

TABLE A – ISSUES AND OBJECTIVES

Question 1 – What are the issues?

<p>Question 1</p> <p>Are there any other issues which the Local Plan has not identified? If so what are these and what is the evidence to support it? - Please provide further comments;</p>	<p>NWL Response</p>	<p>Any change required?</p>	<p>Name</p>	<p>Business or organisation name;</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Lisa Marron</p>	<p>Resident</p>
<p>Consideration needs to be taken once the publication ashby neighbourhood plan is agreed</p>	<p>The draft Local Plan on page 119 sets out its relationship with neighbourhood plans. Any neighbourhood plan needs to be in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the Local Plan at Appendix 4.</p> <p>It is important to note that even where a policy is not considered to be strategic but the Neighbourhood Plan proposes a different approach, it will still be necessary to ensure that appropriate evidence is available to justify a different approach in order to avoid further conflict between the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan.</p>		<p>Mr s Whitehouse</p>	<p>Personal</p>
<p>A key issue is stated to be accessibility, but a key factor in assessing this is congestion, which is becoming a major issue in areas such as Ashby, where the ability to improve the town centre network is very limited. Acceptability of development surely must be considered in the light of the cumulative effect of new developments on this congestion, which also impacts on Air Pollution.</p> <p>A County Council Policy is to reduce car usage and therefore the contribution that a development makes to increasing this must be a key issue for the planning authority. Access to public transport, walking and cycling are not enough to make a significant difference to car usage where developments are remote from town centres, overall sustainability needs to be considered as a key issue in this respect. Objective 4 supports this view, but it is not stated as a key issue.</p>	<p>The need to ensure that people have access to services and facilities is already recognised in Table 1 under accessibility.</p>		<p>Nigel Garnham</p>	<p>Packington Nook Residents Association</p>

<p>I am a resident of Coleorton and live at 22 Beaumont Green.</p> <p>On the original Local Plan -East, the land behind my house between Stoney Lane, The Woolrooms and Aquaduct Lane was hatched with a diagonal line and classified as Sensitive Areas (policy E1) and Countryside (policy S4).</p> <p>The Sensitive land (policy E1) was also specified on various parcels of land around the village.</p> <p>Policy E1, makes reference to this land being Sensitive Areas and development will not be permitted that would adversely affect or diminish the present open character of such areas... Policy S4 relates to protection of countryside.</p> <p>I am concerned that the new local plan has removed the policy E1 from this land and therefore this extra layer of protection to this land has also been removed. One of Coleorton's key characteristics is the open countryside and separation you have between existing cottages, houses & farm buildings. Removing the Policy E1 will give greater encouragement to developers, builders & land owners etc to infill this land with houses between these existing building. Thus ruining the open character of this rural settlement.</p>	<p>The issue of protecting the countryside is covered by policy S4.</p>		<p>Mark Hutchinson</p>	<p>Mark Hutchinson</p>
<p>1.11 Duty to Co-operate. In NPPF this extends to working with infrastructure providers and I believe this should be mentioned here. [NPPF paras 157 and 162]</p> <p>Table 1 on issues to be addressed through planning from the scoping report. I note the content in respect of services and facilities.</p>	<p>Noted. The need to ensure that services and facilities are appropriate to meet resident's needs is identified in Table 1. The need to work with infrastructure providers will be included as text after 4.3.</p>	<p>Include additional para after 4.3 about how the policies will require implementation by a wide range of organisations not just North West Leicestershire</p>	<p>Michael Lambert</p>	<p>Leicestershire Police</p>
<p>Worth stating that they're in no particular order (I'm assuming they're not)</p>	<p>Noted. They are in no particular order this will be made clear within the local plan supporting text.</p>	<p>Additional sentence to be inserted within the supporting text before table 1 that the key issues are in no particular order.</p>	<p>Stephen Saxby</p>	<p>None</p>

<p>A lack of infrastructure - such as super-fast broadband, a science or technology park where information and resources can be shared etc - that will support hi-tech industries. As someone who works in the industry, I know there is a huge demand for these companies to move out of Birmingham and Nottingham to semi-rural areas, and as NWL is situated midway between the two cities with excellent transport links, it would be a perfect location.</p>	<p>Noted. The need to deliver high speed broadband is covered by draft Local Plan policy IF1.</p> <p>The evidence (PACEC 2013) suggests that the future growth in B1 which would include Science Parks is going to be limited.</p>		<p>Mark Chadbourn</p>	<p>Emerald Eye Ltd</p>
<p>Ensuring all rural communities have access to a local bus/transport service, with at least 4 buses per day</p>	<p>Noted. It is not the role of the Local Plan to stipulate a service level provision as this is a function of market demand and / or policies of Leicestershire County Council. However, the Local Plan can set out the need to deliver public transport as part of new development.</p>		<p>Alison Wright</p>	<p>Heather Parish Council</p>
<p>Page 12. The only map in the draft Local Plan is the " North West Leicestershire District Context Map. When reproduced in black and white, the different shades of grey make much of the map difficult, if not impossible, to understand. The various areas should be in different hatchings in order that the plan should be able to be understood in black and white.</p> <p>Page 18, paragraph 4.2, table 1 ,Pollution and page 107, paragraph 9.50. The draft Local Plan says that key issues is the "need to avoid further deterioration of air quality". In the Castle Donington Air Quality Management Area, there should of course be no further deterioration of air quality but there needs to be a significant improvement in air quality. The draft local plan should be positive in attempting to improve air quality rather than accepting the present unsatisfactory pollution.</p>	<p>Noted. The reference in table 1 to pollution will be amended to be more positive.</p>	<p>Amend table 1 pollution to state " to improve air quality in the 5 Air Quality Management Areas...".</p>	<p>Gerald Dalby</p>	<p>NA</p>

<p>Page 14 -Employment and economy.</p> <p>Economic forecasts only demonstrate the lack detail plans to entice more manufacturing jobs to NWL. Manufacturing by its nature has more investment in plant and equipment and is more stable than transport and storage which are much more transient.</p> <p>Transport and access.</p> <p>The highest influx of commuters is around the employment growth area of Castle Donington in contrast to the mass exodus from the Coalville area. Housing should be focused on the area of highest employment growth. Transport for workers to this high growth area from the rest of NWL is virtually non-existent. Driving unsustainability causing high dependence on the motor car. The majority of workers in this area are from outside of NWL.</p> <p>Page 15 - Climate Change.</p> <p>The high per capita levels of CO2 are associated with the desire for transport and industry. The drive for warehousing and logistics, building of more and more dormitory settlements will only serve to increase CO2 levels. NWLDC are ignoring the need for more sustainability in the placement of large housing developments causing ever increasing traffic issues. More small developments, more widely spread are accepted as reducing the concentrations of airborne pollutants.</p> <p>The lack of new road infrastructure to handle ever increasing traffic volumes along with poor location of new developments will only serve to exacerbate the climate change issues you are building up for the future.</p> <p>This plan and NWLDC are remiss in not considering pollutants other than CO2. Particulates soot and nitrous oxides have severe impact on public health. The lack of any mention of these is a serious omission. This is supposed to be a long term plan, as we have seen elsewhere the concentration solely on CO2 is over. NWLDC should be considering all forms of pollution for the sake of their resident's long term health and safety.</p>	<p>The Local Plan is informed by the PACEC employment study. This forecasts a decline in the number of manufacturing jobs in the district but an increase in jobs in both office and warehouse sectors.</p> <p>The population of the district, including in the Coalville area has grown and is forecast to continue to grow. The Coalville area accounts for the highest number of jobs in the district , as well as being the largest centre in population terms. The provision of more housing in the district will provide an opportunity for more people who currently work in the district but live elsewhere to move in to the district, although the planning system cannot force people to do so. The issue of supporting infrastructure for new development is considered as part of draft Local Plan chapter 8. To support the delivery of infrastructure to support new development an Infrastructure Delivery Plan is currently in the process of being prepared.</p> <p>It is not the role of the Local Plan to remove car parking charges.</p> <p>The best and most versatile agricultural land refers to grades 1 and 2 or the agricultural land classification. The issue of agricultural land quality is considered when determining planning applications.</p>		Steve Palmer	NA
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Page 17 - Water.

There are known limitations at the Snarrows Water Treatment Works. Yet the Local Plan shows the largest increase in housing numbers to be in the Greater Coalville area urban area. It doesn't take a genius to realise that significant capacity increases are needed, yet there is no mention of any detail changes to infrastructure to allow extra housing, consequently the plan is seriously flawed. The Plan should detail what percentage changes are needed for various infrastructure items and how they will be provided for it be seriously considered.

Page 18 - Item 4.0 What are the issues?

Summary of issues does not include the largest and most important issue, the one thing that the whole thing depends on. Infrastructure, without which the rest is meaningless.

Retailing.

The Council should remove town centre car parking charges across the whole district. "Well someone has to pay for car park maintenance", I hear you say. An increase in footfall and in town expenditure would reduce the number of empty shops with the associated increase in business rates which would more than offset and net profit made on running car parks. The Plan is not in line with the NPPF, page 7 item 23.

Page 19- Ref list of issues.

"Agricultural Land" The statement made is "There are limited areas of best and most versatile agricultural land so it is important to ensure that these are protected"

Yet the vast majority of areas where development is identified are classed by the NPPF (page 26, items 111 and 112) as "Best and most versatile agricultural land: Land in grades 1, 2 or 3a of the agricultural land classification"

Most of the land identified in the plan is Class 1. Almost all of the land identified is within the three classes mentioned above.

