

Question 1 – Do you agree with the housing and economic requirements for the Borough up to 2031? Please give reasons why.

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Agrees with the housing and / or economic requirements	23, 33, 48, 78, 98, 103, 111, 128, 139, 148, 161, 162, 170, 176, 201, 247, 263, 287, 301, 358, 373, 380, 386, 404, 422, 430, 473, 568, 615, 700, 820, 826, 871, 922, 939, 1052, 1114, 1144, 1148, 1153, 1189, 1228, 1279, 1319, 1347, 1409, 1438, 1464, 1583, 1663, 1682, 1796, 1939, 1963, 1982, 2093, 2172, 2184, 2203, 2267, 2289, 2368, 2700, 2784, 2828, 3081, 3152, 3241, 3392, 3568, 3762, 3773, 3780, 3936, 3963, 3980, 4154, 4187, 4252, 4371, 4400, 4564, 4777, 4884, 5025, 5381, 5414, 5446, 5550, 5639, 5680, 5896, 5909, 5951, 6002, 6014, 6034, 6105, 6157, 6168, 6198, 6259, 6540, 6571, 6619, 6639, 6784, 6800, 6900, 7581, 7593, 9406, 9576, 9707, 9711, 9723, 9843,	Noted	N/A
Agree with the housing and / or economic requirements but not necessarily the strategy	610, 639, 828, 1130, 1350, 1863, 1879, 1999, 2038, 2319, 2744, 2818, 3142, 3252, 3263, 4290, 5425, 5621, 6247,	Noted	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Accept there is an increased need for housing but question the quantum of housing specified.	1051, 1841, 1926, 1999, 3829,	Noted	N/A
Support the housing and economic requirements but have reservations about the Core Strategy until further highway mitigation work is	4597,	Noted	The Council must continue to engage with infrastructure providers to identify what infrastructure is required to support the Borough's

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undertaken.			proposed growth, when it is needed by and how much it is forecast to cost.
Agree but do not think the plans will come to fruition	2155,	Noted	N/A
Partly agrees with housing and economic requirements (dependant on evidence used)	744, 5280, 5861,	<p>Noted. The Government’s National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF’s Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and economic East of England Forecast Model, that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area. The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>

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Disagrees with the housing and economic requirements	452, 716, 780, 857, 976, 1013, 1298, 1412, 1507, 1839, 2070, 2083, 2091, 2117, 2244,	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of

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Local people should decide where sites should be	2019	<p>Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each</p>	<p>Council should consider strengthening policies on local character to suitably guide development in the Borough to avoid loss of character and identify.</p> <p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p> <p>Continue to work with partners, stakeholders and communities.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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<p>The proposed housing number is unnecessarily high and ambitious</p>	<p>210, 227, 275, 394, 494, 716, 937, 1134, 1390, 1573, 1695, 1708, 1732, 1753, 1802, 1813, 1910, 2115, 2213, 2775, 2848, 2973, 3058, 3110, 3300, 3562, 3668, 3812, 3994, 4026, 4108, 4691, 4701, 4647, 4890, 4959, 5146, 6567,</p>	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such</p>

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The housing and economic growth figures are too low when reviewing evidence	80, 773, 1953, 2018, 2328, 2501, 5304, 5381, 5449, 5454, 6025, 6292, 6303, 6544,	<p>Noted. The Government’s National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF’s Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and economic East of England Forecast Model, that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area. The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised provision.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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The evidence used is out of date/incorrect information	1748, 2328, 3121, 4196, 5454, 5824, 6544,	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence. The Council will work with

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<p>The Borough's transport network and infrastructure can not cope with the proposed growth or have concerns about impact on services/infrastructure</p>	<p>73, 236, 336, 405, 466, 476, 544, 555, 681, 260, 777, 796, 820, 833, 846, 867, 900, 985, 1017, 1025, 1036, 1070, 1061, 1134, 1249, 1402, 1437, 1497, 1571, 1573, 1676, 1720, 1728, 1753, 1892, 1904, 2018, 2051, 2063, 2115, 2124, 2129, 2159, 2213, 2274, 2275, 2322, 2721, 2732, 2799, 2810, 2877, 2866, 2902, 2922, 2937, 2960, 3011, 3034, 3051, 3069, 3110, 3211, 3368, 3433, 3517, 3584, 3690, 3738, 3767, 3773, 3812, 4038, 4090, 4241, 4456, 4530, 4628, 4701, 4726, 4745, 4822, 4944, 4959, 5139, 5642, 8055,</p>	<p>Noted. The Basildon Borough Local Plan Highway Impact Assessment was commissioned to provide an assessment of the impact of Local Plan Spatial Options for development of 16,000 households and associated employment development on the highway network in the Basildon Borough up to the year 2031. It is appreciated that this assessment only goes into a certain amount of detail in terms of the potential impact of development on the road network and additional evidence will need to be gathered to work up required improvements that will need to accompany each proposed area for development.</p> <p>Basildon Borough Council in partnership with Essex County Council has commissioned Essex Highways to carry out mitigation modelling on the highway impact of potential development sites to determine whether or not the level of development proposed can be successfully accommodated.</p>	<p>Revisions will be made as appropriate to the Local Plan evidence base as work progresses to pre-submission stage.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p>

