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Tel No:- 01621 740570
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Dear Sirs,

RE: LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PREFERRED OPTIONS CONSULTATION
FOR NORTH FAMBRIDGE

With reference to the above I would like to register my objections as follows:-

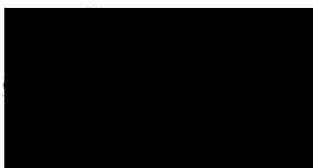
1. The number of dwellings would be a large increase to the village which is against 'to retain the identity of our villages'
2. The increased volume of traffic on the B1012 especially with the proposed increase in housing in Burnham would be untenable.
3. To build in an area which is 'flood risk' would mean many unable to obtain house insurance and future families facing unnecessary flooding to their homes.
4. The sewerage system in North Fambridge is already unable to cope therefore any more properties would mean a need for new investment.
5. The extra surface water would be another threat of flooding due to the high water table, you only have to dig down about a foot and most of the year you will hit water.
6. The transport in the village is limited to the train service which is a single track between Wickford and Southminster apart from the passing track in North Fambridge. To work shift work would be practically impossible and for people to travel to London you need to be able to afford to pay and annual cost of around £3,800.

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7. The approach to the station is very restricted with the approach road immediately over the railway bridge with limited vision, it cannot cope with any more traffic. When there are problems on the line and they lay on coaches these have to shunt backwards and forwards as they cannot drive straight into station.
8. Schooling would be a big problem as there are not available places in the catchment school (Purleigh School). The children in the village go to school by bus, if there were places at any schools then there would need to be many more buses provided, at a time when the government is looking into due to the high cost of school transport.
9. This part of Essex is very unique being rural with SSSI sites, a Ramsar site, and people holiday here because of the wildlife and the peaceful location which is very close to the very busy and build-up areas.
10. The research that suggests the A12 is close to North Fambridge confirms to me that this has not been researched properly as this is definitely not the case.
11. People in North Fambridge wishing to see a doctor need to travel to Burnham or South Woodham Ferrers, (there is a 1 hour surgery once a week in the village) with the additional housing at Burnham these surgeries will be unable to cope. Also the nearest hospital is Broomfield, Chelmsford, which you cannot travel on public transport without travelling by train and bus which as well as cost is takes approximately 1 ½ to 2 hours.

I would very much appreciate if would consider the above objections.

Yours faithfully,

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PART B

Reference is made to the appropriate Policy/Appendix numbers in the Draft LDP

- Q1 The overall vision is to improve the quality of life for people living and working in the District and to provide the new homes, jobs and infrastructure required to meet identified needs and support the local economy, whilst protecting the District's heritage and environment.

	<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>
Do you support the overall vision for the District set out on of the Draft LDP? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Q2 In order to ensure the LDP will meet the requirements set by Government, the Council has reviewed the amount of development required to meet identified housing and employment needs over the next 15 years. As a result, it has been necessary to increase the proposed number of new homes from 3,000 to 4,410 and to allocate 8.4 hectares of additional employment land.

	<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>
Do you support the proposed level of growth in the District ? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Q3 The main urban areas of Maldon, Heybridge and Burnham-on-Crouch are considered to be the most appropriate locations for new housing. Following consideration of alternative options which are detailed in the Draft LDP , the following distribution is now proposed.

Do you support the proposed distribution of new housing ?

Settlement	Total number of dwellings	<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>
Maldon	1,830	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heybridge	1,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Burnham-On-Crouch	450	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Q3 If you disagree, is there an alternative distribution of new housing which you would prefer?

I disagree with building new housing in North Fambridge due to the flood risk and to the "to retain the identity of our villages", especially as North Fambridge has the SSS1 sites and Ramsar site

- Q4 It is proposed to develop two Garden Suburbs in Maldon and Heybridge which will be comprehensively planned to ensure the provision of a mix of housing, community and educational facilities, open space and new transport provision.
- | | <i>Strongly Agree</i> | <i>Agree</i> | <i>No Opinion</i> | <i>Disagree</i> | <i>Strongly Disagree</i> |
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| Do you agree with the proposals for development in Maldon and Heybridge ? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- Q5 The distribution of new housing in Burnham-on-Crouch has been reviewed in response to comments received during the last consultation. It is now proposed to distribute the new housing between three smaller sites instead of one large site.
- | | <i>Strongly Agree</i> | <i>Agree</i> | <i>No Opinion</i> | <i>Disagree</i> | <i>Strongly Disagree</i> |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Do you support the strategy for housing development in Burnham-on-Crouch ? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- Q6 In response to comments made during the last consultation, the number of new dwellings to be accommodated in North Fambridge has been reduced from 300 to 75.
- | | <i>Strongly Agree</i> | <i>Agree</i> | <i>No Opinion</i> | <i>Disagree</i> | <i>Strongly Disagree</i> |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Do you support the strategy for housing development in North Fambridge ? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
- Q7 In order to provide for local housing needs and support local services, it is proposed to make provision for a total of 345 new dwellings in other rural villages in the District. A Rural Allocations Development Plan Document will be produced after completion of the LDP in consultation with local communities to identify appropriate sites for development.
- | | <i>Strongly Agree</i> | <i>Agree</i> | <i>No Opinion</i> | <i>Disagree</i> | <i>Strongly Disagree</i> |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Do you support the strategy for housing development in other rural villages ? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- Q8 A policy has been included in the Draft LDP to ensure that the use or display of advertisements do not have an adverse impact on amenity and public safety.
- | | <i>Strongly Agree</i> | <i>Agree</i> | <i>No Opinion</i> | <i>Disagree</i> | <i>Strongly Disagree</i> |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Do you agree with this approach ? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- Q9 The Draft LDP seeks to provide adequate land to promote employment development, job creation and to allow for the expansion of existing businesses.
- | | <i>Strongly Agree</i> | <i>Agree</i> | <i>No Opinion</i> | <i>Disagree</i> | <i>Strongly Disagree</i> |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Do you support the proposals for new employment development in Maldon and the extension to the Burnham Business Park ? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- Q10 Increasing the supply of affordable housing is one of the Council's key priorities.
- | | <i>Strongly Agree</i> | <i>Agree</i> | <i>No Opinion</i> | <i>Disagree</i> | <i>Strongly Disagree</i> |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Do you agree with the local requirements for affordable housing provision ? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Q11 The Council is committed to working with our partners to improve healthcare facilities within the District

	<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>
Do you support development on an appropriate greenfield location at the edge of Maldon if it were to deliver a new Community Hospital or similar healthcare facilities ?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q12 Primrose Meadow is an area of green space situated off Mundon Road, Maldon

	<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>
Do you support the production of a Primrose Meadow Planning Brief to manage the future use of the site ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q13 The Council has produced an updated to support the Draft LDP which is available on the Council's website. Do you have any comments on this?

For sustainability housing needs to be in an area which has or is near to work opportunities.

Q14 Do you wish to comment on the *proposals map* or any other policies in the Draft LDP?

If so, please enter here which *Policy / Paragraph number(s)* you refer to **D2**

Please enter your comments in the box below

A large area of North Fambridge is at risk of flooding and the sewerage system is a very big problem.

Q15 If you wish to make any other comments on the Draft LDP, enter your comments in the box below

The transport from North Fambridge consists of the train only which is already at maximum capacity and is inappropriate for people working outside of the core hours, (which includes many jobs), it is also very expensive therefore use of a car is essential which makes it very hard for people on low incomes.