<p>The Local Plan needs to address protecting, conserving and enhancing the natural environment by protecting areas of open countryside of the highest value in terms of environmental value and tranquillity, prized for their recreational and amenity value and meeting the needs of local people and visitors, in terms of their enjoyment, health and wellbeing. Such areas need to be adequately protected and the most valuable areas should be regarded as Local Green Space where they meet this definition as set out in Paragraph 77 of the NPPF. This applies in particular to areas both within and providing access to open access areas within the Heart of the National Forest.</p>	<p>The draft Local Plan includes the following policies to protect, conserve and enhance the natural environment:</p> <p>S4- countryside</p> <p>En1-nature conservation</p> <p>En3- The National Forest</p> <p>En4 Charnwood Forest</p> <p>En5- Area of Separation.</p>		<p>Frank Bedford, MBE</p>	<p>Willesley Environment Protection Association</p>
<p>Traffic implications of new sites. Associated services such as health centres and schools.</p>	<p>Noted. As part of assessing the sustainability impacts of new development sites, traffic implications are discussed with the Highways Authority. The impact of supporting services and facilities are provided within the infrastructure delivery plan which is prepared in consultation with both health and education authorities.</p>		<p>None</p>	<p>none</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>david harris</p>	<p>Pyrotect Ltd</p>

<p>Objective 1 Promote the health and wellbeing of the districts population would be best served by protecting the green space within area.</p> <p>In particular we would urge you to designate the Bath Grounds Green Corridor between the Royal Hotel and Ashby Castle as Local Green Space as defined under the NPPF and to ensure that this area is protected from development accordingly. This comprises The Hastings Garden, The Bath Grounds, Bullens Field, The Memorial Field, and Manor House School Playing Field. The Bath Grounds Green Corridor is demonstrably special to the local community and holds particular local significance. It provides Ashby's unique "Countryside in the Town" character affording open vistas to Ashby Castle from South Street and the Royal Hotel in the west. It provides continuity between the main historic sites and buildings within the Town and provides valuable recreational space and playing fields. The community's view of the importance of the area was demonstrated by a recent 2000 signature petition to oppose house building on the Bath Grounds. The Bath Grounds, Bullens Field, Memorial Field and Manor House School playing field are currently designated as Sensitive Areas under the 2002 Local Plan saved policy E1. The Bath Grounds, Memorial Field and Manor House School Playing Field were designated as Recreational Open Space under Policy L14 (not saved). These special protections will be lost when the new Local Plan is adopted if the current draft is not amended."</p> <p>Objective 10 - Conserve and enhance the identity, character and diversity and local distinctiveness of the districts built, industrial and historic heritage.</p> <p>Objectives 11, 12 will similarly be best served by the designation of this area as Local Green Space</p>	<p>These issues are dealt with under question 2.</p>		<p>Colin Eaton</p>	<p>Colin Eaton</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Simon Litchfield</p>	<p>Resident</p>

<p>The protection of and enhancements to existing green spaces across the District should be mentioned as an issue and as an objective. With developers targeting green spaces e.g. the application to build houses on the Bath Grounds, Ashby de la Zouch.</p> <p>Protecting Community Assets needs to be wider than just heritage and landscape assets. This will exclude other assets which may not be in those categories e.g. a local hospital, a local pub, a modern church or community shop.</p>	<p>These issues are covered by various policies within the plan.</p>		<p>Karen Edwards, Deputy Town Clerk</p>	<p>Ashby de la Zouch Town Council</p>
<p>Traffic flow around Ashby and parking near the town centre.</p>	<p>Noted. The issues set out in table 1 are of a strategic nature.</p>		<p>Andrew Stone</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>Damage to Ashby with ridiculous growth plans, why not Coalville, a case of NIMBY me thinks</p>	<p>The direction of growth considered within the draft Local Plan is based on the settlement hierarchy that has been assessed as part of the Sustainability Appraisal. In accordance with the settlement hierarchy the largest amount of development is directed towards Coalville.</p>		<p>Trevor Davis</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>The Parish Council would like to see reference made to Highway provision including traffic calming measures and how volume of extra traffic from increased housing is to be dealt with.</p>	<p>In relation to the volume of extra traffic generated from new development, the draft Local Plan has been prepared in consultation with the Highways Authority and Highways England. Where additional improvements are required in association with new development then this is identified as part of the specific policy.</p>		<p>Measham Parish Council</p>	<p>Measham Parish Council</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Edward Hines</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>1) The rail freight interchange is on the borders of Leicestershire, Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire the work force will live within all three counties. The addition of 3700 dwellings in NW Leics is not a realistic distribution of homes associated with it. An additional allowance has been made for housing in the strategic housing assessment. The job opportunities provided will have little or no impact on Blackfordby employment opportunities and does not equate to</p> <p>2) objectives 4 and 5</p> <p>3) 3.5 transport and access</p> <p>4) 3.4 employment and economy</p>	<p>It is acknowledged within the Local Plan and supporting Background Paper Policy S2 that not everyone employed at the Strategic Rail Freight Interchange will live within North West Leicestershire.</p> <p>However, the SHMA did not take account of the SFRI in terms of job creation and so it is necessary to consider its implications to ensure that sufficient housing will be available to meet the needs generated by housing.</p> <p>The objectives are those for the Local Plan and new development as a whole.</p>		<p>Mr W H Chesterton</p>	<p>NA</p>

<p>I disagree strongly with not designating any areas of Local Green Space within the Local Plan. Placing the responsibility solely on Neighbourhood Plans is a derogation of the District Council's duty to provide planning protection to "green areas of particular importance" to local communities. Only two Neighbourhood Plans are currently being developed within the District and there is no certainty that either of these will be accepted by the District Council and Planning Inspectorate.</p> <p>Protecting Community Assets needs to be wider than just heritage and landscape assets. This will exclude other assets which may not be in those categories.</p>	<p>Noted. The protection of open spaces and community facilities are covered by local plan policies IF1 and IF2.</p>		<p>David Bigby</p>	<p>Private individual</p>
<p>why has the local plan not been drawn up in partnership for Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire when the major employment area is on the boundary of the three counties</p> <p>Are NWLDC basing new housing needs on all workers living in the district?</p>	<p>As part of preparing the Local Plan both the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire authorities have been consulted.</p> <p>North West Leicestershire lies within the Leicester and Leicestershire Housing Market Area (HMA) . The NPPF requires that we work with the HMA authorities to identify and then meet the housing requirements for the HMA and individual authorities. The evidence that informs the Local Plan in terms of future housing and employment requirements is based at HMA level.</p> <p>It is acknowledged that not everybody will live and work within North West Leicestershire, this is reflected within the housing numbers.</p>		<p>Paul McCaffrey</p>	<p>NA</p>

<p>We are largely satisfied with the key issues as detailed in Table 1.</p> <p>We would suggest that brownfield development is mentioned in the section on 'Pollution'.</p> <p>Suggested wording for inclusion in this table as follows "Brownfield development where contamination issues must be addressed and other development where pollution prevention measures should be adopted."</p> <p>Although we note that new developments may need to be built outside of the existing urban area on greenfield sites, the development of brownfield sites is encouraged as it provides an opportunity to remove areas of contamination that would otherwise continue to present a risk to our environment, controlled waters and human health. It is important that adequate site investigation and remediation is carried out and groundwater issues are considered.</p> <p>This approach is important for NW Leicestershire as the district is situated on principal and secondary aquifers. These are layers of rock or drift deposits that provide a high level of water storage. They may support water supply and/or river base flow on a strategic scale. Secondary aquifers are permeable layers capable of supporting water supplies at a local rather than strategic scale, and in some cases forming an important source of base flow to rivers.</p> <p>Flooding</p> <p>Flood risk stated only refers to flooding from rivers. Suggest this paragraph is expanded to include reference to other areas in the south west part of the district that are prone to surface water flooding.</p> <p>Within the Nature Conservation key issue it should not just single out the SAC & SSSI designations. The issue should be broadened to include the protection and enhancement of water bodies in accordance with the Water Framework Directive and the Humber River Basin Management Plan 2015.</p>	<p>It is agreed that the reference to Pollution Table 1 should be amended.</p>	<p>Table 1 pollution will be amended to state "Need to avoid further deterioration of air quality in the 5 Air Quality Management Areas which largely linked to transport related issues. In addition, need to ensure that new development is not itself detrimentally affected by noise and pollution and deals with any onsite land contamination issues".</p>	<p>Geoff Platts</p>	<p>Environment Agency</p>
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<p>The local plan should also seek to safeguard cultural facilities, such as theatres, museums, libraries, etc.</p> <p>Paragraph 156 and 70 of the NPPF note that policies for cultural facilities are to be provided to protect and enhance cultural facilities. In particular Paragraph 70 states ‘that to deliver the social, recreational and cultural facilities and services that the community needs, planning policies and decisions should plan for the use of shared space and guard against unnecessary loss of valued facilities. Also to ensure that established facilities and services are retained and able to develop for the benefit of the community’.</p>	<p>Further consideration will be given to these issues in policies IF1 and IF2.</p>		<p>Ross Anthony</p>	<p>The Theatres Trust</p>
<p>Blackfordby is down as a sustainable village, which is deemed to be able to provide for people if further developed. Blackfordby does not have enough amenities to be classed as a sustainable village and any developer would need to demonstrate spare capacity within the amenities of neighbouring areas before a development could be seen as credible.</p> <p>Woodville does not have any spare capacity as I have already spoke to Derbyshire County Council at a local meeting and Woodvile Parish Council also.</p>	<p>Blackfordby has been assessed as sustainable as it has number of key services including a primary school, public house, village hall, church and public transport which allows local people to access employment and other services without the use of a car.</p>		<p>Mrs Melanie Warren</p>	<p>Mrs Melanie Warren</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Lance Wiggins</p>	<p>Landmark Planning</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Martin Horridge</p>	<p>n/a - personal comment</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Mr. & Mrs Loveless</p>	<p>Retired</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Ruth Hamm</p>	<p>teacher</p>

<p>Please see further comments but I feel betrayed and unsupported NWLDC because previously protected areas are being abandoned and little or nothing appears to be in place to protect and preserve the village. Every settlement changes over time and no I have no issue with proportionate and genuinely sustainable development but the Local Plan seems to be an open invitation to developers to build virtually wherever they want. The village has already had a flurry of applications which want to change the nature of the village; the proposed development on Church Hall Field (this year) noted that the village was accessed by small lanes and high hedges which it proposed to remove for better access. Will NWLDC understand, value and protect it's cultural and historic assets or will it simply cave in? That is a fundamental issue not addressed - although identified in objectives 10,11 and 12 - in the Local Plan which seems to give far greater consideration to development than it does to conservation.</p>	<p>The role of the Local Plan is to promote future development and to guide it to the most sustainable settlements, whilst balancing with the need to protect existing assets. This is has to be seen in the context of a pro-growth agenda reflected in the NPPF which requires that the Council "boost significantly the supply of housing" and that the housing needs are met in full. The lack of an up-to date Local Plan coupled with the need to be able to demonstrate a 5 year supply of housing land has resulted in the Council having to support developments which it might not otherwise have wanted to.</p>		Chris and Sue Nicholls	TMBS
<p>I feel that some areas of my village, which were previously protected by policies such as the Ancient Monument Policy, are now vulnerable to developers as this policy has been dropped. I feel very strongly that NWLDC should reinstate this policy to protect assets such as the Church, Church field and Moat House within the village.</p>	<p>Ancient Monuments are still protected however there is no need to include these on the policies map as these are protected under separate legislation.</p>		Clare Marsh	Appleby resident
<p>Under accessibility there needs to be consideration given to preventing development leading to delays, severe delays traffic gridlock in the surrounding developments. To be truly sustainable, transport links to and from developments must not lead to excessive journey times and the associated pollution and decrease in quality of life.</p>	<p>The NPPF requires that development should only be prevented on transport grounds where the "impacts of development are severe". The Council has to accord with this. The draft Local Plan is supported by traffic modelling and is prepared in consultation with the Highways Authority. In order to assess the impacts of new development onto the highways network.</p>		Tim Gregory	Ashby Control Engineering Ltd.
<p>the plan underestimates the impact of increased housing in Ashby and the Ashby area</p>	<p>The Local Plan has been subject to a Sustainability Appraisal and has been prepared in consultation with both infrastructure and service providers.</p>		Christopher Bush	NA
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		Mr. j Lewis	1950
<p>Insufficient emphasis is given to the protection of existing green spaces in and around our communities , greater protection is needed given developer's appetite to build houses and solar farms wherever they think they can get away with it .</p> <p>Insufficient emphasis is given to the potential of the National Forest , and the NEW long-distance National Forest Way , to step-change tourism in</p>	<p>Protection of existing green spaces is supported elsewhere within the Local Plan. Green Infrastructure which promotes routes for walking and cycling is recognised in para 9.2 to 9.4 of and policy IF1 of the draft Local Plan. The protection and enhancement of the National Forest is covered by policy En3.</p>		Michael Ball	Individual

