housing Allocations

1 CH5PC1(A)Q1: Do you consider that Policy C1 (A) is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

Nο

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

- 2 CH5PC1(A)Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC1(A)Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C1 (A) Housing Allocations 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 C1 (A) Housing Allocations or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Location of GADD3 Site - Appendix 1 (p25) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan states that the GADD3 site '...is situated in the northern edge of the village and therefore slightly detached from the limited services that the village provides'. This is a significant understatement, the GADD3 location is a long walk from the village 'services', services which only consist of a primary school and public house.

- NB. On a point of accuracy, the plot of land labelled GADD01 is incorrectly located on planning maps; I understand this error has been highlighted to Melton Borough Council on previous occasions.
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Policy C1 (B); Reserve Sites

1 CH5PC1(B)Q1: Do you consider that Policy C1 (B); Reserve Sites is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC1(B)Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC1(B)Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C1 (B); Reserve Sites 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 C1 (B); Reserve Sites or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Policy C2 – Housing Mix

1 CH5PC2Q1: Do you consider that Policy C2 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC2Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC2Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C2 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 C2 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy C3 - National Space Standard and Smaller Dwellings

1 CH5PC3Q1: Do you consider that Policy C3 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC3Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC3Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C3 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 C3 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy C4 - Affordable Housing Provision

1 CH5PC4Q1: Do you consider that Policy C4 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC4Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC4Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C4 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 C4 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy C5 – Affordable Housing through Rural Exception Sites

1 CH5PC5Q1: Do you consider that Policy C5 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC5Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC5Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C5 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 C5 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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### Policy C6 - Gypsies and Travellers

1 CH5PC6Q1: Do you consider that Policy C6 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC6Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC6Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C6 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 C6 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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## Policy C7 - Rural Services

1 CH5PC7Q1: Do you consider that Policy C7 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC7Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC7Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C7 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 C7 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy C8 - Self Build and Custom Build Housing

1 CH5PC8Q1: Do you consider that Policy C8 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC8Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC8Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C8 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 C8 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy C9 - Healthy Communities

1 CH5PC9Q1: Do you consider that Policy C9 is?

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Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH5PC9Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH5PC9Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy C9 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 C9 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Chapter 6: Melton's Economy – Strong and Competitive

1 CH6Q1: Do you consider that Chapter 6 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

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

- 2 CH6Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 1) Positively Prepared, 2) Justified, 3) Effective
- 3 CH6Q3: Please give details of why you consider Chapter 6 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 Chapter 6 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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In respect of employment growth, Paragraph 6.9.3 in the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan states that 'The Local Plan policy does not allocate specific sites in the rural areas'. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan is not internally consistent in this respect i.e. a housing allocation is made, but without any respect for corresponding local employment growth. In emphasis of this point, Gaddesby has extremely limited employment opportunities, these being restricted to the two employers in the village, the primary school and The Cheney Arms public house. Despite the housing allocation, the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan does not make any reference to the creation of employment opportunities within Gaddesby nor the infrastructural requirements to facilitate employment opportunities. Appendix 1 (p24) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan further acknowledges that 'the closest employment areas are in Melton Mowbray (over 7km). To facilitate access to employment opportunities, Appendix 1 acknowledges existence of a bus service throughout the week (Centrebus 100 between Leicester and Melton Mowbray), though goes on to state 'However its frequency (every two hours) and the lack of service on Sundays and Bank Holidays should be taken into account when the service is considered with regards to Gaddesby's sustainability (i.e. for accessing Employment as mentioned in the point above)'. The suggestion that the Centrebus100 week day service can be used to facilitate access to employment opportunity is also highly questionable. Gaddesby is the closest settlement in the Melton borough to Leicester and it is there that most people go to work. The only suitable bus to Leicester leaves Gaddesby at 07.49am and the last bus leaves Leicester at 17.10pm; this service is not conducive to attending full-time employment in Leicester. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan is inconsistent in application, a housing allocation has been determined for Gaddesby but without corresponding employment growth oppor

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Policy EC1 – Employment Growth In Melton Mowbray

1 CH6PEC1Q1: Do you consider that Policy EC1 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH6PEC1Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH6PEC1Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EC1 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 EC1 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy EC2 – Employment Growth in the Rural Area (Outside Melton Mowbray)

1 CH6PEC2Q1: Do you consider that Policy EC2 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH6PEC2Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH6PEC2Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EC2 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 EC2 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy EC3 – Existing Employment Sites

1 CH6PEC3Q1: Do you consider that Policy EC3 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH6PEC3Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH6PEC3Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EC3 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 EC3 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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## Policy EC4 – Other Employment and Mixed-use Proposals

