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**LONG CLAWSON SITE ALLOCATIONS - OBJECTION**

Two of the village's 5 housing site allocations proposed are not supported and the emerging Neighbourhood Plan proposes, with supporting evidence, an alternative solution. LP Proposals LONG2 and LONG4 are dominant in the centre of the village with: significant environmental issues; historic impacts to which Historic England object; against Sustainability tests in the NPPF; contrary to LP environmental policies. These sites are not suitable for development and in the emerging Clawson, Hose and Harby Neighbourhood Plan (NP) are identified as an Important Open Space and a Local Green Space site respectively. Alternative sites are available and deliverable within the village to replace these sites and still meet the minimum requirement for housing development allocation for the village without the same harmful impacts. The proposed selection of LONG2 and LONG4 are also not internally consistent with draft LP policies EN1, EN2, EN6, EN8, EN11, EN12 and EN13 relating to the protection of the natural and built environment, including historic assets and settlement character, and responding positively to climate change flood risks. Not consistent with NPPF paras: 109-125, 126-141 & 93-104

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Remove LONG2 and LONG4 from this policy and replace with LP proposed reserve site LONG5 and site of current planning application 016/00810/OUT (LONG7 in 19<sup>th</sup> September MBC Full Site Appraisal.) As a consequence of this the PC Objects to Policy C1(B). Remove LONG5 from reserve list as it has moved to Policy C1(A). Evidence: Comparative local Sustainability Appraisals are available showing how the emerging NP has ranked the village sites in accordance with its suggested alternative Allocation solution. These are available if required

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**LONG CLAWSON – Flooding & Drainage**

Long Clawson lies at the foot of an escarpment with a clay base. Flash surface water has been in evidence in the village for over 30 years and MBC reports in 2003 and 2007 showed the inadequacy of the existing sewers and culverts both in maintenance and capacity. There is no investment shown in this infrastructure despite the significant housing increase proposed for the village in sites that are above stream of these known issues. This is essential infrastructure as described in EN2, Priority 1. Documentary and photographic evidence of these issues is available if/when required. Not consistent with NPPF paras: 93-104

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**LONG CLAWSON – TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE**

Long Clawson is a rural farming village and its main route through the centre has 13 right-angled bends. The village Primary School and the doctors' surgery servicing 23 Vale of Belvoir villages are on this road. The footpath network through the village is narrow and broken. All of these factors cause significant traffic congestion and affect pedestrian safety through the village at key times of day. Access roads to and from the village are also rural with high traffic throughput for a rural location, including HGV's to local major businesses as evidenced by Community Speedwatch in 2016. Investment is required in the road infrastructure, ensuring all roads can support the weight of vehicles with suitable traffic calming for a rural farming community. The footpath network through the village needs to be improved to cope with the additional traffic generated by, and people living within, the new housing. Public parking at the village centre also needs rationalisation and improvement where possible. These are essential infrastructure improvements to an already struggling rural community. Documentary and photographic evidence of these issues is available if/when required. Not consistent with NPPF paras 31-35

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