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Agree with development in the plotlands	80,	Noted.	N/A
Billericay does not have the capacity to accommodate the scale of growth	513, 1283, 1832,	<p>Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for development. The HELAA includes a number of brownfield sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.</p> <p>On a separate note, the Local Plan includes policies that promote the use of brownfield sites and this will be monitored annually. The Local Plan also encourages the use of empty properties in line with the TGSE Housing Strategy and Empty Homes Programme. However, to meet the development needs of the Borough, Greenfield sites will be required. Notwithstanding the results of the Green Belt Study, the most appropriate locations for development have been determined through application of the communal result of all documents contributing to</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>Review the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment on an annual basis and review the use of brownfield sites in the Authorities Monitoring Report</p> <p>The Council must continue to engage with infrastructure providers to identify what infrastructure is required to support the Borough's proposed growth, when it is needed by and how much it is forecast to cost.</p>

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		<p>the Council's Local Plan evidence base.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities</p>	
The Borough Council should not build on the Green Belt / have concerns about building on Green Belt	13, 15, 43, 210, 356, 512, 528, 544, 555, 568, 595, 603, 618, 661, 703, 705, 764, 796, 828, 867, 896, 1036, 1061, 1070, 1078, 1224, 1239, 1260, 1276, 1283, 1311, 1350, 1361, 1430,	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility	N/A

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Gypsies and Travellers should be an exception to the Green Belt rule.	686,	Planning consultants working on behalf of the Council have completed a comprehensive Gypsy & Traveller Local Needs Accommodation Assessment, which has determined the number of pitches needed to be allocated throughout the plan period. The Council has subsequently commissioned a Gypsy & Traveller Site Survey Assessment to determine the most sustainable locations for these pitches and this document will be published as part of the Council's production of a Local Plan.	Complete Gypsy & Traveller Site Survey Assessment.
Need to strike a balance between economic prosperity and environmental requirements.	1107, 6587,	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) sets out that the purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development. There are three dimensions to sustainable development; economic, social and environmental.	Continue to legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan.

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<p>Need to balance housing needs with industry and commerce needs.</p>	<p>914,</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) sets out that the purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development. There are three dimensions to sustainable development; economic, social and environmental.</p> <p>The Council must also in line with Section 19 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires local planning authorities to carry out a ‘sustainability appraisal’ of the proposals in a Local Plans during its preparation. This overlaps with some of the requirements in the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, which gives effect to European Union Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of effect of certain plans and programmes on the environment’. Therefore, the Council must legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan.</p>	<p>Continue to legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan.</p>

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<p>The growth will impact upon the wildlife, agricultural land, historic, flooding and the environment</p>	<p>356, 411, 1070, 1350, 1520, 2063, 3350, 3368, 3381, 3433, 3638, 3738, 4090, 4456, 4885, 4959,</p>	<p>The Council must also in line with Section 19 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires local planning authorities to carry out a 'sustainability appraisal' of the proposals in a Local Plans during its preparation. This overlaps with some of the requirements in the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, which gives effect to European Union Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of effect of certain plans and programmes on the environment'. Therefore, the Council must legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan.</p> <p>The Council have had regard to the Basildon Borough Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA, 2011) and the Local Plan Flood Risk Sequential Test Report (Dec 2013) in determining its preferred option and the yields of potential development sites located in flood risk areas, and will continue to do so in any future revisions and throughout the Local Development Plan process. The SFRA, alongside the National Planning Policy Framework highlight the importance of regard to flooding in an area. Direct mention of flood risk has been identified in Core Policy 16.</p>	<p>Continue to legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work in partnership with the Water Authority, Environment Agency, Essex County Council (Lead Local Flood Authority and SuDS Approval Body) and other relevant flood risk management authorities to ensure that flood risk within the Borough is effectively managed.</p>
<p>The scale of growth proposed will merge the towns in to one urban area</p>	<p>236,</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p>

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The scale of growth will make Billericay and Wickford too large	603, 1338, 3132,	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages

