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Melton Borough Council
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17th December 2016

Dear Mr Worley

Thank you for meeting our group from Bottesford in the Council Offices on the 9th December. Please find enclosed the final figures of an informal survey carried out in our Parish for submission to Melton Borough Council. If Melton cannot reduce the numbers of dwellings allocated to Bottesford Parish, I would appreciate it if you would forward the result to the Inspector of the Melton Borough Local Plan so he can see the overwhelming feeling of the residents of our Parish who feel that they have been treated very unfairly being allocated 428 dwellings (this figure may even be 447 dwellings).

There is also very strong opposition from the Steering Group of the Bottesford Neighbourhood Plan and Bottesford Parish Council. All the responses of the survey can be verified at any time – it is also worth noting that many forms have been signed by two people – making the response even stronger

This simple informal survey shows our Parish has not been fairly represented at Melton Borough Council in preparation of their Local Plan. Please note we delivered 1,400 survey forms and 413 responses were received up to 14th December and we are still receiving more (which we cannot include in the figures).

The final numbers speak for themselves. The Parish is willing to accept reasonable and necessary growth, but all four villages in our Parish wish to remain separate villages with an area of separation between them and are against large growth that cannot be sustained by our existing amenities.

As a footnote, I would like to say that Melton Borough Council are making it difficult for ordinary people to have the right to make their feelings known because objections have to be made on-line, hence the reason for this simple survey being carried out.

Yours sincerely



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FINAL RESULTS 413 RESPONSES RETURNED

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TO ALL RESIDENTS OF BOTTESFORD, EASTHORPE, NORMANTON AND MUSTON PARISH

My name is Cob George and I am Bottesford born and bred, living in Belvoir Road, Bottesford.

I feel very concerned and let down by Melton Borough Council allocating 428 houses to be built in our parish – mostly in Bottesford and Easthorpe, the Melton Borough Plan forcing the Parish Council and the Neighbourhood Plan group to choose sites not at all in keeping with our villages and may even target us with one thousand five hundred houses on a huge site spreading from Bottesford to Easthorpe – Melton Borough Council say this site is irrelevant at the moment, but it was mentioned at their plan launch in November.

This survey I am carrying out is not about site locations, just the numbers of houses Melton are insisting we take, all I am asking is do you agree with large growth in Bottesford and Easthorpe. I REALLY DO NOT and feel we must oppose them before the Melton Borough Plan is approved and it is too late.

Would you please fill in the form below and return to the Parish Room porch in the Old School, Grantham Road, Bottesford where a box will be provided (or just post through the letter box if closed) If sufficient forms are returned I will let our Parish Council and Melton Borough Council know the result whichever way you vote. You can also object to Melton Council on line.

We have until mid December to make our feelings known to Melton Mowbray before their plan goes to an Inspector for approval.

Please tick the relevant boxes, sign your name and return to the Parish Room porch, Bottesford.

RESULTS

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| 1. I wish Bottesford to remain a village, I understand we must have some growth to meet requirements but strongly disagree with the 428 houses Melton Borough have allocated and they should reconsider these numbers. | 1 | <input type="text" value="398"/> |
| 2. I agree with all the 428 houses allocated. | 2 | <input type="text" value="13"/> |
| 3. I wish Easthorpe to remain a small hamlet and disagree with any large sites in Easthorpe. | 3 | <input type="text" value="351"/> |
| 4. I agree with the sites designated for Easthorpe. | 4 | <input type="text" value="16"/> |
| 5. Muston and Normanton should be allowed to expand naturally in small numbers. | 5 | <input type="text" value="347"/> |
| 6. I will oppose any large 1,500 housing development in Bottesford and Easthorpe and insist Melton Borough Council oppose any applications submitted to them. | 6 | <input type="text" value="393"/> |
| 7. I agree to a 1,500 housing development in Bottesford and Easthorpe. | 7 | <input type="text" value="2"/> |

THANK YOU would you please sign your name and address

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FINAL RESULTS OF RECENT HOUSING SURVEY

Thank you to everyone who returned the recent survey form regarding housing in Bottesford Parish.

We delivered 1,400 forms and 413 were returned, many of them signed by two people, making the response even stronger.

THE RESULTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

- 1 I wish Bottesford to remain a village, I understand we must have some growth to meet requirements but strongly disagree with the 428 houses Melton Borough have allocated and they should reconsider these numbers. 398
- 2 I agree with all the 428 houses allocated. 13
- 3 I wish Easthorpe to remain a small hamlet and disagree with any large sites in Easthorpe 351
- 4 I agree with the sites designated for Easthorpe 16
- 5 Muston and Normanton should be allowed to expand naturally in small numbers 347
- 6 I will oppose any large 1,500 housing development in Bottesford and Easthorpe and insist Melton Borough Council oppose any applications submitted to them 393
- 7 I agree to a 1,500 housing development in Bottesford and Easthorpe. 2

These results were taken in to the Planning Department of Melton Borough Council on Monday the 19th of December 2016 together with a covering letter asking them specifically to pass the results on to the Inspector of the Melton Borough Local Plan.

We can only hope that some notice is taken of Bottesford Parish Residents' concerns.

Thank you again.

