

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.**

Do you support the overall vision for the District set out in the Draft LDP? *(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 checked="" 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)*

<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 checked="" 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)? **PLEASE SEE CONTINUATION SHEET AT END OF THIS FORM FOR Q3**

<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 checked="" 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"/>

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

Q1. THE LDP CREATES NEW HOMES BUT DOES NOTHING TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR RESIDENTS, HAS NO CREDIBLE PLAN FOR THE CREATION OF JOBS, DOES NOT IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE NOR DOES IT PROTECT BURNHAM'S HERITAGE AND ENVIRONMENT. THE PLAN, MADE WORSE BY DEVELOPERS WISHING TO SHOEHORN IN AN UNWANTED SUPERMARKET, RISKS CREATING A BROOKSIDE EFFECT AT THE VERY START OF TOWN – NOT THE IMAGE OR RESULT THAT RESIDENTS DESIRE. ONCE THE SPRAWL STARTS IT WILL CONTINUE EVER OUTWARDS AND VERY QUICKLY THE CHARACTER OF THIS HISTORIC TOWN WILL BE LOST. THERE WILL BE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR PEOPLE ON THE MALDON RD, SQUEEZED ON THE PLAN BETWEEN THE BURWEST DEVELOPMENT AND THE DEVELOPMENT TO THE NORTH OF MALDON RD PLUS THE INTRUSION AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF A THREATENED UNWANTED SUPERMARKET. THESE COMBINED EFFECTS MUST NOT BE IGNORED. THESE DEVELOPMENTS SO CLOSE TOGETHER EFFECTIVELY CREATE A MINI NEW TOWN. IT IS A FOLLY TO SUGGEST THE GROWTH OF HOUSING WILL CREATE WORK. OUT OF AREA DEVELOPERS ARE PITCHING FOR THE WORK AND WILL BRING WITH THEM THEIR OWN CONTRACTORS. TO CREATE JOBS YOU NEED TO INCREASE INDUSTRY – HISTORY WILL SHOW THAT INDUSTRY ON THE DENGIE HAS BEEN IN DECLINE FOR A LONG TIME. BUYERS OF NEW PROPERTY (AFFORDABLE OR OTHERWISE) WILL COME FROM OUT OF TOWN, WILL PROBABLY BE IN WORK ALREADY AND MANY OF THEM COMMUTERS. NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT BUT HOW DOES IT HELP IMPROVE ANYTHING FOR EXISTING RESIDENTS. WHERE ARE THE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS? ACCORDING TO ONE DEVELOPER THERE IS NO CASH FOR SUCH 'BENEFITS'. THERE IS ONLY TALK OF HOUSES AND THE (UNWANTED) SUPERMARKET. THE MALDON RD IS DANGEROUS AND WILL GET WORSE. THERE ARE ENOUGH SPACES IN SCHOOLS. THE SURGERY HAS SAID IT HAS CAPACITY ON THE CURRENT SITE (WELL PLACED FOR ELDERLY RESIDENTS) TO IMPROVE SERVICES. THE SPORTS HALL IS INVARIABLY EMPTY. THERE IS ALREADY A SEWAGE DISPOSAL PROBLEM IN MANY AREAS ON THE DENGIE INCLUDING THE AREA TOWARDS THE RIVER ON THE BURNHAM WEST SITE AND DEVELOPERS CLAIMS THAT RAMBLERS ARE KEEN TO MOVED ARE UNSUBSTANTIATED.

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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 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 (Policy S6)? <i>(please tick one box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

PLEASE SEE CONTINUATION SHEET AT END OF THIS FORM FOR RESPONSE TO Q5.

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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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) SEE CONTINUATION SHEET FOR RESPONSE TO Q9.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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]

Q13 YES – ACCESS TO POLICIES OR THINGS LIKE THE SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL – AND KNOWING IF YOU HAVE THE LATEST VERSION – ARE NIGH ON IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE LAYMAN. A LIST OF, AND LINKS TO, LATEST DOCUMENTS WOULD HAVE BEEN MOST HELPFUL IN FORMING OPINIONS.

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**]

Q14

- THE AREAS SET ASIDE FOR DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE SCALED DOWN IN LINE WITH THE REDUCTION IN NUMBERS. OTHERWISE DEVELOPERS WILL CONTINUE TO SEIZE ANY OPPORTUNITY TO FILL SPACES.
- THE PLAN HAS NOT SPLIT 1 LARGE SITE INTO 3 SMALLER ONES IT HAS CREATED TWO SITES – IT JUST SO HAPPENS THAT THE MALDON RD RUNS THROUGH THE CENTER OF BURNHAM WEST AND BURNHAM MALDON RD NORTH (WEST).
- THERE MUST BE CLEAR AND GENUINE PLANS IN PLACE TO RESOLVE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES PRIOR TO BUILDING HOUSES TO, A) WIDEN ROADS B) RESOLVE THE SEWAGE ISSUES C)GET A FIRM COMMITMENT TO IMPROVE SERVICES AT FOUNDRY LANE SURGERY .
- ONCE AND FOR ALL KILL OFF THE THREAT OF A SUPERMARKET AT BURNHAM WEST. IF YOU REALLY WANT TO PROTECT HERITAGE DO WHAT OTHER MARKET TOWNS HAVE DONE – REJUVENATE THE HIGH STREET.
- THE PLAN MUST SUIT RESIDENTS NOT DEVELOPERS.