the District .				
<p>a) The need for keeping land available for agriculture. Britain only produces around 60% of it's food and in an increasingly insecure world with increasing temperatures and more extreme weather patterns, this is not a secure or sustainable position to inhabit. The evidence to support this is self evident in the new limits to development proposed in the Draft Local plan.</p> <p>b) The loss of biodiversity is not being taken into consideration enough. This is not just a 'woolly' green issue. The services carried out by the natural world are vital.</p> <p>c) A less tangible issue perhaps, is the sense of well being given by space and the lower mortality rate coming from lower air pollution.</p>	These issues are noted and highlighted in table 1.		Steve Johnson	YYYY
Local Plan needs to reflect the Village Design Statement.	The Local Plan, once adopted, will form part of the Development Plan for North West Leicestershire. A Village Design Statement is a Supplementary Planning Document which does not have the same status as the Local Plan.		Mrs Paula Ashfield	Paula Ashfield
No	Noted		Hugh James	n/a

<p>Although, I would like the below mentioned to also be considered / given additional weighting:</p> <p>I'm of the opinion that adequate policies should be in place to create protection zones for existing communities / hamlets, such as Abbott's Oak, from inappropriate development and urban sprawl.</p> <p>I would like to see the land at Greenhill Farm, south side of Greenhill Road, Coalville, Leicestershire, protected from any future development, for the below mentioned reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o This particular area of land is confirmed as an important wildlife corridor linking Bardon Hill SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest), Charnwood Lodge NNR (National Nature Reserve), Holly Rock Fields SSSI, and Coalville Meadows SSSI. o This site lies outside of the town's identified Limits to Development, as defined in the North West Leicestershire Local Plan, and is considered best and most versatile agricultural land. o This site is visible from particular points of interest to Coalville, and very much in the landscape between Bardon Hill and Warren Hills. For anybody familiar with Leicestershire, and Bardon Hill (being the highest point in Leicestershire) would confirm that this area and its incredible views of Leicestershire, is very much a jewel in the Crown of North West Leicestershire. o To both Coalville residents and the wider local Leicestershire area, these fields are a valued asset to the community, considered of high community and landscape value. With this particular area being considered as an attractive gateway to Coalville, in what I would consider a tranquil area. 	<p>Noted. Land at Greenhill Road has recently been the subject of an appeal and is now the subject of a legal challenge.</p>		<p>J Ball</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>WYG, on behalf of TNT UK Limited, have provided a separate detailed response in relation to this and with particular reference to the TNT's Lount Hub.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>		<p>Nick Bowden</p>	<p>WYG</p>
<p>Recreation and open space not specifically identified, although picked up in Objectives 1 and 14. Understand that there is an under-provision of recreation space in Ashby.</p>	<p>Need to respond</p>		<p>Tim Abbott</p>	<p>Householder</p>

<p>There is insufficient reference to protecting the countryside properly, protecting views to Bardon Hill - which is the highest point in Leicestershire and, as such, should be protected as a cultural interest point and can be used in the future to generate leisure, science and natural history interest.</p> <p>There is no reference to ecological networks nor their importance in providing green corridors to facilitate the relocation/spread of species to increase biodiversity elsewhere. It is right to protect the homes of the species (e.g. badgers) but said species must also feed and move around. The Local Plan makes no provision for such items.</p> <p>There are few tools in the armoury to protect areas of countryside which may not be required at the moment, will become extremely important in the future should a.n.other area of countryside be developed for other purposes i.e. bardon hill quarry extension - a necessary and important development for the area. This is resulting in the loss of huge areas of countryside and the pressure on remaining fields/countryside is now increased however, there is no protection (that will stand up under legal scrutiny) to protect those areas now!</p> <p>Statutory Cnosultees do no thave sufficient tools in their armoury to stop inappropriate development - this is the only chance NWLDC have and the Planning Officers must be armed with robust and sensible Policies not waffle or vague ambiguous wording that can be challenged in a Planning inquiry situation - for example: the EA do not consider heritage etc. when deciding on flood risk. Nor do they address the suitability of the flood storage solutions as appropriate development for a site for its new residents or existing residents. This creates conflict. Also, for ecological purposes, developers are not required to consider adjacent site uses etc. from an ecological network point of view therefore it becomes very difficult to protect green infrastructure if a single protected species is not identified.</p> <p>Also, the Plan objectives do not refer to biodiversity in the right way. At present, with the developer led NPPF, we have development being approved merely because it will increase biodiversity at a site. This is simply a numbers</p>	<p>The Local Plan covers the protection of the Countryside through draft Local Plan Policy S4, the draft Local Plan cannot go into as much detail as to state different viewpoints within the district, however the local plan is supported by several evidence base documents which officers and members will refer to when determining planning applications.</p> <p>The protection and enhancement of ecological networks is covered by Local Plan Policy En1.</p> <p>It is only the role of statutory consultees to respond to their specialist area in relation to the planning application i.e. Environment Agency and Flood Risk. It is the role of planning officers to bring all of the consultation responses together to make a balanced decision, by weighing up all of the issues.</p>		Jane Tebbatt	Quarrying
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<p>exercise and therefore ridiculous. By planting gardens with non-native or domestic species and thereby attracting certain insects etc. a site is deemed positive development however, we are removing habitat for other species which will not thrive around a housing development - e.g. grassland. Further, we already have considerable industrial and housing development therefore we already have habitat for all of these species throughout the district.</p> <p>Please be strong and insert adequate Policies to protect our land from such inappropriate development.</p>				
We are assuming that Health Care Provision comes under the services and facilities section of your grid	Health Care provision is covered by services and facilities		Heather Parish Council	Heather Parish Council
Yes	Noted		JON WALTERS	LPT
No	Noted		Mrs Penny Bicknell	Les Stephan Planning Ltd
Preservation of the National Forest. While a forest is inherently rural, a great deal of building on greenfield sites is being allowed within the area of the National Forest.	Noted. EN3 sets out the requirements for new development to ensure it complements the National Forest setting.		Lesley Colley	None
<p>Firstly, no provision is outlined for the building of additional community amenities. The impact of the additional housing, business premises and shopping areas will mean more people live in the area. These people also require amenities such as education and health care. The strategy identifies that development should not detrimentally effect such services for residents of the area, so I argue that the Local Plan should include a section to address the development of required amenities, like it addresses the development of shopping areas and business areas.</p> <p>The Local Plan should outline that any proposed development should demonstrate the current capacity of local services and their ability to continue to provide the service to additional residents if the development is granted.</p> <p>Some developments go ahead with section 106 agreements where money is pledged to support the expansion of amenities to cope with additional housing. However, the current level of capacity & service before the development and the predicted capacity of service required as a result of the development need to be established or the section 106 pledge could be squandered on anything. The section 106 agreement pledges should be laid out as such to demonstrate how the levels of service to</p>	<p>The Local Plan will be supported by an Infrastructure Delivery Plan which will highlight any shortfalls in the supporting services and facilities. As part of preparing the local plan the relevant service and infrastructure providers have been consulted.</p> <p>The draft Local Plan also includes policy IF2 which looks to protect existing and deliver new community facilities as part of new development.</p> <p>Developments which are subject to a S106 are closely monitored to ensure that when the development reaches certain triggers set out within the S106 agreement a contribution is made. S106 agreements have to be drafted in such a way that they relate to a specific project and cannot therefore be spent anything i.e. a new classroom at X school.</p> <p>Housing Density is not included within the Local Plan as this needs to be determined on a site by site basis. It would be inappropriate for example to have a high density development in a rural location compared to the built up area within a town. The issue of design of new development is covered by draft Local Plan policy S5.</p>		Alison Saxby	N/A

<p>residents can be maintained; otherwise how can it be quantified that the agreement is sufficient or sustainable? To be consistent with the main strategy of the Local Plan, whereby residents maintain their local services and are not detrimentally effected by development, the Plan needs to ask for evidence of the services required match those available and demonstrate how any shortfall in services can be addressed.</p> <p>Secondly, housing density is also not addressed by the Local Plan. There needs to be guidance or at least reference to external guidance on what levels of housing density are acceptable within our district and how this may vary in relation to the level of services catered for in the local vicinity. A densely populated development without good transport or services links is not sustainable. So this needs to be questioned by the Local Plan so that a realistic proposal is put forward.</p>				
<p>The Local plan does not deal with the existing local parking or highway issues – proposals are required to re-balance the current arrangement.</p> <p>There is no reference to the student population in Kegworth, which is unique in NWLDC and due to the University of Nottingham Campus at Sutton Bonington; Students now occupy approximately 10% of the houses in Kegworth and have a disproportionate amount of vehicles.</p> <p>Kegworth is in close proximity to the East Midlands Parkway just north of the A453 though has poor transport links. The Nottingham Tram now has a terminus south of Clifton, with a potential link to Derby via EMA; we would hope that NWLDC will be proactive in enabling this to link to EMA and East Midlands Parkway.</p> <p>Whilst the need to limit pollution is identified there is no overriding issue identifying the need for sustainable development and the need to tackle climate change.</p>	<p>It is not the role of the local plan to consider existing parking issues, the local plan can only set car parking standards for new developments over the plan period.</p> <p>The need to tackle climate change is covered by objective 8 within the draft Local Plan. The need for sustainable development is the golden thread running through the local plan, this is accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework.</p>		Vicky Roe	Kegworth Parish Council