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<p>The economic conditions will not support economic expansion</p>	<p>394, 3274,</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) sets out that the purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development. There are three dimensions to sustainable development; economic, social and environmental.</p> <p>The Council must also in line with Section 19 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires local planning authorities to carry out a 'sustainability appraisal' of the proposals in a Local Plans during its preparation. This overlaps with some of the requirements in the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, which gives effect to</p>	<p>Continue to legally appraise the sustainability of proposals in the Local Plan.</p>

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<p>The Borough is already overcrowded</p>	<p>7, 210, 218, 300, 336, 405, 846, 847, 951, 1025, 1249, 1379, 1497, 1636, 1708, 2000, 2751, 2855, 3058, 3069, 3178, 3517, 4956,</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p> <p>Continue to work with partners, stakeholders and communities.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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<p>The South East is overcrowded</p>	<p>15, 995, 1134, 1524, 1651, 1720, 1775, 4038, 4100, 4701, 5124, 7713, 7735,</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p> <p>Continue to work with partners, stakeholders and communities.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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<p>The proposed growth should be considered at a regional or national level as a new town.</p>	<p>411, 595, 661, 773, 790,</p>	<p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so</p>	<p>Continue to work with partners, stakeholders and communities.</p>

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		<p>that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>The Spatial Options Topic Paper explains that the evidence base clearly demonstrates the Borough can not accommodate a new settlement due to its size and existing settlement locations.</p> <p>Further, the Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government’s growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough’s development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011, the Council would have to ask neighbouring authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough’s need.</p> <p>There is no mechanism at present to re-distribute growth and therefore it must be decided at the Local level.</p>	
Do not agree with the housing and economic requirements for Bowers Gifford	57, 1960,	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough’s full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages

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		<p>been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
Too much development is focused to the south of the A127	66,	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape,</p>	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages

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		<p>Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
The housing and economic figures should be independently verified and justified	401, 1557, 1595, 1615, 1631, 1813, 2182,	<p>The Local Plan process is assessed by the Secretary of State who appoints a Planning Inspector. The Planning Inspector will independently examine the Local Plan and all its supporting documentation.</p> <p>Further, many of the evidence bases have been prepared independently by consultants and experts in their specific fields. The Local Plan is also subject to public consultation, which must be taken into account through plan preparation.</p>	N/A
More local jobs is more sustainable	445,	Noted	N/A
Affordable housing should be	23, 287, 293, 394, 422, 445, 473, 639, 1338,	A The Council have prepared a Strategic Housing Market	Continue to monitor and

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considered	1347, 2018, 2264, 2828, 3252, 3263, 6025,	<p>Assessment (SHMA) with four other authorities in the Thames Gateway area to determine the appropriate amount of affordable homes that will meet the Borough's and Thames Gateway requirements. The SHMA sets out that the Borough should provide 36% affordable housing. This is the requirement set out in Core Policy 3.</p> <p>This is an increase from the previous Council's affordable housing requirement of 30% set out in the 2008 Interim Planning Obligations Strategy.</p> <p>The Council have also tested three levels of affordable housing; 30%, 35% and 40% in their Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (now called the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment, in line with national policy). The testing of different levels of affordable housing allows the Council to determine how affordable housing affects the viability of the development. The higher the amount of affordable housing, the fewer sites are viable.</p> <p>In addition, the Council is proposing to introduce a new 'deferred contribution' clause into the planning policy which will see viability tested twice (at the time of application and once a development has been built), to ensure the Borough does not lose out of possible affordable housing contributions in the event that the market improves.</p>	viability test the amount of affordable housing that should be provided in the Borough to meet requirements.
Developers should put in infrastructure first	334, 411, 647, 2000, 2093, 6014	Noted. The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the

