



Matter 3: Overall requirement for Housing and Employment Land and long term growth strategy

- 3.1 The figure of **6125** dwellings has not been substantiated by any means. Further and more robust studies ie HEDNA 2017 have identified a revised figure of **4,250** which appears to meet the majority perspective from an independent perspective. This figure reflects more realistic thinking in planning terms where sites are increasingly more challenging. It also accords with historically slow but steady growth of MBC. The transport and infrastructure are very poor to support any more greater change. HS2 will more likely favour development towards Nottingham to the north and a better range of housing stock with greater job opportunities.
- i) HEDNA is the preferred start point from a demographic point of view as MBC is not likely to fluctuate more than other areas in UK. Growth in employment is fairly low on average and commuting is to be discouraged from a sustainability point of view. The current road system is generally single carriageway on all roads in/ out of Melton town.
 - ii) No comment
 - iii) No comment
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