<p>It is not considered that there has been meaningful cooperation between the Planning Authority and South Derbyshire with regard to the land west of Albert Village and specifically regarding the land that is owned by my clients which is shown red on the attached plans. The District and County boundaries run through my client's land of some 21 hectares which is effectively attached to the urban area of Swadlincote and Woodville. The area of land within South Derbyshire is allocated for employment in their emerging Local Plan as Site ref E1C which is a strategic employment site of 12 hectares that relates to the wider regeneration of the areas north of Occupation Lane. This regeneration zone includes proposals for the regeneration link road that will provide a link between Occupation Lane and the A 514</p> <p>The lack of cooperation is manifest in the proposed development boundaries for Albert Village and the proposal to maintain the land north of Occupation Lane within an area of open countryside which is at odds with the regeneration plans for the adjoining land and fails to support those initiatives and proposed land uses.</p>	<p>South Derbyshire District Council have been consulted as part of the preparation of the draft Local Plan.</p>		<p>Tom Beavin</p>	<p>jvh planning</p>
<p>We feel that the issue of 'place-making' / characteristics of settlements deserves identification. This has elements of landscape, nature conservation and heritage (currently identified as issues) but is distinct from them. It also includes issues of identity and community (and what holds them together). This is covered to some extent in Objective 10 (next question) so if it is to be an objective it should relate to the issues which proceed them.</p>	<p>The characteristics of each of the settlements is covered within Background Paper 2 to define the settlement hierarchy. The need to create attractive places is a requirement set out by para 58 of the NPPF.</p>		<p>Lindsay Gene</p>	<p>Appleby Magna Parish Council</p>
<p>The issue of a 'sense of place' through 'place-making' / characteristics of settlements deserves identification. This has elements of landscape, nature conservation and heritage – and the relationship between all of them</p>	<p>The characteristics of settlements are covered within background paper 2 in order to identify the settlement hierarchy. The need to create attractive places is a requirement set out by para 58 of the NPPF.</p>		<p>Sonia Liff</p>	<p>Chair Appleby Environment</p>

<p>1. Lack of any Specific detail on how the Plan is to be achieved, timetabled & delivered within the Plan Period. Evidence - Document text is paraphrased throughout with 'seek to deliver' without specific direct accountability to show the community how it will be achieved.</p> <p>2. Lack of identification & clarity on all infrastructure needs from highways, public transport, education, NHS to utility upgrades. Evidence – draft Local Plan simply indicates 'seek to' rather than third party agreement on specific detail.</p> <p>3. The 2011 Census there were 16,930 people in NWL whose day to day activities are limited by disability. This was an increase of 11% since 2001. Demographic change suggests the figure will increase further over the plan period. The draft Local Plan shows no evidence of planning for the housing and employment needs of an ever growing ageing population with multiple disabilities. Evidence – no discussion within document</p> <p>4. Lack of identification of Social Housing needs. There are over 800 persons (and growing) on the Council's 'waiting list'. Evidence – the draft rattles on about 'affordable housing' but does not reflect the needs of those who cannot afford or obtain a mortgage. Nor does it identify land within the draft to build new social housing.</p> <p>5. Lack of 'joined up thinking' or continued 'silo working' both internally within the Council and with external bodies. Evidence – lack of public and accountable coordination with the Council's proposed Housing Strategy or the so called 'Coalville Project' etc</p>	<p>The detail of how the local plan is expected to be delivered will be set out within the monitoring framework, the timescale for the delivery of housing sites will be set out within the housing trajectory. A key component of when and how the local plan is delivered in down to the market in the delivery of housing sites.</p> <p>A Infrastructure Delivery Plan is being prepared to set out the infrastructure requirements for the delivery of the local plan.</p> <p>The Local Plan covers the needs of the ageing population by planning for different house types. Draft Local Plan Policy H6 also requires a provision of bungalows to be provided on sites of 50 or more dwellings.</p> <p>The Local Plan is being prepared and aligned where appropriate with both the Housing Strategy and Coalville Project.</p>		Sue McKendrick	Labour Group leader
<p>Table 1 to the Draft Plan provides a summary of the key issues facing the district. In relation to housing reference is made to the need to ensure the provision of housing to meet the needs of [the] community,</p> <p>including the provision of housing for older people and families as well as affordable housing.</p> <p>As worded, this does not present a sufficiently clear summary of the key housing issue facing the district over the proposed plan period to 2031.</p>	<p>Noted, the wording will be changed to include rural communities, as this as identified as an issue within the SA Scoping Report.</p>		Guy Longley,	Pegasus Group on behalf of Davidsons Developments Limited.

<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (the Framework) requires local planning authorities through their local plans to look to boost significantly the supply of housing (para 47). In order to deliver a wide choice of high quality homes, widen opportunities for home ownership and create sustainable, inclusive and mixed communities, paragraph 50 advises local planning authorities to;</p> <p>Plan for a mix of housing based on current and future demographic trends, market trends and the needs of different groups in the community;</p> <p>Identify the size, type, tenure and range of housing that is required in particular locations, reflecting local demand;</p> <p>Where they have identified that affordable housing is needed, set policies for meeting this need on site, unless off-site provision or a financial contribution can be justified.</p> <p>Paragraphs 54 and 55 of the Framework deal with proposals for development in rural areas. The Framework advises local planning authorities to be responsive to local circumstances and plan for housing to reflect local needs, including for affordable housing. To promote sustainable development in rural areas, housing should be located where it will enhance or maintain the vitality or rural communities.</p> <p>It is important that the plan is clear about the housing issue for the district and the need to ensure that provision is made for a mix of housing and that the housing needs of the rural settlements are met. Table 1 should be amended to refer to the provision of a mix of housing, reflecting local demand, including meeting the needs of rural communities.</p>				
<p>Special landscapes, urban green spaces and community assets require protection. Use of S106 monies and infrastructure should be defined.</p>	<p>The protection of landscapes is covered by draft Local Plan policy S4, the protection of Open Spaces is covered by draft Local Plan policy IF3. Where S106 agreements will be sought this is included throughout the plan as part of the relevant policies.</p>		<p>C Tandy</p>	<p>Ashby de la Zouch Civic Society</p>

<p>Pollution:</p> <p>Noise associated with main roads, East Midlands Airport and Donnington Park already have notable impacts on the local area including recreational and heritage sites such as Calke Abbey in nearby South Derbyshire. We therefore recommend that noise as well as air pollution is identified as an issue in the district.</p> <p>Landscape:</p> <p>In order better align with the NPPF (paragraph 109) we request the following change to this issue:</p> <p>“There is a varied landscape in terms of character and appearance. New development needs to reflect this in its design and layout, whilst Valued landscapes should be protected and enhanced. The National forest and Charnwood Forest are major assets where enhancement will benefit the district.”</p> <p>Heritage</p> <p>The heritage issue could be clarified and better aligned with NPPF terminology as follows:</p> <p>“The provision of new development needs to be achieved whilst also paying due regard to the protection conserving and enhancing ement of assets of heritage assets value.</p>	<p>Noted. There are five AQMA's identified in the plan area, this has been identified with table 1 under the heading pollution.</p> <p>Noise is already recognised within table 1.</p>		<p>Kim Miller</p>	<p>National Trust</p>
<p>We do not have any specific comments to make in response to these question.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>		<p>Tim Evans</p>	<p>Bilfinger GVA</p>
<p>Accessibility is identified as a key issue, this could be extended to include 'transport' as the district's transport links are also an important economic strength and enablers of development.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>		<p>Jon Bottomley</p>	<p>East Midlands Airport</p>
<p>We feel that the issue of a 'sense of place' through 'place-making' / characteristics of settlements deserves identification. This has elements of landscape, nature conservation and heritage – and the relationship between all of them. It is also about identity and community (and what holds them together). This is covered to some extent in Objective 10 (next question) so if it is to be an objective it should relate to the issues which proceed them.</p>	<p>The key issues of distinctiveness are covered by table 1 under the headings of landscape and heritage. The characteristics of each of the settlements is covered within Background Paper 2 to define the settlement hierarchy. The need to create attractive places is a requirement set out by para 58 of the NPPF.</p>		<p>Sonia Liff, Chair Appleby Environment</p>	<p>Appleby Environment, a long standing community organisation</p>

<p>The draft Local Plan at Table 1 provides a summary of the key issues for the district. In relation to housing, reference is made to the need to ensure the provision of housing to meet the needs of the community, including provision of housing for older people and families, as well as affordable housing.</p> <p>Section 6 of the National Planning Policy Framework (the Framework) deals with delivering a wide choice of high quality homes. Paragraph 47 requires local planning authorities to boost significantly the supply of housing, through using their evidence base to ensure that the Local Plan meets the full, objectively assessed housing needs for market and affordable housing. Paragraphs 54 and 55 deal specifically with development in rural areas. For rural areas this means that local planning authorities should be responsive to local circumstances and plan housing development to reflect local needs, particularly for affordable housing (paragraph 54). The Framework is clear that to promote sustainable development in rural areas, housing should be located where it will enhance or maintain the vitality of rural communities (paragraph 55). Table 1 should therefore be amended to account for the need to provide housing to meet the needs of rural communities.</p>	<p>Noted. Table 1 will be amended to refer to meeting the housing needs of all communities.</p>	<p>Amend table 1 to state " Ensure provision of housing to meet the needs of all communities, including provision of housing for older people and families as well as affordable housing".</p>	<p>Pegasus Group on behalf of Stuart Andrews</p>	<p>Pegasus Group</p>
<p>Yes. Firstly, no provision is outlined for the building of additional community amenities. The impact of the additional housing, business premises and shopping areas will mean more people live in the area. These people also require amenities such as education and health care. The strategy identifies that development should not detrimentally effect such services for residents of the area, so I argue that the Local Plan should include a section to address the development of required amenities, like it addresses the development of shopping areas and business areas.</p> <p>The Local Plan should outline that any proposed development should demonstrate the current capacity of local services and their ability to continue to provide the service to additional residents if the development is granted.</p> <p>Some developments go ahead with section 106 agreements where money is pledged to support the expansion of amenities to cope with additional</p>	<p>The provision for additional community services as part of new development is covered by draft Local Plan policy IF2. An infrastructure delivery plan is currently being prepared which will set out the current capacity of services and facilities and the requirements of these services and facilities to accommodate further growth. It should be noted that the relevant infrastructure and service providers have been consulted as part of the preparation of the draft Local Plan.</p> <p>When S106 agreements are drafted they have to be clear what project the S106 agreements are required for e.g. a new class room at XX School.</p> <p>As all development schemes should be assessed on a site by site basis, housing densities are not set out in the local plan. Good Design is encouraged as part of draft Local Plan Policy S5: Design of new Development.</p>		<p>Mrs. A Saxby</p>	<p>n/a</p>