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		<p>required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. Eventually, this information will be used to prepare a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), which will place a tax on all development to provide for the necessary infrastructure.</p>	<p>plan preparation stages</p>
<p>Object to the scale of growth on Green Belt land as it is contrary to national policy</p>	<p>497, 610, 825, 872, 877, 879, 880, 884, 888, 1048, 1076, 1091, 1104, 1125, 1268, 1659, 1661, 1668, 1934, 1936, 1941, 1944, 1948, 1961, 1966, 1972, 1975, 1977, 1980, 1984, 1988, 1990, 2166, 2167, 2169, 2173, 2179, 2196, 2204, 2212, 2216, 2218, 2221, 2222, 2227, 2229, 2232, 2235, 2238, 2239, 2242, 2246, 2249, 2252, 2254, 2258, 2292, 2296, 2301, 2304, 2325, 2327, 2340, 2342, 2344, 2359, 2379, 2381, 2383, 2385, 2387, 2390, 2391, 2393, 2395, 2397, 2400, 2403, 2406, 2409, 2412, 2414, 2416, 2418, 2420, 2422, 2426, 2428, 2430, 2432, 2436, 2441, 2443, 2445, 2447, 2449, 2451, 2453, 2455, 2457, 2459, 2461, 2463, 2465, 2467, 2469, 2424, 2434, 2404, 2439, 2662, 2668, 2678, 2681, 2684, 2686, 2688, 3108, 3110, 3164, 3166, 3168, 3170, 3493, 3513, 3566, 3598, 3601, 3613, 4197, 4322, 4332, 4822, 4881, 5043, 5094, 5171, 5194, 5196, 5198, 5200, 5202, 5204, 5206, 5208, 5211, 5214, 5215, 5217,</p>	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>In accordance with national planning policy, the LPA must consider whether its Green Belt boundaries need to be adjusted through the review of the Local Plan in order to allocate enough land to meet those needs.</p> <p>The Council have carried out a Green Belt review and identified the most appropriate locations for development so that the areas of highest Green belt value can be protected and defensible in the long term.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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	5222, 5224, 5227, 5229, 5232, 5236, 5240, 5242, 5252, 5254, 5256, 5259, 5261, 5263, 5265, 5267, 5269, 5271, 5273, 5276, 5278, 5281, 5283, 5285, 5287, 5289, 5291, 5294, 5296, 5298, 5300, 5412		
Ensure phasing mechanisms do not prejudice delivery	6198,	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The Local Plan will use an in-built mechanism to ‘plan, monitor and manage’ the delivery of its policies and proposals through the Authority’s Monitoring Report as required by the Localism Act 2011, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and the NPPF. This will report on the individual targets and indicators of the Core Strategy Monitoring Framework (presented as a supporting document for the Revised Preferred Options consultation) throughout the plan period, comparing progress against the Core Strategy’s Draft Phasing Programme, as set out in Appendix E of the Revised Preferred Options Report 2013.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single, more detailed Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore,</p>	<p>The Council will work with Landowners, Developers and the Development industry to ensure that sites allocated for development in later versions of the Local Plan are deliverable. The Council will also review the ‘Draft Phasing Strategy’ to ensure that development is suitably phased so that necessary improvements to infrastructure can be brought forward in a timely manner to support development.</p> <p>Consider whether to prepare a single Local Plan.</p>

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		the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.	
The Council should look at brownfield sites before Green Belt land	437, 609, 610, 2840,	Noted. The Council agrees with this opinion, which is why the 6,900 homes estimated to come from the urban area will maximise brownfield sites considered to be suitable, available and achievable for development. Brownfield sites constitute approximately 37% of this total urban capacity.	Consider whether a specific policy should include more detailed guidance on brownfield sites and their expected contribution to development delivery in the Borough.
The housing and economic requirements would increase crime.	4811,	Core Policy 13: Design and Environment sets out criteria for design principles, including solutions that would create safe environment. The Council will consider developing this further in the next version of the Local Plan.	Consider including Secure by Design and Park Mark in the next version of the Local Plan
The housing and economic requirements are to fuel growth in London and the Thames Gateway and are heavily influenced by Central Government	811, 1321, 1788, 2145, 2213, 3217, 3600, 3869, 3994, 5189	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.	N/A
Supports the previous strategy / unsure why the housing number has increase so much.	1212, 1910, 2145, 2317, 3051, 3217, 3718, 6613,	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to	N/A