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

Q15. I SUPPORT THE NEED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SENSIBLE NUMBER OF HOUSES OF DIFFERENT VALUES AND CHARACTERISTICS. HOWEVER THERE ARE ALREADY MANY EMPTY PROPERTIES IN AND AROUND BURNHAM – THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS DO NOT HELP LOCAL PEOPLE WHO ALREADY CANNOT GET ON TO THE HOUSING LADDER.I AM FURIOUS WITH AND COMPLETELY AGAINST THE DEVELOPMENT OF TWO SITES CLOSE TO ONE ANOTHER ON BOTH SIDES OF THE MALDON ROAD THUS CREATING OVER TIME A SINGLE NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT AT THE VERY START OF BURNHAM. ONE OR OTHER DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE SHELVED. THE RURAL ELEMENT IS A KEY CHARACTERISTIC OF THE TOWN AND I AM ANGRY AT, AND 100% AGAINST, PROPOSALS FROM THE DEVELOPERS TO PUT A SUPERMARKET ON THE ROAD AT BURNHAM WEST. THIS WILL CREATE NOISE AND LIGHT POLLUTION, ADD TO THE SEWAGE ISSUE IN THE AREA, INCREASE TRAFFIC FLOW WITH ITS ASSOCIATED INCREASE IN ACCIDENTS ON ALREADY UNSUITABLE ROADS AND KILL OFF MORE OF THE HIGH STREET. WE ARE 9 MILES FROM ASDA – AND NOT MANY MORE FROM A MORRISONS AND A TESCO AT MALDON – WE HAVE SMALL TESCO AND CO-OP SUPERMARKETS IN TOWN - WHERE THEN IS THE CATCHMENT AREA? THIS IS SOLELY ABOUT ONE OR OTHER OF THE MAJOR SUPERMARKETS TAKING PRIMACY IN THE TOWN AT THE EXPENSE OF EVERYONE ELSE AND DESPITE THE STRONG LOCAL OPPOSITION TO A SUPERMARKET. PLEASE LISTEN TO THE RESIDENTS NOT THE DEVELOPERS. IF THERE IS A CASE FOR A SUPERMARKET, SITE IT AWAY FROM THE MAIN ROAD AND HOUSING – WILL RETAILERS THEN CONSIDER IT AN IMPORTANT SERVICE?IF YOU WANT TO PROTECT HERITAGE AND ENVIRONMENT FIND DEVELOPERS WHO WILL HELP REJUVENATE THE HIGH STREET.

CONTINUATION SHEET IS BELOW.

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CONTINUATION SHEET.

Q3. 450 HOMES FOR BURNHAM. A NUMBER THAT EBBS AND FLOWS LIKE THE RIVER CROUCH. RESEARCH BY BROOD INDICATES CONSENSUS IN THE TOWN THAT 200 IS AN APPROPRIATE NUMBER FOR BURNHAM IF THE CHARACTER OF THE TOWN IS TO BE PRESERVED. YOU DO NOT PASS THROUGH BURNHAM – INVARIABLY YOU GO THERE BECAUSE YOU LIVE THERE OR THERE IS AN EVENT LIKE THE CARNIVAL. HOWEVER, THERE ARE AREAS IN THE DENGIE THAT ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE PLAN OR HAVE LIMITED DEVELOPMENT IN THE PLAN WHERE THERE ARE BETTER ROADS AND TRAFFIC FLOWS E.G. LATCHINGDON, SOUTHMINSTER AND COLD NORTON. THESE TOWNS AND VILLAGES MAY NOT BE RIGHT FOR LARGE SCALE DEVELOPMENTS BUT GIVEN A SMALL ALLOCATION (SAY 50-100 EACH) MIGHT REDUCE THE PRESSURE ON BURNHAM AND INCREASE THE OVERALL NUMBER CLOSER TO 400. THUS, A SENSIBLE TOTAL OF 200 IN THE PRIME BURNHAM SITES IS LESS LIKELY TO HAVE THE AFOREMENTIONED ‘BROOKSIDE ’ EFFECT. THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL LOCAL BENEFIT. THE LARGE BUILDING FIRMS WILL BE LESS ATTRACTED TO SMALLER DEVELOPMENTS AND THIS MAY FOR SEVERAL YEARS IMPROVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL BUILDERS AND TRADESMEN TO WORK ON THE NEW DEVELOPMENTS. SQUEEZING 450 INTO 3 SITES MAY BE MORE COSTS EFFECTIVE FOR THE DEVELOPERS – BUT THIS PLAN MUST BE ABOUT THE PEOPLE AND THE TOWN – NOT THE DEVELOPERS. NOTE MY COMMENT IN Q1 ABOUT THE COMBINED IMPACT OF DEVELOPMENTS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE MALDON RD CREATING A MIN NEW TOWN AT THE GATEWAY TO BURNHAM. MY ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTION IS THAT MDC LOOKS AGAIN AT SOUTMINSTER WHICH ALREADY HAS SOME ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE PLUS A RAILWAY – AND ALSO LATCHINGDON AND COLD NORTON WHICH LIKE SOUTHMINSTER ENJOYS TRAFFIC PASSING THROUGH NOT JUST INTO IT AS IS THE CASE FOR BURNHAM. ALSO ALTHORNE AND FAMBRIDGE AND OTHER VILLAGES. ALSO THAT ONE OR OTHER OF BURWEST OR BURNORTH(WEST) IS REPLACED AND GROWTH IS FOCUSED MORE ON THE AREA LEAVING BURNHAM TOWARD SOUTHMINSTER. FOR BURWEST, IF WE DO HAVE AN AGEING POPULATION, THAT OLDER EXISTING RESIDENTS ARE CATERED FOR WITH AN EMPHASIS ON BUNGALOWS.