<p>housing. However, the current level of capacity & service before the development and the predicted capacity of service required as a result of the development need to be established or the section 106 pledge could be squandered on anything. The section 106 agreement pledges should be laid out as such to demonstrate how the levels of service to residents can be maintained; otherwise how can it be quantified that the agreement is sufficient or sustainable? To be consistent with the main strategy of the Local Plan, whereby residents maintain their local services and are not detrimentally effected by development, the Plan needs to ask for evidence of the services required match those available and demonstrate how any shortfall in services can be addressed.</p> <p>Secondly, housing density is also not addressed by the Local Plan. There needs to be guidance or at least reference to external guidance on what levels of housing density are acceptable within our district and how this may vary in relation to the level of services catered for in the local vicinity. A densely populated development without good transport or services links is not sustainable. So this needs to be questioned by the Local Plan so that a realistic proposal is put forward.</p>				
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<p>The Local Plan sets out a number of issues that the Local Plan needs to address based upon the Scoping Report. The issue relating to housing should be expanded to state that the Local Plan should meet the full housing needs of both the urban and rural community and should make reference to the Government's new agenda for the provision of Starter Homes. This could also be reflected in objective 2.</p> <p>In terms of the Services and Facilities issue this should also be expanded to make reference to ensuring that the services and facilities in both urban and rural communities are appropriate to meet needs as rural services and facilities are often forgotten and may be under threat if not supported by growth in the rural population.</p> <p>In terms of Landscape it must be recognised that any landscape designation should be based on robust and justified evidence that should not be used to place a blanket protection on large swathes of countryside that prevents the Council from meeting their full need for housing. This should be reflected through objective 12.</p> <p>Objective 3 is too onerous and subjective and should not refer to high architectural quality. It is sufficient for the objective to refer to the delivery of high quality development as required by para 57 of the Framework.</p>	<p>The key issues table is a summary for the whole district and there isn't a distinction made on the actions for the urban and rural communities.</p> <p>Starter Homes have come about after the draft Local Plan was prepared and will be considered as the plan moves forward.</p>		Phil Bamford	Gladman on behalf of Wilton Balmore.
<p>Key issue not covered. North/South divide. Draw a line across the narrowest part of N W Leicestershire. North of the line is 50% of the area of the district with less than 25 of the population but it provides over 50% of the business rates and is represented by less than 25% of the elected members (9 out of 38). Historically this area has received little investment in facilities and amenities. A key issue not covered is how NWLDC will redress this imbalance and support these communities in the light of a significant increase in development in the next 15 years.</p>	<p>The role of the local plan is to both set out how the environment will be protected whilst how new growth can be delivered and supported with new and existing infrastructure. Development in Castle Donington already has the benefit of planning and this includes the provision of additional infrastructure.</p>		Fiona Palmer, Clerk to the Parish Council	Castle Donington Parish Council

Question 2 – Objectives

<p>Question 2</p> <p>Do you agree that the identified strategic objectives are appropriate for North West Leicestershire?</p> <p>Should any changes be made? If so, please identify what changes should be made.</p>	<p>NWL response</p>	<p>Any changes required?</p>	<p>Name</p>	<p>Business or organisation name;</p>
<p>More regard to the transport needs - private car travel is the only real option for many residents who travel to work because of the limited public transport options. I realise that this is outside of the control of NWLDC however improving transport infrastructure should have higher prominence as it is crucial to improving the economy of the district.</p>	<p>Objective 4 recognises the need to have regard to the travel implications of proposed development. Objective 14 seeks to ensure the provision of infrastructure required to support new development, including all forms of transport.</p>		<p>Lisa Marron</p>	<p>Resident</p>
<p>Needs to consider ashby neighbourhood plan</p>	<p>Answer as above.</p>		<p>Mr s Whitehouse</p>	<p>Personal</p>
<p>4.4 objectives. Objective 1. NPPF section 8, 69 – 70 identifies crime and disorder matters, and indeed facilities, as inextricable elements in community health and inclusion. That being the case I don't think this is reflected in draft objective 7.</p> <p>In all the other objectives there are actions to pursue so that these can be attained. I don't believe that considering community safety is enough. The strategic objective in your draft Core Strategy was more suitable, concerned with securing community safety, and I commend it to you as still appropriate. It was smarter than what now appears. Your Policy S1 picks up the point that development should be secured which improves the sustainability of the area. I believe that should link to a smart objective on community safety.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Community Safety is considered by objective 7 but it is considered that it would be appropriate to amend it to make it more positive.</p> <p>The withdrawn Core Strategy Objective SO10 'Improve community safety and reduce crime, the fear of crime and anti social behaviour ' . Is more of a strategic very high level objective and does not relate directly to land use planning.</p>	<p>Amend Objective 7 to state " Enhance community safety"</p>	<p>Michael Lambert</p>	<p>Leicestershire Police</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Stephen Saxby</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Add an objective to attract hi-tech business, as there is a huge opportunity here - both to provide jobs for the future (as this industry will provide the bulk of jobs in ten years) and to provide the biggest boost to economic regeneration.</p>	<p>Noted. Objective 5 - Supports economic growth throughout the district and provision of a diverse range of employment opportunities.</p>		<p>Mark Chadbourn</p>	<p>Emerald Eye Ltd</p>
<p>Landscaping is all well and good, but nothing compares to established green fields laced with public footpaths, which are slowly being eroded away.</p>	<p>Noted. Objective 11 states "Protect and enhance the natural environment including the districts biodiversity and geodiversity areas identified for their importance.</p>		<p>Alison Wright</p>	<p>Heather Parish Council</p>

<p>Page 20 ,objective 13. Both the County Council and District Council jointly undertake refuse collection from household wheely bins and the disposal of the refuse. Refuse collection is a service which intimately affects every household. Recycling prominently appears in the District Councils literature but refuse collection is not mentioned in the draft local plan. Without refuse collection, old and new housing developments would be, to use the Councils favourite word , unsustainable ! in the Local plan attention should be given to refuse collection and disposal.</p> <p>objective 9. the draft local plan advocates "ensuring the effective use of sustainable urban drainage systems2. without effective drainage systems no development would function properly.</p>	<p>The comments regarding drainage noted. It is not the role of the Local Plan to deal with issues of refuse collection.</p>		<p>Gerald Dalby</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>List of objectives.</p> <p>These are not objectives. To be an acceptable objective they must be SMART. That is</p> <p>Specific,</p> <p>Measurable,</p> <p>Achievable,</p> <p>Realistic,</p> <p>Timely,</p> <p>What is listed on page 20 cannot in any way be considered objectives. For an organisation such as the Council this really isn't good enough. Obviously Council employees need some basic business management training. (See Locke 1986)</p>	<p>A monitoring framework is being prepared to support the Local Plan. The objectives prepared to support the local plan are specific for the delivery of each policy. It is noted that the relationship between each policy and objective needs to be made clearer within the Local Plan.</p>		<p>Steve Palmer</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>Yes</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Keith and Sandra Goodwin</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>Objective 8 - Does this include provisions for renewable energy?</p> <p>Objective 11 - Does this not contradict plans for the SRFI.</p>	<p>Objective 8 - covers many aspects which could either reduce the impact of climate change (e.g. Reducing the amount of CO2 produced) or by allowing for adaptation (e.g. incorporation of sustainable urban drainage systems).</p> <p>Objective 11- Noted but the objectives are for the whole of the district not just specific sites.</p>		<p>Samantha Lockwood</p>	<p>Long Whatton and Diseworth Parish Council</p>
<p>Yes</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Mr Robert Harlow</p>	<p>Harlow Bros Ltd</p>

<p>The data included in the plan in terms of the population increase between the 2001 and 2011 census and the age profile of the current population is not reflected at all in this plan. The age profile of the population in this area is increasing why is this simple, clear fact not reflected at all in this plan. It is therefore not a plan that would support the current population and one can only conclude that this is a plan to attract more people into this area? This is very insulting to the current residents and implies that our needs are not considered important.</p>	<p>The role of the draft Local Plan is to provide housing and employment opportunities for the future population, whilst protecting existing services and facilities and the environment for the existing population. The ageing population is considered as part of the draft Local Plan in a number of policies including the following:</p> <p>S5:Design- new housing developments are expected to meet the Building for Life 12 standards, which includes access to properties.</p> <p>H6- House types and mix - which states that on developments over dwellings a proportion of bungalows and dwellings which are suitable for occupation or easily adaptable for people with disabilities, will need to be provided.</p>		Olive kearins	Na
<p>I find that the local draft plan is ill thought out and seems to be just adding to what there is at Ashby, Coalville etc., Where is the clear sky thinking for developing a new principle town based nearer to work opportunities adjacent to the airport. Yes it will cost more but developers will then pay the real cost of building additional homes rather than being subsidised. Adding additional homes to the extent that is proposed around ashby does not consider the traffic within the town, the local services which are incapable of coping currently!</p> <p>Castle Donington has the potential to be another principle town in the right location and shows clear insight rather than putting houses in bits of spare land in various villages and town. Do a proper analysis and out the houses where they are needed.</p>	<p>The issue of a potential new settlement has been considered as part of the Sustainability Appraisal. It was not considered to be a reasonable option at this time. In order to comply with the NPPF the Council has to be able to demonstrate that what it proposes is deliverable and there is no evidence to suggest that a new settlement would deliverable.</p> <p>In terms of Castle Donington physical constraints prohibit any further significant development in this locality.</p>		David Harris	Pyrotect Ltd
<p>Without the designation of the Local Green Space comprising the Bath Grounds Green Corridor between the Royal Hotel and Ashby Castle the strategic objectives are inadequate.</p>	<p>An objective such as that suggested is too specific for the local plan, however there are objectives that seek to protect the historic heritage and natural environment.</p>		Colin Eaton	Colin Eaton
<p>There shouldn't be so much growth of housing in Ashby - not enough school places and road network inadequate as it is</p>	<p>The growth of Ashby has been assessed as part of the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of the preparation of the draft Local Plan all infrastructure and service providers have been consulted and additional infrastructure requirements are identified.</p>		Simon Litchfield	Resident

