

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 in the Draft LDP? (please tick one box)	<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.

	<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 (Policy S2)? (please tick one box)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 (Appendix 6), the following distribution is now proposed.

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

<i>Settlement</i>	<i>Total number of dwellings</i>	<i>(please tick one box per line)</i>				
		<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</i>
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 checked="" 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"/>

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

PLEASE SEE THE ENCLOSED E-MAIL THE DEVELOPMENT TO THE WEST OF BURNHAM IS THE AREA OF CONCERN COUPLED TO THE MIX AS DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED E-MAIL

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.

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Do you agree with the proposals for development in Maldon and Heybridge (Policy S4)? (please tick one box)

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

Do you support the strategy for housing development in Burnham-on-Crouch (Policy S6)? (please tick one box)

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

SEE E-MAIL AND ANSWER TO Q3

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.

Do you support the strategy for housing development in North Fambridge (Policy S7)? (please tick one box)

<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</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.

Do you support the strategy for housing development in other rural villages (Policy S7)? (please tick one box)

<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</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.

Do you agree with this approach (Policy D6)? (please tick one box)

<i>Strongly Agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>No Opinion</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree</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.**

Do you support the proposals for new employment development in Maldon and the extension to the Burnham Business Park (Policy E1)? (please tick one box)

Strongly Agree Agree No Opinion Disagree Strongly Disagree

Q10 **Increasing the supply of affordable housing is one of the Council's key priorities.**

Do you agree with the local requirements for affordable housing provision (Policy H1)? (please tick one box)

Strongly Agree Agree No Opinion Disagree Strongly Disagree

SEE E-MAIL ENCLOSED

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

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)? (please tick one box)

Strongly Agree Agree No Opinion Disagree Strongly Disagree

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

Do you support the production of a Primrose Meadow Planning Brief to manage the future use of the site (Policy I3)? (please tick one box)

Strongly Agree Agree No Opinion Disagree Strongly Disagree

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]**

IN THE SUSTAINABILITY REPORT (7.2.6) YOU TALK OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE TOWNSCAPE AND ITS PRESERVATION. HOWEVER FROM THE ASPECT OF TOURISM THE APPROACHES TO IT ARE EQUALLY ~~THE~~ IMPORTANT.

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

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

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

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

WITH TOURISM SUCH AN IMPORTANT ASPECT OF RUONTHAM'S ECONOMY, THE MODEL TO BE FOLLOWED SEEMS TO ME TO BE THINATED (IE PRESERVE THE MAIN APPROACHES AND THE TOWNSCAPE). THE LATTER IS COVERED. HOWEVER, FOR THE FORMER THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ALONG THE MALDON RD PRODUCES A SUBSTANTIAL "URBANISATION" OF WHAT REMAINS AT THE MOMENT, A FAIRLY "RURAL" ASPECT

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.

If you need further assistance please contact the Planning Policy Team by email at policy@maldon.gov.uk or by telephone on 01621 876202

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David Walmsley

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 September 2013 15:26
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Burnham Development Plan

Sir

I spoke to the planning officer on the presentation in Burnham the other week and stated there were weaknesses I could see in the current proposal for Burnham which is at least an improvement on the first plan with the large development to the west of Burnham. However there remain a series of weaknesses in this proposal and the assumptions contained in it. I stated to him that I would be sending my views to BROOD and would include a copy of my e-mail when I returned the feedback questionnaire to Maldon Council.

However to start with having looked at your website I feel that the position you are adopting which appears to be to oppose all further development is unrealistic given the policies handed down by central government, the development of the local economy (including the continuing viability of the branch line with the closure of Bradwell A – and the unlikely development of a Bradwell B) and the general pressure of population growth.

However there are four weaknesses I can see in the plan – one medium to long term and three of immediate concern. These are:-

- 1) Housing Mix and employment economics medium and long term– When questioned the planning officer stated that the mix was defined by government policy (30% low cost housing) and the demand articulated currently in Burnham. The 30% is not an issue. However including “social housing” within this classification in my view is. Burnham is comparatively geographically isolated and with limited local employment opportunities. Social housing take up tends to have a overrepresentation in it of economic groups C2, D and E. However there are very limited additional opportunities for employment for this group locally and thus they would need to travel; at minimum to South Woodham and more likely to the major centres of local employment in Maldon, Chelmsford, Basildon and Southend. In the medium term commuting costs are projected to rise in real terms and the wage rates for this group to fall in real terms and thus it is economic nonsense not to place social housing in the centres of employment and not in an out of the way town. The current pattern of employment for Burnham residents mainly from medium and long distance commuting requires low cost housing but not social housing.
- 2) Parking – The plan does not include any proposals to enhance parking capacity. (In fact it makes an assumption, not borne out by experience, to bat this issue away) This is not an academic matter. There is already pressure on parking capacity in Burnham. Also a proportion of the local economy is dependent on casual tourism (the Sunday trip out) If, from development (or charging for parking to choke off demand), this group find difficulty parking they will go elsewhere to the detriment of local businesses. I suggest that additional residents will not replace this group as our demand patterns are different.
- 3) Road Improvements - The plan makes no proposals for improving Green Lane which I suggest will be the main access (off Maldon Road junction by the Dhan Siri) taken by residents of this section of development (and possibly a “rat run” for the third development area to the north of Burnham). The assumption that access will be via the junction of Maldon road and Station Approach (adding a mile or so to the journey and increasing traffic past the entrance to Ormiston Academy) is unlikely to be used. The plan also makes an assumption that there will be increased cycle use (because of the improvements to be made) which is unsubstantiated by current behaviour. The planning officer advised me there was no money for road improvements so this assumption of cycle use is clearly in my view “to balance the books”.
- 4) Utilities - I am not able to comment on the adequacy of existing gas, electricity and water/sewerage facilities to handle the increased population except to say that I do get brown outs on electricity sometimes and also low water supply pressure. However the housing mix is likely to put pressure on the existing schools particularly primary where demographics are already going to create capacity issues. I would question whether this issue has been adequately addressed by Maldon Council. In their plan.

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You are welcome to use or to further pursue any of the issues raised above. However under NO circumstances is my name to be mentioned in association with them.

Rgds

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NB - THIS WAS WRITTEN BEFORE THE
SIGNS WENT UP IN BURNHAM. AT THE TIME
THIS WAS WRITTEN IT APPEARED THAT
BOARDS WERE OPPOSING ALL DEVELOPMENT
THE REMINDER OF THE E-MAIL REMAINS
VALID