

Authority Monitoring Report 2019: **Employment**

The indicators used in this section seek to give an insight into how the economic growth policies of the Local Plan related to employment land use are performing and the trends these are following. The Policies related to this chapter are:

Policy			
EC1	<i>Employment Growth in Melton Mowbray</i>	EC2	<i>Employment Growth in the Rural Area</i>
EC3	<i>Existing Employment Sites</i>	EC4	<i>Other Employment and Mixed-use Proposals</i>

Hectares of employment land (Source: [MBC](#))

Target: 50.75ha of employment land (B1, B2 and B8) developed by 2036.

- Those sites with live approved planning applications that involve any modification in the B1, B2 and B8 uses are visited annually by MBC officers to identify any completed works. Then the information about the completions is added up for the different uses giving a gross and a net figure for each. The net figure is used in this report.

Table 1. Cumulative Developed Employment land (ha)

Year	2017	2018	2019	2036 Target
Cumulative Employment Land Developed from 2011 (ha)	12.13ha	12.59ha	13.49ha	50.75ha

Trend = Slightly Negative. Whilst the overall target is to 2036, on a pro rata basis per annum to achieve that target, 16.24ha from 2011 to 2019, we can see that the provision so far (13.49ha) is 16.93% below target.

Performance = Uncertain, given the lead in times associated with bringing forward larger employment areas such as the strategic employment sites stated in the Local Plan, it is likely that the trend for this indicator will remain relatively flat in the short to medium term, with periodic increase associated with larger new developments coming on-stream on allocated sites in due course.

Hectares of employment land (allocated sites) (Source: [MBC](#))

Target: 31.24ha developed by 2036.

- The information is retrieved in the same way as the monitoring of the hectares of employment land above and will also involve the engagement between developers of the site and the Council.

Table 2. Cumulative Allocated Employment Land Developed (ha)

Year	2017	2018	2019	2036 Target
Cumulative Employment Land Developed (ha)	0ha	0ha	0ha	31.24ha

Trend = No development has occurred since the last AMR.

Performance = The lead in times for the development of these sites mean that significant progress towards meeting this target is unlikely to be achieved in the short-medium term; e.g. the employment area at Leicester Road will be brought forward as part of the Melton South sustainable neighbourhood, for which planning permission is still pending, and which will be delivered in phases throughout the remainder of the plan period.