Objective 6 – the regeneration of Coalville is an important objective but must not be at the detriment of the vitality of other town centres or the neglect of pockets of deprivation in other parts of the District. A new objective concerning the protection and enhancement of existing green spaces needs adding.	Objective 6 relates to all of the districts and local centres, "however the objective recognises the need to secure the regeneration of Coalville Town Centre having regard to the findings of the Retail Capacity Study 2015". The protection of and enhancement of green spaces is covered by objective 14.		Karen Edwards, Deputy Town Clerk	Ashby de la Zouch Town Council
Yes			Angela Cornell	Fisher German
Healthcare and dental facilities are at the limit, who would close the health centre in the middle of town and move it 2 miles away ? The Roads already suffer major delays / tail backs and the new lights at Wood Street will further compound the problem.	Noted. Objective 14 deals with the issue of infrastructure provision, including healthcare facilities.		Andrew Stone	NA
The plan says the right sort of things about the needs of the local population and protecting the landscape of the area but then goes on to ignore many of these objectives.	Noted.		Mary Lorimer	Not applicable
Proportionate across the whole area is the only fair and just means	The Local Plan objectives cover the whole of the district.		Trevor Davis	None
Agree strategic objectives are appropriate.	Noted.		Measham Parish Council	Measham Parish Council
Reference Coalville: The need to invest in a total Coalville centre overhaul is of paramount concern. It is an immediate and visual example of a districts deprivation and is an example of poor democratic control and investment. The Plan needs to spell out the immediate and long-term goals for this area and the impact on resources this will have for the District.	Objective 6 recognises the need to regenerate Coalville Town Centre. This is then supported by various policies in the Local Plan.		Edward Hines	N/A
A new objective is required to include protection and enhancement of existing green space, playing fields and recreation facilities.	The protection and enhancement of existing green spaces, playing fields and recreation facilities is covered by objective 10 and 11. Objective 14- Seek to deliver the infrastructure needs of the areas, including Green Infrastructure, where reasonable to do so and where consistent with delivering sustainable development. Green Infrastructure is the different types of high quality green spaces and connections between them are known as 'Green Infrastructure' . Green Infrastructure is used for recreation and leisure, provides routes for walking and cycling supports wildlife and helps us to manage flooding.		David Bigby	Private individual

<p>We agree that the identified strategic objectives are appropriate for North West Leicestershire. We do have the following comments to make in respect of amendments / additions to those objectives.</p> <p>Objective 9 – We suggest the wording is amended to include reducing flood risk across the district.</p> <p>Objective 11 - Protection of the water environment should be mentioned within the objectives. It probably best fits in within objective 11. This should perhaps be altered to read as follows, 'Protect and enhance the natural environment including the districts biodiversity, geodiversity and water environment areas identified for their importance'</p> <p>The Environment Agency has been tasked to implement the Water Framework Directive. Under the Water Framework Directive, the environmental objectives for groundwater and surface water bodies are:-</p> <p>§ To prevent deterioration in the status of water bodies, improve their ecological and chemical status and prevent further pollution.</p> <p>§ Aim to achieve good quantitative and good groundwater chemical status by 2027 in all water bodies. For a groundwater water body to be in overall 'good' status, both its quantitative and chemical status must be 'good'</p> <p>§ Implement actions to reverse any significant and sustained upward trends in pollutant concentrations in groundwater</p> <p>§ Comply with the objectives and standards for protected areas where relevant.</p> <p>§ Hazardous substances must be prevented from entry into groundwater and the entry into groundwater of all other pollutants must be limited to prevent pollution.</p> <p>§ Water supply and the disposal of sewage and foul water from any site should be discussed with the relevant water company and the Environment Agency to ensure no deterioration of surface water or groundwater quality.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>It is agreed to amend objectives 9 and 11</p>	<p>Amend objective 9 to include reference to flood risk across the district.</p> <p>Amend objective 11 to include reference to the water environment</p>	<p>Geoff Platts</p>	<p>Environment Agency</p>
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<p>The local plan should also seek to safeguard cultural facilities, such as theatres, museums, libraries, etc.</p> <p>The Trust recommends an additional objective along the lines of:</p> <p>Protect and enhance valued community and cultural facilities</p> <p>Paragraph 156 and 70 of the NPPF note that policies for cultural facilities are to be provided to protect and enhance cultural facilities. In particular Paragraph 70 states 'that to deliver the social, recreational and cultural facilities and services that the community needs, planning policies and decisions should plan for the use of shared space and guard against unnecessary loss of valued facilities. Also to ensure that established facilities and services are retained and able to develop for the benefit of the community'.</p>	<p>It is agreed to that reference is required in respect of cultural facilities.</p>	<p>Amend Objective 4 to include reference to cultural facilities</p>	<p>Ross Anthony</p>	<p>The Theatres Trust</p>
No	Noted		Mrs Melanie Warren	Mrs Melanie Warren
Yes	Noted		Lance Wiggins	Landmark Planning
Yes	Noted		Martin Horridge	n/a - personal comment
Yes	Noted		Mr. & Mrs Loveless	Retired
Yes	Noted		Ruth Hamm	teacher
No	Noted		Chris and Sue Nicholls	TMBS
<p>A further objective must be to fairly apportion housing developments across the district. The tables of potential developments years by year masks the developments already completed in Ashby during the plan period (from 2011) so does not give a true indication of the disproportionate scale of development planned to be blighted on Ashby.</p>	<p>The local plan cannot change the fact that many planning permissions are already in place and these are reflected in the distribution figures in the local plan.</p>		Tim Gregory	Ashby Control Engineering Ltd.
<p>there needs to be careful consideration of reducing the burden on people, traffic and housing, schools in the ashby and greater ashby area</p>	<p>As part of preparing the Local Plan the impact of new development on the supporting infrastructure has been assessed. An infrastructure delivery plan is also being prepared to support the delivery of the local plan. Draft Local Plan objective 14 seeks to deliver the infrastructure needs of the area and draft local plan H3 sets out infrastructure requirements as part of new allocations.</p>		Christopher Bush	NA
Yes	Noted		mr j lewis	1950

<p>The strategy seems largely to focus on what developers want. That is to give up more green fields which provide easier profits. Developers will keep building on these and will ignore brownfield sites. The CPRE has identified this vicious circle. More green fields are released-unaffordable houses are built-targets not met-more green fields are released and so on. The outcome will be more sprawl, while the heart of towns such as Coalville become increasingly desolate.</p>	<p>Noted. The Council has to provide for the future development needs of the district.</p>		<p>steve johnson</p>	<p>YYYY</p>
<p>Add - possibly to Objective 4, the need to plan for adequate parking within the vicinity of services, facilities, retail outlets etc. and to preserve the free flow of traffic in town centres and other centres of population (i.e. too much building results in unsustainable traffic levels)</p> <p>Add to objective 14 the intention to protect the identity and intrinsic attractiveness of the villages within the District</p>	<p>Car parking has not been identified as a key issue for the district and there it would not be considered appropriate to incorporate it into the objectives, however car parking is covered by draft Local Plan policy IF7.</p> <p>The character of villages is covered by a number of draft Local Plan objectives including objectives three and ten.</p>		<p>Lesley Birtwistle</p>	<p>not applicable</p>
<p>No</p>	<p>Noted</p>		<p>Mrs Paula Ashfield</p>	<p>Paula Ashfield</p>
<p>Reference to cultural provision could be included e.g. at objective 4 or 10</p>	<p>Noted objective 4 will be amended to include cultural facilities.</p>	<p>Amend objective 4 to include reference to cultural facilities</p>	<p>Hugh James</p>	<p>n/a</p>

<p>Although, I would like the below mentioned to also be considered / given additional weighting:</p> <p>I would like to see the land at Greenhill Farm, south side of Greenhill Road, Coalville, Leicestershire, protected from any future development, for the below mentioned reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o This particular area of land is confirmed as an important wildlife corridor linking Bardon Hill SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest), Charnwood Lodge NNR (National Nature Reserve), Holly Rock Fields SSSI, and Coalville Meadows SSSI. o This site lies outside of the town's identified Limits to Development, as defined in the North West Leicestershire Local Plan, and is considered best and most versatile agricultural land. o This site is visible from particular points of interest to Coalville, and very much in the landscape between Bardon Hill and Warren Hills. For anybody familiar with Leicestershire, and Bardon Hill (being the highest point in Leicestershire) would confirm that this area and its incredible views of Leicestershire, is very much a jewel in the Crown of North West Leicestershire. o To both Coalville residents and the wider local Leicestershire area, these fields are a valued asset to the community, considered of high community and landscape value. With this particular area being considered as an attractive gateway to Coalville, in what I would consider a tranquil area. 	<p>Noted. Land at Greenhill Road has recently been the subject of an appeal and is now the subject of a legal challenge.</p>		<p>J Ball</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>WYG, on behalf of TNT UK Limited, have provided a separate detailed response in relation to this and with particular reference to the TNT's Lount Hub.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>		<p>Nick Bowden</p>	<p>WYG</p>
<p>Objective 10 District's built, industrial and historic heritage - 'historic heritage' is a clumsy phrase! Is it cultural or social heritage that is being referred to?)</p> <p>Objective 14 identifies 'green infrastructure' as important component of development.</p>	<p>It is agreed that it would be appropriate to amend objective 10. Objective 14 noted.</p>	<p>Amend objective 10 to state 'Conserve and enhance the identity, character and diversity and local distinctiveness of the districts built, industrial and rural heritage and heritage assets'.</p>	<p>Tim Abbott</p>	<p>Householder</p>

<p>In the main, the theory behind the Policies is acceptable however they leave gaping gaps which will still allow of inappropriate development.</p> <p>Also include a Policy re forcing the Council to update their local plan in good time please to avoid such a mess next time when it is time to renew the Plan!</p> <p>Also include Policy that allows the Council to simply reject inadequate planning applications without need to placate developers merely trying to short circuit the system and complete the required works during consultation stage. This is unacceptable consultation from a local residents' point of view. If it is sub-standard, it gets rejected. Simple. Developers cannot argue with clear Policy.</p> <p>I would also ask that the Plan is not reliant upon sub-standard data or documents produced by 3rd parties e.g. PACEC report (already proved to have limitations during Gladman Planning Inquiry), 2008 Landscape report which is so littered with errors it is frankly embarrassing and WORRYING as a local resident that no-one has picked this up before.</p> <p>PACEC merely uses a formula to forecast job requirements etc. This is based on history and not on changing technologies which is reducing the need for jobs. We will soon be in a situation whereby we have too many houses because the jobs have not been created.</p> <p>There is insufficient reference to commuting dynamics with reference to job growth for EMG and the HMA Duty to Cooperate with other Districts in Notts and Derbyshire. Also, it is assumed that the c. 5 to 7000 jobs will be new jobs. In reality, suspect several businesses will merely relocate their operations from existing warehousing elsewhere in the neighbouring Districts. It is not guaranteed that those warehouses will gain new business. Several remain empty in the region. Therefore, there is no guarantee there will be new jobs nor that people will relocate for their new place of work.</p>	<p>A monitoring framework is being prepared to support the delivery of the Local Plan. This will include mechanisms which will trigger an early review of the plan or certain policies.</p> <p>Developers are required to consult local people before they submit planning applications under the Localism Act 2011. The Local Planning Authority then has to judge whether the level of consultation that has been carried out is adequate. This is therefore not a matter for the local plan.</p> <p>A Duty to Cooperate Statement is being prepared to show how joint working has taken place between the Leicestershire authorities. The other neighbouring authorities have been consulted as part of the preparation of the plan.</p> <p>The Local Plan is based on the most up to date information available and therefore has to plan for this need.</p> <p>The PACEC study assess the future economic needs and forecasts for the plan period, this is currently the most up to date evidence available to support the local pla</p>		Jane Tebbatt	Quarrying
<p>We would consider that retail services will be a huge challenge to persuade large chains to locate in the town</p>	<p>Noted.</p>		Heather Parish Council	Heather Parish Council