Q5. THERE ARE 3 PRIME SITES PROPOSED FOR BURNHAM BUT THE FOCUS SEEMS TO BE BURNHAM WEST. SOME DEVELOPMENT ON THAT SITE MAY BE MERITED BUT MUST BE IN KEEPING WITH THE CHARACTER OF THE TOWN AND ITS RURAL LOCATION. DESPITE THE REDUCTION IN TOTAL HOUSING FOR THE BURNHAM AREA (I RECALL IT WAS 1250 AT ITS PEAK) THE AREA OF LAND SET ASIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENTS ARE UNCHANGED. WHY? IF THIS IS TO PREVENT THE CREATION OF SHOEHORNED ESTATES AND CREATE HOUSING (POSSIBLY GARDEN SUBURBS) WITH GREEN SPACE SO MUCH THE BETTER – BUT THAT IS UNLIKELY AND DEVELOPERS WILL SEIZE ANY OPPORTUNITY TO ADD MORE HOUSES AND UNWANTED SERVICES WHERE LAND IS SET ASIDE .THE NEXT VERSION OF THE LDP SHOULD INCLUDE A PLAN WITH THE DEVELOPMENT SITES APPROPRIATELY SCALED DOWN. IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE PLAN ON HOUSES ON THE MALDON RD BETWEEN WOODFORD’S GARAGE AND THE ORMINSTON COLLEGE SCHOOL. THESE HOUSES ARE THREATENED WITH DEVELOPMENTS TO BOTH BACK AND FRONT OF THEIR PROPERTIES. THE 2 NEW SITES CREATING A NEW TOWN AFFECT WITH MALDON RD SIMPLY A ROAD THAT RUNS THROUGH THE CENTRE. – ELEGANT HOUSES DATING BACK TO AND BEFORE THE 1920’S SQUEEZED IN TO THE CENTRE OF TWO DEVELOPMENTS WHICH EFFECTIVELY CREATE A SINGLE NEW ESTATE – LOCATED WHERE IT WILL ACT AS THE NEW GATEWAY TO BURNHAM - A CARBUNCLE AT THE VERY START OF THE TOWN.

IN ADDITION, THE LOCATION PROPOSED FOR ACCESS TO BURNHAM WEST IS POORLY CONSIDERED. THE WIDTH OF THE B1010 IS POOR/DANGEROUS FOR HEAVY VEHICLES OR HIGH VOLUME TRAFFIC AT ANY TIME – THE ROAD WIDTH OUTSIDE WOODFORDS GARAGE IS MOST DANGEROUS IS CLEARLY UNSUITABLE AND MUST BE REMEDIED BEFORE HEAVY TRAFFIC AND TRAFFIC VOLUMES ARE INCREASED – WHO ON THE COUNCIL WILL STAND UP AND TAKE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FIRST OF WHAT WILL BE AN INCREASE IN ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND PROBABLY DEATHS.

Q6. FAMBRIDGE HAS A RAILWAY AND IS COSER TO AMENITIES IN BOTH WOODHAM AND MALDON – SURELY FAMBRIDGE CAN CARRY A LARGER NUMBER OF HOUSES THAN THE 75 PROPOSED? WHAT REASONS WERE GIVEN TO SUPPORT THE REDUCED NUMBER?

Q9 I SEE NOTHING IN POLICY E1 THAT GENERATES EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND REGARDLESS WHICH VERSION I OPENED COULDN’T FIND ANY MENTION OF EXTENSION TO BURNHAM BUSINESS PARK – WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO SEE TO BE ABLE TO COMMENT ON – IT MAY OFFER A BENEFIT FOR BURNHAM.