1 CH6PEC4Q1: Do you consider that Policy EC4 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

2 CH6PEC4Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?

3 CH6PEC4Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EC4 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 EC4 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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### Policy EC5 - Melton Mowbray Town Centre

1 CH6PEC5Q1: Do you consider that Policy EC5 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH6PEC5Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH6PEC5Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy SS1 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 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy EC6 - Primary Shopping Frontages

1 CH6PEC6Q1: Do you consider that Policy EC6 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH6PEC6Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
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# Policy EC7 - Retail Development in the Borough

1 CH6PEC7Q1: Do you consider that Policy EC7 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH6PEC7Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH6PEC7Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EC7 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 EC7 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy EC8 – Sustainable Tourism

1 CH6PEC8Q1: Do you consider that Policy EC8 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH6PEC8Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH6PEC8Q4: Please give details of why you consider Policy EC8 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 EC8 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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### Chapter 7: Melton Borough's Environment – Protected and Enhanced

1 CH7Q1: Do you consider that Chapter 7 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

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

2 CH7Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?

3 CH7Q3: Please give details of why you consider Chapter 7 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 Chapter 7 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Paragraph 7.2.1 references an updated Biodiversity and Geo-diversity Study (2015, 2016) of the Borough. Paragraph 7.2.2 however, suggests the study only 'surveyed the suitable site options for development in and around Melton Mowbray and the ten largest villages' to identify where notable areas of significant habitat were present. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan does not confirm which are the ten largest villages, though on the basis of 4.2.7 I would expect these to be Service Centres and not Rural Hubs. Gaddesby, as defined as a Rural Hub, would not be one of these ten largest villages. I fail to therefore see how a housing allocation can be proposed for Gaddesby, when the Council's Biodiversity and Geo-diversity Study has not even assessed the impact on the village. Paragraph 7.2.2 is inconsistent, misleading and flawed in its application to Gaddesby village.

In respect of the flood risk in Melton Borough, Paragraph 7.22.1 states that 'National planning policy requires a risk based sequential approach to flood risk, avoiding high risk areas and steering development to area of lower risk'. Paragraph 7.22.2 goes on to state that 'As well as managing risk to the development itself, development should not increase flood risk elsewhere and opportunities should be taken to reduce downstream flooding events, for example, by reducing run-off rates'. Appendix 1(p24) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan acknowledges that 'Gaddesby Brook is a main water course situated at the South of the settlement with associated flood zone 3. This will have an impact on development proposals to the south of the village'. Appendix 1 (p25) further states 'The site is relatively close to a Local Wildlife site and part is within Flood Zone 3 (revised). 91% of the site remains within flood zone 1, and capacity and layout will be affected by this constraint. Flood protection and mitigation will also be required on parts of this site'. A site specific policy for GADD2 is proposed, 'that mitigation measures against flood risk will be provided due to its proximity to the Gaddesby Brook'.

A large part of the GADD2 site is subject to flooding. Those who walk regularly on the footpath across the site can confirm that in wet weather most of the site is subject to standing water; its position at the bottom of a hill contributes to this. The village hall and primary school already have to pump their soil waste to the pumping station to the east of the site. Concerns exist that if the site were to be built, surface run-off would likely cause Gaddesby Brook to flood. Whilst Appendix 1 (p25) proposes a site specific policy ensuring mitigation measures against flood risk are provided at GADD2, further investigation into surface water and foul drainage solutions is required before the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan progresses any further. There are clearly wildlife and flooding concerns in this area and any form of flood mitigation will likely have a knock on affect elsewhere nearby. Flood mitigation also has the potential to affect the Local Wildlife Area.

In respect of the GADD3 site, the ground is clay heavy and as a result there is a lot of surface water retention and run-off from fields. This affects a number of properties; any new development in the area will undoubtedly have a negative knock on effect on existing properties. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan makes no mention of any attempts to improve drainage facilities for existing properties, in acknowledgement of the impact additional housing allocation would cause. This potential risk has not been properly assessed.

Within the overall Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan housing allocations, it is felt that there are more suitable lower risk areas than those put forward in Gaddesby; in this respect the housing allocations at GADD2 and GADD3 are at odds with Paragraph 7.22.1.