<p>Agree with the objectives, but not the direction that the plan is taking to achieve the objectives.</p> <p>Objective 2 - Support the delivery of new homes balanced with economic growth to provide a stock of housing that meets the needs of the community, including the need for affordable housing.</p> <p>Objective 4 –Ensure regard is had to reducing the need to travel and to maintaining access to services and facilities including jobs, shops, education, sport and recreation, green space, communication networks, health and social care.</p> <p>New homes and employment should be balanced and all of the housing needs of communities should be met. In this regard, we would urge the Authority to look at existing communities across the District, not the District as a whole community.</p> <p>The location of new development should reflect the fact that less than half of the District’s population reside in these two settlements. The approach of focussing growth on Coalville and Ashby would not achieve Objective 4 for the majority of the District’s population. Residents outside Coalville and Ashby De La Zouch should also be able to gain easy access to services and facilities.</p> <p>Proportionate, distributed growth across the District, within sustainable settlements (identified as sustainable in the hierarchy) is the key to sustainable development that accords with the NPPF, including importantly, social sustainability. This approach also accords with Objective 5 (Support economic growth throughout the district and the provision of a diverse range of employment opportunities).</p> <p>The strategy in relation to housing delivery, of focussing development in the main urban areas, through urban extensions, is out-dated, it is based on the revoked Regional Plan and has been unsuccessful in meeting housing needs across many Districts and Boroughs in the region, including North West Leicestershire.</p> <p>The focus of growth on principle urban areas is commonly accepted as sustainable, seemingly without question. But the lack of success of this</p>	<p>Noted that the objectives are supported and that matters relating to the development strategy are considered under draft Local Plan policy S3.</p>		<p>Tim Farley</p>	<p>Copesticks Ltd.</p>
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approach really must call into question the suitability of sustainable urban extensions in addressing the urgent need to meet housing requirements. We would suggest that a fundamental re-think is necessary.

The Authority has had great difficulties in recent years in delivering the necessary housing land supply. This was resolved only when the Authority was forced, by appeal decisions, to take a more liberal approach to the distribution of development, which led to more balanced growth across the District.

Our concern is that once again concentrating residential development on major urban areas albeit Ashby De La Zouch now, in addition to Coalville, the same problems will persist.

Distributed growth around the District, including greater growth in sustainable villages will increase the chances of the necessary housing numbers being delivered and could better and more sustainably meet identified needs.

The distributed approach for housing delivery (and to an extent employment) would also improve sustainability. Only half of the population of the District live in Coalville and Ashby, therefore, half the population live elsewhere, they go to school elsewhere and many will work elsewhere; engineering population growth to the higher order settlements will not be sustainable for these residents.

Furthermore, disproportionate growth means disproportionate funding for vital services, for example, as village populations age, fewer children in rural schools, fewer patients for rural surgeries and fewer customers for bus services when subsidies are increasingly at risk. Since the revocation of the Regional Plans and the National Planning Policy Framework was published, the definition of sustainable development has been clarified, sustainability is more than reducing travel needs, it includes social, economic and environmental aspects and housing in itself is deemed to be sustainable development.

The growth of the higher order settlements will increase choice and meet needs in Coalville and

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Ashby, for residents who already live in these areas, but the District is far more than Coalville and Ashby. The District is characterised by attractive villages and hamlets as well as the coal mining heritage. Provision of homes should meet the needs of people within, or as close as possible to their own communities.				
support the need for sport and recreation facilities	The need for sport and recreation facilities is covered by objective 14.		steve Beard	sport England
Encouragement of other housing opportunities; to look self-build/custom build.	Self build is covered by objective 2 ' support the delivery of new homes balanced with economic growth to provide a stock of housing that meets the needs of the community, including the need for affordable housing'.		Mrs Penny Bicknell	Les Stephan Planning Ltd
Please keep the rural nature of NW Leicestershire.	Noted.		Lesley Colley	None
We would like to see your Objective 1 (of the Local Plan) (P 20) revised to read; Promote the ongoing, physical and spiritual, health and wellbeing of the local community.	It is intended that spirituality is covered by well-being in objective 1.		Roland Wilson	Loughborough Gospel Halls Trust
In addition to objective 4, if the aim is to reduce the need to travel is linked to the reduce of personal vehicles, the plan also needs to have the objective of promoting the use of sustainable transport modes such as walking and cycling; looking for proposed developments to not only provide good walking and cycling links within the development but also to extend these beyond the development to eventually link up all existing networks within the county, otherwise the use of the new paths won't be maximised.	The promotion of walking and cycling links from proposed developments to other development is encouraged through Objective 14- seek to deliver the infrastructure needs of the area, including Green Infrastructure, where reasonable to do so and where consistent with delivering sustainable development.		Alison Saxby	N/A

<p>We strongly agree with Objective 2 – that new homes should meet the needs of the existing Community, as a priority, before meeting the needs of incomers to the Community.</p> <p>Objective 6 – Whilst Coalville will remain the Regional Centre for NWLDC, Communities in the North of the District have little links with the town and are more likely to travel to Loughborough, Long Eaton Nottingham and Derby; transport links should reflect this.</p> <p>Objectives 13 and 14 are Un-aspirational: the Local Plan must promote sustainable development, particularly in the areas to the north where pollution of all types is a current issue. There are already excellent examples in the area with the Radisson Blu Hotel at the airport and Marks & Spencers warehouse at East Midlands Gateway showing that commercial application of sustainable development in the area is feasible.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>By implementing policies in relation to objectives 13 and 14 will help to achieve sustainable development. We are also required to accord with the NPPF para 173 and 174 in respect of ensuring that development is not made unviable as a result of requirements of the local Plan .</p>		Vicky Roe	Kegworth Parish Council
<p>These objectives are not well formulated in a way that would allow one to assess whether these objectives were being met or undermined.</p>	<p>A monitoring framework is being prepared which will set out which policies relate to each of the objectives. The monitoring framework through various indicators will assess how well the Local Plan is achieving the plan objectives.</p>		Lindsay Gene	Appleby Magna Parish Council
<p>We do not agree. The Labour Group consider that the draft Local Plan is a developer’s charter that views housing as a commodity and emphasises ‘market needs’ without taking into account the needs of our communities for homes they can afford to live in.</p> <p>Evidence</p> <p>(a) Areas of need not identified in our villages and local centres.</p> <p>(b) Lack of identification of areas that need local services.</p> <p>(c) Lack of identification for larger areas of communal space & community centres etc.</p> <p>(d) No Cinema, no railway stations or decent public transport. No attempt to reverse the need to travel out of District for leisure activities.</p> <p>(e) No provision for the needs of frail, elderly and disabled residents for affordable accessible housing.</p>	<p>The Council is required, as set out in the NPPF, to ensure that the housing needs of the district are met. Objective 2 recognises this, including affordable housing. Other objectives and policies support the provision of new services and facilities whilst an Infrastructure Delivery Plan is being prepared which will identify future infrastructure needs.</p>		Sue McKendrick	Labour Group leader

<p>We consider that the importance / role of the minerals industry should be given great prominence throughout the Local Plan, and support the inclusion of Objective 15 which states that the Local Plan will take into full account the need to safeguard mineral resources.</p> <p>We consider that as local mineral reserves play a key role in meeting local building demand and growth needs, it is vital that mineral resources are safeguarded from sterilisation from non-mineral development. Objective 15 gives this matter the necessary prominence in the Local Plan as an identified strategic objective. The need to safeguard mineral resources should also be reinforced throughout the remainder of the Local Plan. Prominence in the Local Plan will reinforce the policies of the Leicestershire Minerals Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Control Policies, which forms part of the Development Plan for North West Leicestershire.</p> <p>Whilst we support Objective 15 and the principle of safeguarding mineral resources throughout the District, we are keen for the future versions of the Draft Local Plan to provide greater clarity on where known mineral resources are located within the District. We consider that including reference to the Leicestershire County Council Minerals and Waste Safeguarding Document (Document S6/2014) would increase visibility of the areas of the District which are sensitive to mineral resource sterilisation and would provide clarity on what is an important issue for North West Leicestershire.</p>	<p>Noted reference will be made as part of the Background paper to the Leicestershire County Council Minerals and Waste Safeguarding Document (Document S6/2014)</p>		<p>Spencer Warren</p>	<p>Heaton Planning Ltd</p>
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<p>Objective 2 - should be re-worded to “Significantly boost the delivery of sufficient new homes to provide a stock of housing that meets the full, objectively assessed needs of the District, including any identified need for affordable housing.”</p> <p>Objective 3 - should be re-worded to “Ensure new development is of a high quality of design and layout whilst having due regard to the need to accommodate national standards in a way that reflects local context and circumstances.”</p> <p>Objective 4 - should be re-worded to “Ensure regard is had to reducing the need to travel and to maintaining access to services and facilities including jobs, shops, education, sport and recreation, green space, communication networks, health and social care whilst acknowledging that the opportunities to achieve this will vary between the rural and urbanised parts of the District and the types of development involved”.</p> <p>Objective 5 - should be re-worded to “Give significant weight to supporting economic growth throughout the District and the provision of a diverse range of employment opportunities by allocating sites for employment development as well as providing a supportive framework to permit existing businesses to expand where required on unallocated sites”.</p> <p>Objective 8 - should be re-worded to “Prepare for, limit and adapt to climate change so far as practically possible and in a way which is proportionate to the scale of development proposed whenever allocating sites for development or granting planning permission.”</p> <p>Objective 14 - should be re-worded to “Where the planning system allows, deliver the infrastructure needs of the area, including Green Infrastructure, where reasonable to do so and where consistent with delivering sustainable development.”</p>	<p>Agree to amend objectives 3 and 8. However it would be inappropriate to amend objective 1 as this repeating the NPPF. The aim of objective 4 is to ensure that there is an overall need to reduce the need to travel for the whole district not just the sustainable settlements. The proposed amendments to objective 5 would be inappropriate as the objective contains an action, which should not be included within a objective. Objective 14 is designed to promote sustainable development by delivering the relevant supporting infrastructure.</p>	<p>Objective 3 to be amended to state: Ensure new development is of a high quality of design and layout whilst having due regard to the need to accommodate national standards in a way that reflects local context and circumstances.” Amend objective 8 to state “Prepare for, limit and adapt to climate change so far as practically possible and in a way which is proportionate to the scale of development proposed whenever allocating sites for development or granting planning permission.”</p>	<p>Andrew Thomas</p>	<p>Thomas Taylor Planning</p>
<p>Following on from the comments above in relation to Key Issues, Objective 2 dealing with supporting the delivery of new homes could usefully be clarified to note the need to plan for provision of new housing to meet the needs of both the urban</p>	<p>Noted. The term community is used to define both the rural and urban community.</p>		<p>Guy Longley,</p>	<p>Pegasus Group on behalf of Davidsons Developments Limited.</p>