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		<p>wider opportunities for growth. The NPPF was published when the Council were out for consultation on the previous strategy.</p> <p>The consultation on the previous strategy and the publication of the NPPF and the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014 reinforces that the previous strategy would be found unsound as the Council must meet its development needs.</p> <p>Development needs are based on population forecasts and economic forecasts rather than land capacity, which the previous strategy was based on. If the Council had pursued with the previous strategy, it is highly likely it would have submitted the document to the Planning Inspectorate to be told that it was not compliant with national policy and to review it.</p>	
<p>The housing and economic requirements are for those who want a house and not need a house</p>	<p>1773, 2134, 2140, 2960,</p>	<p>The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs.</p> <p>The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Council has used evidence to distribute the</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p>	
<p>No correlation between housing and economic requirements</p>	<p>806, 1321, 2361, 3678,</p>	<p>Noted. Recently released Planning Practice Guidance on the 'Assessment of Housing and Economic Development Needs' supports local planning authorities in objectively assessing and evidencing development needs for housing (both market and affordable); and economic development (which includes main town centre uses).</p> <p>To understand the 'objectively assessed need' for housing we must understand what is required to address demographic change over the plan period. The Planning Advisory Service (PAS) has prepared nine fundamental principles that should guide the approach to understand and calculate housing need, including the use of up to date demographic evidence to understand how the population has changed in the past and what components of change (births, deaths, migration) are that have contributed to this. Also to Benchmark different scenarios against the economic growth ambitions and population that will be required to deliver the total number of jobs.</p> <p>The Greater Essex Demographic Forecasts supplied by Edge Analytics uses a comparison of 2010 and 2011 population projection estimates from the Census and</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>assumes continuing trends in fertility, mortality and migration. It also takes into consideration Basildon's economic position within South Essex to formulate its recommendation of providing 800 dwellings per year to meet the objectively assessed needs for housing in the Borough. Therefore, the need to build housing is determined by the projected population increase, and the Employment Land & Premises Study, (which has been used to identify the requirement for employment land and jobs over the same plan period), has used a demand led approach in line with the NPPF to determine the employment requirements created by the increased number of households.</p> <p>The Council has used the appropriate evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
<p>Against new building in Billericay, Billericay can not cope</p>	<p>617, 865, 1170, 1332, 1571, 1689, 1770, 1910, 2690, 3230,</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape,</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p> <p>Continue to work with partners, stakeholders and communities.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how</p>

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		<p>Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>Further, the Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011, the Council would have to ask neighbouring authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	<p>these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>
Do not agree with increased	3336, 4777,	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires	Complete Gypsy & Traveller

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Traveller pitches		<p>Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches.</p> <p>Planning consultants working on behalf of the Council have completed a comprehensive Gypsy & Traveller Local Needs Accommodation Assessment, which has determined the number of pitches needed to be allocated throughout the plan period. The Council has subsequently commissioned a Gypsy & Traveller Site Survey Assessment to determine the most sustainable locations for these pitches and this document will be published as part of the Council's production of a Local Plan.</p>	Site Survey Assessment.
Wickford has already had a lot of development and would struggle with more growth	499, 1252, 3296,	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p> <p>Continue to work with partners, stakeholders and communities.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>Further, the Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011, the Council would have to ask neighbouring authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	
The number of houses to be built is not achievable	1239,	Noted. The Council will keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.	N/A
The Borough is not challenging the housing	1695, 3482, 4012, 5807,	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the

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<p>figures unlike neighbouring authorities.</p>		<p>objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>Further, the Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what</p>	<p>plan preparation stages</p> <p>Continue to work with partners, stakeholders and communities.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011, the Council would have to ask neighbouring authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p> <p>Until a Plan goes through an independent examination and is found to be sound, a Council cannot adopt the Plan. Therefore until neighbouring authorities adopt their plans, the figures within their plans could be unsound.</p>	
Basildon will suffer more than Billericay	838	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be</p>	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages

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<p>More housing does not mean more jobs</p>	<p>788, 896, 2159, 1867,</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The employment land has been determined from the Employment Land and Premises Study, which used the most to up date forecasts and tested a number of variables, such as different number of homes and changes in the economy, to identify an appropriate level of employment land to meet the needs of the Borough's.</p> <p>In addition, building homes counts for around 2.5% of the UK's GDP. Therefore, building more homes contributes to the construction industry, which would need to employ more people if more homes were to be built.</p> <p>Further, the Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty, the Council would have to ask neighbouring to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011 authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	
<p>Not enough detail</p>	<p>528, 574, 1608, 1802, 2002, 2888, 2912, 3746, 4663, 6556</p>	<p>Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>	<p>Consider whether to prepare a single Local Plan</p>
<p>We should stop increasing the UK's population</p>	<p>2799</p>	<p>The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p>	<p>The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need.</p>
<p>Other areas of the country should be redeveloped to</p>	<p>1278, 2063,</p>	<p>The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living</p>	<p>The Council will continue to review population projections</p>

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enable people to move there.		<p>longer. All Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>Development and regeneration is happening all over the Country and is national requirement for all areas to provide for growth. The Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty, the Council would have to ask neighbouring to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011 authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need.
Object to development in Ramsden Bellhouse	1938, 2317, 2774	Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages

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Object to PADC10	632	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p> <p>Review appropriateness of areas in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p>

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		<p>determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
<p>Level of growth will cause coalescence with neighbouring boroughs</p>	<p>1089</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p> <p>Review appropriateness of areas in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p>

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		<p>improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
Supports Spatial Option 2C	574	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Council should consider a combined Plan with Castle Point	6544	Development and regeneration is happening all over the Country and is national requirement for all areas to provide for growth. The Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth	Continue to work with partners and stakeholder, including neighbouring authorities.

