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About you

What is your name?

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Are you making a submission on behalf of someone else?

Yes

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

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North West Leicestershire District Council

About you (equalities questions)

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

Enter the first 5 digits of your postcode:

Gender: How do you identify?

Not Answered

If self-describe, please state :

Would you describe yourself as transgender?

Not Answered

What is your sexual orientation?

Not Answered

If other, please state:

What is your age?

Not Answered

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

Not Answered

If you selected other, please state:

What is your ethnic origin?

Please describe your ethnicity and race:

What is your religion?

Not Answered

Please state your religion:

Policy SS4. South Melton Mowbray Sustainable Neighbourhoods

Policy SS4: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 10: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 10 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 10 - Option 2: Amend to reflect the 2021 Masterplan [preferred option]:

Question 11: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

The Approved SSN Masterplan Statement includes a Phasing Schedule (page 86) which identifies that 2,033 dwellings could be built by 2036. Paragraph 5.2.2 of the Issues and Options Consultation document states that planning permission has been granted for 555 dwellings on part of the site, currently under construction, and 85 dwellings have already been built and that the Masterplan identifies a further 1,975 homes can be delivered across the site.

These figures added together equal 2,615 dwellings, which is 582 additional dwellings compared to the figures in the Masterplan. It is unclear why the figures in paragraph 5.2.2 are different to those set out in the Masterplan.

In terms of employment land the SSN Masterplan Phasing Schedule identifies 17.7Ha of employment land compared to the 20Ha identified in the adopted Local Plan Policy. It is noted that a review of the employment land requirement is underway.

Policy SS5. Melton Mowbray North Sustainable Neighbourhood

Policy SS5: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 12: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 12 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Question 12 - Option 2: Amend to reflect the 2021 Masterplan [preferred option]:

Question 13: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

The NMN Masterplan splits the site into two parcels: East of Scalford Road and West of Scalford Road. The phasing and timescales section (page 117) of the NSN Masterplan identifies that 1,230 dwellings would be provided on the site to the East of Scalford Road and that 600 dwellings would be provided on the site to the West of Scalford Road by 2036. In total some 1,830 dwellings would be provided on the NSN by 2036.

The Issues and Options Consultation Document (paragraph 6.2.2) states that delivery is underway with planning permission for 883 dwellings including some under construction and a further 1,230 dwellings subject to a planning application currently under consideration. Additionally, 123 completions have been recorded.

These figures added together equal 2,236 dwellings, which is 406 additional dwellings compared to the figures set out in the NSN Masterplan. It is unclear why the figures in paragraph 6.2.2 are different to those set out in the Masterplan.

Policy SS6. Alternative Development Strategies and Local Plan Review

Policy SS6: Relevant context to respond to the questions below

Question 14: Looking at the options above, which option do you support?

Question 14 - Option 1: Delete the policy:

Strongly disagree

Question 14 - Option 2: Reduce to locally specific criteria only [preferred option]:

Somewhat agree

Question 14 - Option 3: Additional criteria:

Somewhat agree

Question 15: Please use the comment box below to explain your response or provide any additional information you would like us to consider in our review of this policy

Please, provide further context:

Policy SS6 of the adopted Local Plan sets out the Council's commitment to meeting its requirements for housing and employment and other development and infrastructure. Triggers for a review of the Local Plan include significant and persistent shortfalls in delivery or changes within the Housing Market Area (HMA) to the objectively assessed need or spatial distribution of growth across the HMA.

Options are put forward for how the policy could be amended by:

- Option 1 - Deleting the policy
- Option 2 - Reducing the criteria locally specific matters (the preferred option)
- Option 3 - Adding new criteria

North West Leicestershire District Council considers that options 2 and 3 are the most appropriate, subject to the inclusion and updating of this policy to make reference to collaborative working to meet any unmet need within the HMA.

Definitions