and rural communities in the district.				
Sustainable development, maintaining separations and protection of green spaces should be added.	The golden thread running through the local plan is the delivery of sustainable development. The need to protect green spaces is covered by objective 4. Objective 14 seeks to deliver the infrastructure needs of the area including green infrastructure.		C Tandy	Ashby de la Zouch Civic Society
<p>The strategic objectives are generally supported, in particular objectives 10, 11, 12 and 14. We request some minor changes to the wording of these objectives for clarity and to align with National Planning Policy and Guidance.</p> <p>“Objective 10 - Conserve and enhance the identity, character, and diversity and local distinctiveness of the district’s built, industrial, natural and cultural and historic heritage.”</p> <p>“Objective 11 - Protect and enhance the natural environment including the district’s biodiversity and geodiversity, and areas identified for their importance.” (i.e. not just those areas identified for their importance)</p> <p>“Objective 12 - Conserve and enhance the quality of the districts landscape character including the National Forest and Charnwood Forest and other valued landscapes.”</p> <p>Further advice on valued landscapes can be found in the Landscape Institute’s Guidelines for Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (3rd Ed.) 2013.</p>	Agree to amend objective 10 and 12.Objective 14 support is noted.	Amend objectives 10 and 12	Kim Miller	National Trust
We do not have any specific comments to make in response to these question.	Noted.		Tim Evans	Bilfinger GVA
Section 4 identifies the objectives for the Local Plan - it is unclear why the objectives are substantially different to those included in the previous Core Strategy. The previous objectives were more high level and included; "improve economic prosperity and employment opportunities", and "provide for the growth of passenger and freight operations at East Midlands Airport having regard to improving access by sustainable modes and impact on the environment". The Local Plan should revisit and consider the previous objectives for the district.	The Core Strategy was a strategic document which dealt with other issues other than planning and therefore the objectives were much more of a higher level.		Jon Bottomley	East Midlands Airport
<p>I am pleased to note objective 15, but the district also contains significant deposits of coal, fireclay and limestone, which could be mentioned.</p> <p>Broadly the strategic objectives are supported with</p>	Noted.		Sharon Wiggins	Leicestershire County Council

objective 2, 5 and 6 being key.				
The plan sets out 15 objectives, of which, for the purposes of this submission, objectives 4, 5, 8 and 11 are ones in which the Lount hub can contribute to and have influence upon. Key policies that are relevant to the TNT site include S1, S2, S4, EC1, EC2 and EC3.			Nick Bowden	WYG Environment Planning Transport Limited
<p>The Coal Authority supports both the text in paragraph 3.1 and Objective 15, both of which acknowledge that supplies of minerals will need to be protected from development which would sterilise them. However, and despite our informal consultation in September 2014, it is noted that the LPA has chosen not to include an appropriate policy for the Mineral Safeguarding Areas to ensure that mineral resources are not needlessly sterilised. The inclusion of such a policy is therefore recommended, which should include criteria to encourage the prior/pre-extraction of surface coal resources where it is necessary for non-minerals development to take place within safeguarded areas.</p> <p>This will allow the Local Plan to conform with the requirements of the Leicestershire Minerals Plan, the requirements of paragraphs 143 and 144 of the NPPF, section 27 of the NPPG and the provisions of the 2011 BGS/The Coal Authority Guide to Mineral Safeguarding in England.</p>	Noted this issue is covered by policy En6.		Chris MacArthur	The Coal Authority
<p>Please provide further comments;</p> <p>These objectives are not well formulated in a way that would allow one to assess whether these objectives were being met or undermined.</p>	The draft Local Plan will be supported by a monitoring framework, which will clearly identify the different policies to the relevant objectives. A set of indicators will be monitored annually to ensure the local plan and its objectives are being successfully delivered.		Sonia Liff, Chair Appleby Environment	Appleby Environment, a long standing community organisation
Objective 2 states that the Local Plan will “support the delivery of new homes balanced with economic growth to provide a stock of housing that meets the needs of the community, including the need for affordable housing”. Whilst this approach is supported, following on from Question 1 above, this should be amended to account for the provision of both urban and rural housing to meet the needs of local communities.	The term community is used to reflect both rural and urban communities.		Pegasus Group on behalf of Stuart Andrews	Pegasus Group
Objective 2 supports the delivery of new homes balanced with economic growth, and this approach is supported. The need for new development to be located in sustainable locations to reduce the need to travel at Objective 4 is also supported.	Noted.		Pegasus Group on behalf of Miller Homes	Pegasus Group

<p>Yes. In addition to objective 4, if the aim is to reduce the need to travel is linked to the reduce of personal vehicles, the plan also needs to have the objective of promoting the use of sustainable transport modes such as walking and cycling; looking for proposed developments to not only provide good walking and cycling links within the development but also to extend these beyond the development to eventually link up all existing networks within the county, otherwise the use of the new paths won't be maximised.</p>	<p>The Local Plan can only encourage the use of non car use modes of transport, this is included within objective 14 which seeks to deliver infrastructure needs of the areas, including Green Infrastructure therefore encouraging the development of walkways and cycleway.</p>		<p>Mrs. A Saxby</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>The "Key Issues" are identified in Section 4 and in particular Table 1, this includes inter alia "Economy" which is described as "Support for economic growth will require the provision of additional land and premises across the district, including rural areas and support for tourism and leisure" (emphasis added). In Para 4.4 the Objectives are set out, in particular Objective 5 states "Support economic growth throughout the district and the provision of a wide range of employment opportunities". Whilst implied, there is no specific reference to employment in rural areas. There is no reference at all to supporting tourism or leisure. In response to Question 2 we request that references to supporting growth in rural areas should be added to Objective 5. In addition an Objective should be included to support the development of tourism and leisure.</p>	<p>Supporting growth in the rural areas is covered by objective 5 which states 'Support economic growth throughout the district and the provision of a diverse range of employment opportunities'.</p> <p>Objective 5 to be amended to include the development of tourism and leisure.</p>	<p>Amend objective 5 to include the development of tourism and leisure.</p>	<p>Jeremy Murfitt on behalf of Wheatcroft Properties Ltd and Donington Park Racing Ltd.</p>	<p>Wheatcroft Properties Ltd and Donington Park Racing Ltd.</p>

<p>The Local Plan sets out a number of issues that the Local Plan needs to address based upon the Scoping Report. The issue relating to housing should be expanded to state that the Local Plan should meet the full housing needs of both the urban and rural community and should make reference to the Government's new agenda for the provision of Starter Homes. This could also be reflected in objective 2.</p> <p>In terms of the Services and Facilities issue this should also be expanded to make reference to ensuring that the services and facilities in both urban and rural communities are appropriate to meet needs as rural services and facilities are often forgotten and may be under threat if not supported by growth in the rural population.</p> <p>In terms of Landscape it must be recognised that any landscape designation should be based on robust and justified evidence that should not be used to place a blanket protection on large swathes of countryside that prevents the Council from meeting their full need for housing. This should be reflected through objective 12.</p> <p>Objective 3 is too onerous and subjective and should not refer to high architectural quality. It is sufficient for the objective to refer to the delivery of high quality development as required by para 57 of the Framework.</p>	<p>It is agreed that it would be appropriate to amend Objective 3.</p> <p>The Local Plan identifies the different roles of settlements through the settlement hierarchy and background paper 2 sets out the services and facilities for each settlement within the district. The services and facilities within each settlement are monitored. The Limits to Development have been drawn to allow for small amounts of development over the plan period.</p>	<p>Amend objective 3 to state that " development should be of high quality design and layout"</p>	<p>Phil Bamford</p>	<p>Gladman on behalf of Wilton Balmore.</p>
<p>Question 2 - Objective 6, the particular focus on the regeneration of Coalville needs to be re-assessed in favour of other larger settlements in the District. This has been the objective of past plans, but Coalville has demonstrated a fragility of market attraction and infrastructure provision which, together with environmental and landscape constraints, has held back the delivery of housing in the past. This impediment to the delivery of housing should be addressed by the Plan and should not be encouraged to continue. A broader focus on other main towns, particularly Ashby-de-la-Zouch, is required.</p>	<p>Evidence suggests that Coalville Town Centre is in need of regeneration. The objective only sets out a focus on Coalville, but this is not exclusive to other settlements.</p>		<p>Sigma Plan</p>	<p>Sigma Plan on behalf of Hallam Land Management</p>

<p>Objective 2 to include delivered in a way that allows young people of the community to live in the community. Additional objective required is to redress the imbalance in facilities and amenities in the Northern Parishes in particular to develop a mechanism that ensures that 75% of elected members do not neglect half the district because they do not represent it.</p>	<p>Objective 2 states to meet the needs of the whole community- which would take account of the needs of young people in rural communities.</p> <p>Objective 4 looks to maintain access to services and facilities.</p> <p>It should be noted that the objectives are high level to support the delivery of the local plan across the district. Specific issues such as retail needs are covered either within the supporting policies or evidence base</p>		<p>Fiona Palmer, Clerk to the Parish Council</p>	<p>Castle Donington Parish Council</p>
<p>Reference to 'heritage assets' should be included within the objectives, such as amending Objective 10 to read:-</p> <p>'Conserve and enhance the identity, character and diversity and local distinctiveness of the districts built, industrial and rural heritage and heritage assets'.</p>	<p>Noted change.</p>		<p>Emilie Carr</p>	<p>Historic England</p>
<p>To include, 'to encourage and develop the use of more sustainable forms of transport (including walking, cycling and other forms of non-motorised transport and public transport).'</p>	<p>Objective 4 recognises the need to reduce travel where possible whilst objective 14 looks to deliver Green Infrastructure to allow for walking and cycling opportunities.</p>		<p>Grant Butterworth</p>	<p>Leicester City Council</p>