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		<p>agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty, the Council would have to ask neighbouring to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011 authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p> <p>The Council work jointly with Castle Point on a number of different areas, including joint evidence bases. One of the joint evidence bases is the Strategic Housing Market Assessment, which has been used in the preparation of the Local Plan.</p>	
Employment land should consider uses out side of the B Classes	5309	Noted.	The Council will keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.
Question whether Basildon has met the full requirements of the 'Duty to Cooperate' and considered neighbouring authorities housing needs.	5280, 5304, 6549	Development and regeneration is happening all over the Country and is national requirement for all areas to provide for growth. The Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's	Continue to work with partners and stakeholder, including neighbouring authorities.

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		<p>development needs.</p> <p>The Council work jointly with neighbouring areas on a number of different areas, including joint evidence bases. One of the joint evidence bases is the Strategic Housing Market Assessment, which has been used in the preparation of the Local Plan. However, the Council will continue to work with neighbouring authorities and other partners on Duty to Co-operate issues.</p>	
The Council must take on local residents' views	285, 1992, 2008, 2010, 2013, 5124	Noted. The Council must demonstrate that they have taken account of all consultation comments to be legally compliant.	N/A
Acknowledge that Basildon will experience population growth	2794, 6585,	Noted	N/A
Wish to work alongside Basildon Borough Council with future requirements of education and health care	4597, 6585, 6630,	Noted and agreed.	Continue to work with partners and stakeholders
Has the Thurrock Container Port expansion been considered?	5993	The Thurrock Port Expansion has been considered in the Employment Land and Premises Study and the Housing Growth Topic Paper. All strategic development been factored into growth scenarios for the Borough so that any impact on Basildon can be planned for.	N/A
Aged population care is vital over the next 20 years.	5993	Noted. Core Policy 4 ensures that specialist accommodation is provided over the plan period.	N/A
The Council should ensure there is sufficient deliverable land supply to achieve the	3568, 6633	Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment	Review the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment on an annual basis

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level of housing need		<p>(SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.</p> <p>The HELAA and the Residential Land Assessment is taken into used to inform the five year land supply, years 6-10 and years 15+ to ensure deliverable sites are put forward over the plan period.</p>	and review the use of sites in the Residential Land Assessment.
The Council should ensure local homes built will go to local people.	260, 1181	<p>The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. All Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>Development and regeneration is happening all over the Country and is national requirement for all areas to</p>	The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need.

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		<p>provide for growth. The Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty, the Council would have to ask neighbouring to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011 authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	
<p>Building houses is not a need, it's a requirement</p>	<p>875</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The term used is defined by Government – the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Basildon will become part of Greater London</p>	<p>4836,</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p>

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		<p>improvements. The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
<p>More shops needed in Laindon</p>	<p>1463,</p>	<p>Noted. The Council are currently working closely with the landowners to bring forward the development. An extension to the Laindon Town Centre could be considered as part of these proposals.</p>	<p>Consider an extension to the Laindon Town Centre in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>
<p>Option 2B is better</p>	<p>2993,</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2B in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Accepts the Council has to provide homes and employment areas</p>	<p>1471,</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Population will only increase if housing is built</p>	<p>2070,</p>	<p>The Greater Essex Demographic Forecasts supplied by Edge Analytics uses a comparison of 2010 and 2011 population projection estimates from the Census and assumes continuing trends in fertility, mortality and migration. It also takes into consideration Basildon's</p>	<p>The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing</p>

