

PART B -

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

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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.

Do you support the overall vision for the District set out in the Draft LDP?(please tick one box)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	No Opinion	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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.

Do you support the proposed level of growth in the District (Policy S2)? (please tick one box)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	No Opinion	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 (Appendix 6), the following distribution is now proposed.

Do you support the proposed distribution of new housing (Policy S2)?

(please tick one box per line)

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

If you disagree, is there an alternative distribution of new housing which you would prefer? [Please use BLOCK CAPITALS]

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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>
Do you agree with the proposals for development in Maldon and Heybridge (Policy S4)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 (Policy S6)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 (Policy S7)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 (Policy S7)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 (Policy D6)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<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 (Policy E1)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 (Policy H1)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 (Policy I2)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 (Policy I3)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q13 The Council has produced an updated Sustainability Appraisal to support the Draft LDP which is available on the Council's website. Do you have any comments on this? [Please use BLOCK CAPITALS]

Q14. Do you wish to comment on the Proposals Map or any other Policies in the Draft LDP?

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Please enter here which Policy Number / Paragraph number you refer to

Please enter your comments in the box below [Please use **BLOCK** CAPITALS]

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Q15 If you wish to make any other comments on the Draft LDP, enter your comments in the box below [Please use **BLOCK** CAPITALS]

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. Your comments are important and will be fully considered. Please see Maldon District Council's website for future information about the progress of the LDP.

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MALDON DISTRICT COUNCIL
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10th October 2013

RE DRAFT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

I strongly disagree with the allocation of housing as detailed in the Draft Local Development Plan, particularly in regard to Heybridge, for the following reasons;

The proposed development area is agricultural land and is regularly used in the production of food. The land ranges between an Agricultural Land Classification 2 and 3a (prime land) and therefore should not be considered for development. Maldon and Heybridge continue to have Brownfield areas more suitable for such development. PPS3 states "The priority for development should be previously developed land, in particular vacant and derelict sites and buildings."

Flooding is an issue in the roads immediately surrounding us. Having lived here in excess of 10 years I have witnessed the impact this has on residents. Building on higher land to the North of Holloway Road area seems beyond comprehension and I reserve judgement with regards to any flood management system/SUDS that may be put in place. Having witnessed the surface water from the new Everest Way development being discharged into a stream that runs along the back of the Roothings (which regularly experiences flooding problems) I remain concerned at the impact this will undoubtedly have. As PPS25 states "The owner/developer; Landowners have the primary responsibility for safeguarding their land and other property against natural hazards such as flooding".

Heybridge obviously does not have the infrastructure to support this level of new housing; doctors, dentists and schools are insufficient for the existing local population. Transport links are extremely poor; I fail to understand how this massive development of the Maldon area can even be considered without a train station?

Once again I find myself disappointed by MDC's lack of vision and imagination. Heybridge is a rural village and wishes to remain so. By throwing development in such a large scale onto the edge of our village is bound to upset existing residents. We value the "green" space around us and the footpaths over this area are used extensively. PPS1 'Development plan policies should take account of environmental issues such as: the protection of the wider countryside and the impact of development on landscape quality; the conservation and

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enhancement of wildlife species and habitats and the promotion of biodiversity; the need to improve the built and natural environment in and around urban areas and rural settlements, including the provision of good quality open space'

I have concerns regarding ecology issues. Many species of bird use the habitat provided by this area; the turtle dove, cuckoo, fieldfare, Song Thrush, Red Wing, Starling and House Sparrow are all on the Red list and sighted regularly in these fields. There is a lizard population and newts are spotted on local ponds.

I believe the idea of the new link road is to alleviate traffic to "The Square" area at Heybridge. I might agree this road will help with the through traffic problem but cannot understand how it can help local traffic. Surely school runs and journeys into Maldon will be made worse as new residents will use Broad Street Green and Maypole Road adding to the bottleneck problem we suffer daily.

Furthermore, I fail to understand why a link road would be proposed which is NOT next to the proposed housing. What is the benefit of the "green" space between the road and the development? If there really is no better site for 1000 new homes, at the very least an obvious alternative would be to relocate the housing next to the link road allowing a "green area" between existing residents and the new development giving easy access for all.

Yours sincerely,



cc.Mr D.Coleman MDC, Mr R.Bass Essex County Council, Mr J.Whittingdale MP