In respect of Biodiversity, Paragraph 7.2.1 of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan states that 'The Local Plan seeks to maintain and improve the natural environment and ensure that development proposals minimise negative impacts on biodiversity and provide net gains where possible'. As acknowledged in Appendix 1 (p25), the GADD2 site is '...relatively close to a Local Wildlife site', including the Gaddesby Brook. Appendix 1 (p24) suggests a site specific policy for GADD2, supporting housing allocation though only on the basis that '...there are no adverse impacts on the nearby Local Wildlife Site located in proximity to the eastern boundary'. It is understood that Gaddesby Brook contains white clawed crayfish which are a protected species. To comply with paragraph 7.2.1, further information about the likely ecological impact of the development of GADD2 needs to be provided so a judgement about suitability of the site for development can be made.

4 CH7Q4: Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make Chapter 7 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 Chapter 7 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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# Policy EN1 - Landscape

1 CH7PEN1Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN1 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

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

2 CH7PEN1Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?

2) Justified

3 CH7PEN1Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN1 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 EN1 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Policy EN1 (Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan, p98) states 'Proposals will be supported where they do not adversely affect important landscape features including...(4) Important views, approaches and settings'. With respect to site GADD2 and proposal for a site for 30 houses, the Council has drawn up arbitrary site boundaries without justification, these are not defined or contained by physical features e.g. by hedgerow or surrounding development. The site's northern and eastern boundaries are exposed, meaning the proposed housing development is likely to have an adverse visual impact on the wider countryside. Appendix 1 in the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan (p24) acknowledges that 'The eastern part of the settlement has high landscape sensitivity, however '(...)it is recognised that there are elements where sensitivity is reduced, due to intrusion by more modern development at the northern and southern fringes of the LCZ with the settlement. However, there is limited opportunity for mitigation through further development without further intrusion upon the parkland character of the landscape' AoS, Settlement Fringe Sensitivity & LGS Study'. Appendix 1 (p25) further states that 'The site is opposite to the primary school and the Village Hall in a part of the road with prominent vegetation and is in a high landscape sensitivity area which requires careful treatment'. The site is considered to be out of character with the surrounding development which extends along Ashby Road and Church Lane and is linear in nature. The likely adverse impact of the proposed housing allocation upon the character of the settlement and surrounding landscape has not been properly considered through the site assessment process. In addition and highly importantly, GADD2 provides the only long view to and from the Church.

With respect to the GADD3 site, this would have an adverse visual impact on the entrance to and exit from the village and on the wider countryside. As one reaches the top of Park Hill It is clear that one has reached open country; this would not be the case if the development were to be built. The site is considered to be out of character with the existing development which extends along Pasture Lane. The likely adverse impact upon the existing settlement and surrounding landscape has not been assessed.

Policy EN1 is inconsistent in its application to Gaddesby village, a housing allocation would directly contradict point 4 (p98) in particular.

4 CH7PEN1Q4: 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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# Policy EN2 - Biodiversity and Geodiversity

1 CH7PEN2Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN2 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 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.

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# Policy EN3 - The Melton Green Infrastructure Network

1 CH7PEN3Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN3 is?

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# Policy EN4 - Areas of separation

1 CH7PEN4Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN4 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

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### Policy EN5 - Local Green Space

1 CH7PEN5Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN5 is?

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### Policy EN6 - Settlement Character

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Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH7PEN6Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
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### Policy EN7 - Open Space, Sport and Recreation

1 CH7PEN7Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN7 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH7PEN7Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH7PEN7Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN7 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 EN7 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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## **EN8 - Climate Change**

1 CH7PEN8Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN8 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH7PEN8Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH7PEN8Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN8 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 EN8 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy EN9 – Ensuring Energy Efficient and Low Carbon Development

1 CH7PEN9Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN9 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH7PEN9Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH7PEN9Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN9 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 EN9 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy EN10 - Energy Generation from Renewable Sources

1 CH7PEN10Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN10 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH7PEN10Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH7PEN10Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN10 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 EN10 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy EN11 - Minimising the Risk of Flooding

1 CH7PEN11Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN11 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

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

- 2 CH7PEN11Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 1) Positively Prepared, 2) Justified
- 3 CH7PEN11Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN11 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 EN11 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Policy EN11 (p125) states that 'Melton Borough Council will ensure that development proposals do not increase flood risk and will seek to reduce flood risk to others'. In respect of the flood risk in Melton Borough, Paragraph 7.22.2 states that 'As well as managing risk to the development itself, development should not increase flood risk elsewhere and opportunities should be taken to reduce downstream flooding events, for example, by reducing run-off rates'. Paragraph 7.22.1 further states 'National planning policy requires a risk based sequential approach to flood risk, avoiding high risk areas and steering development to area of lower risk'. Appendix 1(p24) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan acknowledges that 'Gaddesby Brook is a main water course situated at the South of the settlement with associated flood zone 3. This will have an impact on development proposals to the south of the village'. Appendix 1 (p25) further states 'The site is relatively close to a Local Wildlife site and part is within Flood Zone 3 (revised). 91% of the site remains within flood zone 1, and capacity and layout will be affected by this constraint. Flood protection and mitigation will also be required on parts of this site'. A site specific policy for GADD2 is proposed, 'that mitigation measures against flood risk will be provided due to its proximity to the Gaddesby Brook'.