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		<p>economic position within South Essex to formulate its recommendation of providing 800 dwellings per year to meet the objectively assessed needs for housing in the Borough. Therefore, the need to build housing is determined by the projected population increase and is not the corollary for it. For example, the 2011 Sub-National Population Projections estimate that the population in the Basildon Borough will increase from 174,971 to 187,879 by 2021.</p> <p>The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs.</p> <p>The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p>	<p>need and to progress the Local Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need.</p>
<p>The type of housing built should be aimed at the type of people the Borough wishes to attract for industry purposes.</p>	<p>3721,</p>	<p>Noted. One of the objectives of the Council's Corporate Plan, the National Planning Policy Framework and the Council's Local Plan Core Strategy is to provide for all. In accordance with the Equalities Act 2010, the Council can not provide for one particular community and not others.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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This should be an opportunity to improve the image of the Borough, especially Basildon to attract investment	4884,	Noted.	N/A
Planning Practice Guidance has not been mentioned in the Drivers for Change	6292,	Noted. Planning Practice Guidance was not issued until after the Revised Preferred Options had been published for public consultation.	The Council will keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan.
Need to implement initiatives to reduce opportunities of crime	404,	Core Policy 13: Design and Environment sets out criteria for design principles, including solutions that would create safe environment. The Council will consider developing this further in the next version of the Local Plan.	Consider including Secure by Design and Park Mark in the next version of the Local Plan
Observations regarding wording changes	3568	Noted. The Council will consider wording changes and will keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.	Consider wording changes.
Unspecified	184, 588, 813, 835, 836, 837, 886, 965, 1461, 2161, 2308, 2346, 3097, 3189, 3457, 3550, 3622, 3625, 3665, 3707, 3757, 3906, 3908, 3927, 3931, 4178, 4182, 4275, 4490, 4602, 4625, 4653, 4663, 4708, 4783, 4989, 5159, 5333, 5374, 5397, 5473, 5477, 5482, 5487, 5492, 5499, 5515, 5522, 5527, 5791, 5883, 5913, 5936, 5944, 5967, 6003, 6037, 6048, 6138, 6319, 6391, 6574, 6642, 6727, 6735, 6767, 6771, 6788, 6869, 6908, 6948, 7016, 7020, 7100, 7167, 7199, 7227, 7274, 7297, 7363, 7439, 7487, 7569, 7681, 7709, 7743, 7819, 7851, 7985, 8007, 8139, 8191, 8236, 8336, 8384, 8457, 8602, 8646, 8654, 8662, 8682, 8712, 8783, 8858, 8938, 8978, 9133,	Noted.	N/A

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Cannot comment / unsure	1006, 1677, 2762, 6428, 6602, 8332, 8388, 9213	Noted.	N/A

Question 2 – The Council will distribute the housing and economic requirements proportionately to each settlement. Do you agree? Please give reasons why.

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<p>SPATIAL OPTION 2A: Agree as is equal and addresses the social mix. It is also the most economical. Infrastructure is required to support this option.</p>	<p>34, 49, 81, 171, 177, 294, 446, 519, 529, 635, 815, 923, 940, 966, 1080, 1115, 1190, 1285, 1391, 1410, 1431, 1439, 1577, 1584, 1664, 1683, 1737, 1797, 2125, 2224, 2269, 2309, 2276, 2701, 2776, 2795, 2829, 2841, 2889, 2899, 2913, 3098, 3337, 3394, 3551, 3774, 3763, 3831, 3807, 3941, 3964, 3981, 4027, 4073, 4188, 4291, 4301, 4302, 4303, 4304, 4305, 4306, 4307, 4372, 5026, 5415, 5447, 5551, 5682, 5710, 5825, 5862, 5897, 5914, 5952, 6004, 6015, 6026, 6083, 6139, 6158, 6293, 6304, 6506, 6634, 6643, 6901, 6949, 7440, 7505, 7509, 7548, 7808, 7986, 8579, 8675, 8855, 8859, 8939, 9407, 9577, 9708, 9712</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p>
<p>SPATIAL OPTION 2B: Disagree. Basildon is overcrowded and the infrastructure cannot cope. Open spaces have been lost to development in Basildon. Billericay and Wickford should take more growth</p>	<p>2. 67, 423, 514, 569, 839, 915, 1170, 1351, 1374, 1652, 1696, 1947, 4014, 4089, 4170, 4983, 8969</p>	<p>Noted. The Council is trying through the Local Plan to avoid building on green spaces too much in the future. It accepts that green spaces are vital components of where people live and work and support wildlife, drainage management and recreation, as well as promote better health and well-being.</p> <p>This is one of the reasons why the Council believes that reviewing the Green Belt beyond the edges of the urban areas is a necessary consideration to accommodate development needs. Whilst this route will result in a loss of countryside, the development can be planned to incorporate new green spaces to become the parks and</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2B in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>