A large part of the GADD2 site is subject to flooding. Those who walk regularly on the footpath across the site can confirm that in wet weather most of the site is subject to standing water; its position at the bottom of a hill contributes to this. The village hall and primary school already have to pump their soil waste to the pumping station to the east of the site. Concerns exist that if the site were to be built, surface run-off would likely cause Gaddesby Brook to flood. Whilst Appendix 1 (p25) proposes a site specific policy ensuring mitigation measures against flood risk are provided at GADD2, further investigation into surface water and foul drainage solutions is required before the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan progresses any further. There are clearly wildlife and flooding concerns in this area and any form of flood mitigation will likely have a knock on affect elsewhere nearby. Flood mitigation also has the potential to affect the Local Wildlife Area.

In respect of the GADD3 site, the ground is clay heavy and as a result there is a lot of surface water retention and run-off from fields. This affects a number of properties; any new development in the area will undoubtedly have a negative knock on effect on existing properties. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan makes no mention of any attempts to improve drainage facilities for existing properties, in acknowledgement of the impact additional housing allocation would cause. This potential risk has not been properly assessed.

Within the overall Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan housing allocations, it is felt that there are more suitable lower risk areas than those put forward in Gaddesby; in this respect the housing allocations at GADD2 and GADD3 are at odds with Paragraph 7.22.1.

4 CH7PEN11Q4: 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.

lease set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Melton Local Plan legally compliant or sound:

## Policy EN12 - Sustainable Drainage Systems

1 CH7PEN12Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN12 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

2 CH7PEN12Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?

3 CH7PEN12Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN12 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 EN12 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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### Policy EN13 - Heritage Assets

1 CH7PEN13Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN13 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

Nο

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

- 2 CH7PEN13Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 1) Positively Prepared, 2) Justified
- 3 CH7PEN13Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN13 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 EN13 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Policy EN13A (p129) states that Melton Borough Council will seek 'to ensure the protection and enhancement of Heritage Assets including non-designated heritage assets when considering proposals for development affecting their significance and setting. Proposed development should avoid harm to the significance of historic sites, buildings or areas, including their setting. I believe the proposal for GADD2 is not consistent with this policy statement. St Luke's Church sits at the top of Church Lane, it is a Grade 1 listed building and felt by some to be the most important church in the County from an archaeological perspective. The church is a fine 12th Century Heritage Church, originally constructed by the Order of the Knights Templar. If the GADD2 site were to be developed this would interfere with the setting of this wonderful building. The GADD2 site would interfere with the only 'long view' to and from the Church. The impact of development upon the Church's setting has not been properly assessed in the context of the wider site. Without a robust heritage assessment, any public benefits balancing exercise cannot be undertaken, making the site of the proposed housing allocation unwarranted. In addition to St Luke's Church, the GADD2 site is 'ridge and furrow', this also constitutes a heritage asset but this also does not seem to have been taken into account and its potential loss assessed.

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# Chapter 8: Managing the Delivery of the Melton Local Plan

1 CH8Q1: Do you consider that Chapter 8 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

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

- 2 CH8Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 1) Positively Prepared, 2) Justified, 3) Effective

3 CH8Q3: Please give details of why you consider Chapter 81 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 Chapter 8 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Paragraph 8.3.3 states 'Focusing new development in locations where there are sustainable travel options and the need to travel by car is reduced are important elements of the Spatial Strategy set out in Policy SS2. This approach will also ensure that development is located where it can make the best use of existing resources and facilities'. This statement is a contradiction in terms, as travel options in Gaddesby are not sustainable and the need to travel by car would actually be increased with further housing allocation. Development cannot make the best use of existing resources and facilities, as these 'resources and facilities' simply do not exist in Gaddesby.

Paragraph 8.3.6 states 'Locally identified key transport issues, which the Local Plan also seeks to address, are:...Poor public transport, with better bus and rail services required'. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan is contradictory and inconsistent; it does not set out anywhere how this will be addressed for the village of Gaddesby.

Appendix 1 (p24) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan states that 'the closest employment areas are in Melton Mowbray (over 7km)'. To facilitate access to employment opportunities, Appendix 1 acknowledges existence of a bus service throughout the week (Centrebus 100 between Leicester and Melton Mowbray), though goes on to state 'However its frequency (every two hours) and the lack of service on Sundays and Bank Holidays should be taken into account when the service is considered with regards to Gaddesby's sustainability (i.e. for accessing Employment as mentioned in the point above)'. The suggestion that the Centrebus100 week day service can be used to facilitate access to employment opportunity is highly questionable. Gaddesby is the closest settlement in the Melton borough to Leicester and it is there that most people go to work. The only suitable bus to Leicester leaves Gaddesby at 07.49am and the last bus leaves Leicester at 17.10pm; this service is not conducive to attending full-time employment in Leicester. Appendix 1 (p25) of the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan suggests the selection of GADD3 site on the basis that '...proximity to the bus stop makes the site a suitable allocation for housing'. This tenuous justification is completely irrelevant, if the bus service operating is not effective for facilitating access to employment opportunity.

In respect of health care provision, paragraph 8.5.3 states 'it is clear that the forecasted population growth will have an impact on healthcare provision in the Borough and additional provision will be required, namely GP and primary dental care services. Further discussions and engagement is required with healthcare providers in order to establish the location and quantum of provision necessary'. Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland's 'Sustainability and Transformation Plan' isn't out for consultation until early 2017. Increasing housing allocation would have an impact on community and secondary care health services, those this is not acknowledged in the Plan. Given that the local health economy needs to save in the region of £400m to remain financially viable over the next five years, there is likely to be a rationalisation of community hospital facilities, which could include Melton Community Hospital. Not only does the Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan not make specific accommodation for new healthcare facilities linked to the housing increase, it does not acknowledge that there may actually be a reduction locally. Without taking in to full consideration the implications of the LLR STP, Melton Borough Council has failed in its Duty to Cooperate.

4 CH8Q4: Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make Chapter 8 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 Chapter 8 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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# Policy IN1 -Transport & Strategic Transport Infrastructure

1 CH8PIN1Q1: Do you consider that Policy IN1 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

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

- 2 CH8PIN1Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 1) Positively Prepared, 2) Justified, 3) Effective
- 3 CH8PIN1Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy IN1 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 IN1 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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Policy IN1 (Transport & Strategic Transport Infrastructure, p134) states 'Melton Borough Council and its delivery partners will support and promote an efficient and safe transport network which offers a range of transport choices for the movement of people and goods, reduces the need to travel by car and encourages use of alternative, such as walking, cycling and public transport'. The Pre-Submission Draft Melton Local Plan is contradictory and inconsistent, it does not set out anywhere how this will be addressed for the village of Gaddesby.

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Policy IN2: Infrastructure Contributions and Community Infrastructure Levy

1 CH8PIN2Q1: Do you consider that Policy IN2 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH8PIN2Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH8PIN2Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy IN2 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 IN2 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# IN3: Broadband

1 CH8PIN3Q1: Do you consider that Policy IN3 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH8PIN3Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH8PIN3Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy IN3 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 IN3 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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### **Chapter 9: Managing Development**

1 CH9Q1: Do you consider that Chapter 9 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH9Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH9Q3: Please give details of why you consider Chapter 9 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 Chapter 9 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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### Policy D1 - Raising the Standard of Design

1 CH9PD1Q1: Do you consider that Policy D1 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH9PD1Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH9PD1Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy D1 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 D1 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy D2 – Equestrian Development

1 CH9PD2Q1: Do you consider that Policy D2 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH9PD2Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH9PD2Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy D2 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 D2 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# Policy D3 – Agricultural Workers' Dwellings

1 CH9PD3Q1: Do you consider that Policy D3 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 CH9PD3Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH9PD3Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy D3 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 D3 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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# **Monitoring Framework**

1 MFQ1: Do you consider that the Monitoring Framework is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 MFQ2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 MFQ3: Please give details of why you consider that the Monitoring Framework 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 Monitoring Framework or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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### **Policies Maps**

1 PMQ1: Do you consider that the Policies Maps are?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

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

- 2 PMQ2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 PMQ3: Please give details of why you consider that the Policy Maps are not legally compliant or unsound or fail 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 Policy Maps or their compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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5 PMQ5: Please indicate which Policy Maps you response relates to.

If multiple please indicate on separate lines for each. :

# **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?

Not Answered

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

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

# Acknowledgement

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