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		recreational areas of the future, supporting the Borough's growing population.	
SPATIAL OPTION 2C: Disagree. Basildon should take more of the growth as it has more infrastructure, better transport links, less sensitive Green Belt and was built to accommodate growth over Wickford and Billericay	89, 99, 110, 112, 130, 140, 149, 202, 219, 248, 288, 303, 438, 474, 604, 701, 704, 791, 798, 808, 874, 982, 996, 1014, 1015, 1030, 1037, 1053, 1062, 1108, 1131, 1135, 1182, 1229, 1259, 1284, 1300, 1348, 1355, 1400, 1401, 1415, 1448, 1466, 1550, 1582, 1587, 1709, 1763, 1803, 1814, 1846, 1864, 2004, 2064, 2102, 2194, 2205, 2362, 2785, 2800, 2819, 2950, 3153, 3201, 3212, 3218, 3264, 3275, 3286, 3315, 3434, 3519, 3607, 4009, 4013, 4039, 4565, 4629, 4638, 5466, 6588, 6620, 6557, 7714, 7736	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
GENERAL COMMENTS / OTHER SPATIAL OPTIONS			
Disagree as overpopulated, settlements have different characteristics, too much Green Belt will be lost and infrastructure issues	16, 58, 120, 211, 257, 261, 320, 339, 395, 402, 453, 467, 477, 485, 495, 500, 515, 556, 596, 618, 622, 648, 677, 690, 709, 745, 759, 774, 849, 850, 869, 870, 902, 957, 977, 996, 1018, 1024, 1026, 1073, 1209, 1213, 1225, 1240, 1247, 1248, 1269, 1323, 1333, 1341, 1362, 1383, 1447, 1466, 1476, 1483, 1498, 1508, 1522, 1525, 1594, 1609, 1637, 1678, 1690, 1754, 1774, 1776, 1789, 1822, 1840, 1880, 1911, 1927, 2020, 2026, 2039, 2052, 2080, 2097, 2116, 2135, 2141, 2146, 2215, 2266, 2711, 2722, 2284, 2369, 2733, 2752, 2878, 2811, 2849, 2856, 2867, 2903, 2923, 2931, 2938, 2974, 2985, 3012, 3026, 3035, 3052,	Noted. The Council is required by the national planning policy to meet the Borough's Objectively Assessed Needs for development. In accordance with national planning policy it must consider whether its Green Belt boundaries need to be adjusted through the review of the Local Plan in order to allocate enough land to meet those needs. The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify	The Council must continue to engage with infrastructure providers to identify what infrastructure is required to support the Borough's proposed growth, when it is needed by and how much it is forecast to cost.

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Proportionally against what? Should clarify what	781, 1007, 1721, 1749, 1868, 1903, 1993, 2012, 2015, 2130, 2320, 2362, 2369, 2961, 3082,	Noted.	Clarify the principles of Spatial Option 2A in future versions of

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development is proportionate against. This wording cannot be judged and therefore should not be included in the Policy.	3231, 3242, 3253, 3434, 4199, 4476, 4784, 4888, 5466, 6026, 6038, 6200, 6304	<p>The proportionate option was based on a principle of expanding the three main settlements of the Borough (Basildon – including Laindon and Pitsea, Billericay and Wickford) to sizes which were based on a proportionate increase in the estimated population size of the settlements.</p> <p>This is set out in more detail in the Spatial Options Topic Paper 2013.</p>	the Local Plan Core Strategy.
Option 2a is disproportionate	3582	<p>Core Policy 1 – Settlement Housing Distribution, states that the Council will distribute a proportionate amount of growth (Option 2A) to the main towns in line with the Settlement Hierarchy. This means that a similar proportion of housing will be distributed to each settlement depending on the size of the original settlement area. For example, 2011 Census data relating to the total number of households contained in the different wards for each of the three largest settlements show approximately 12,541 households in Billericay, 12,825 in Wickford and 44,776 in Basildon. Therefore, the proposed allocation in Spatial Option 2A of 2,500 in Billericay, 2,800 in Wickford and 10,125 in Basildon represents an increase of between 20–23% for each of these settlements.</p>	Consider wording changes to Core Policy 1 to provide more clarity as to the ideology behind the spatial distribution of development within the Local Plan Core Strategy.
Should use derelict and unused brownfield sites first. This may not spread development proportionally but would	8, 74, 228, 237, 618, 662, 1157, 1404, 1488, 1558, 1729, 1965, 2023, 2369, 2994, 3005, 3462, 3647, 3870, 4747	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The Council agrees with this opinion, which is why the 6,900 homes estimated to come from the urban area will maximise brownfield sites considered to be</p>	Consider whether a specific policy should include more detailed guidance on brownfield sites and their expected contribution to

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save the countryside		<p>suitable, available and achievable for development. Brownfield sites constitute approximately 37% of this total urban capacity.</p> <p>There are however not enough brownfield sites in Billericay, Wickford and Basildon (including Laindon and Pitsea) to meet the Borough's residential and employment development requirements and therefore, in accordance with the NPPF the Council must review its other land opportunities in the Borough, including Green Belt to help meet the shortfall.</p>	development delivery in the Borough.
Disagree. Development should be around Basildon and Billericay, Wickford should be protected as it does not have the service and infrastructure to cope	264, 396, 545, 633, 812, 1154, 6106	The purpose of the Local Plan Core Strategy is to consider the areas afresh and not assume that no investment will be required in key services or infrastructure. Part of the Local Plan's function is, through policy and supporting mechanisms such as CIL, to enable the upgrading of local infrastructure to acceptable standards to cope with development pressure. It is not appropriate for the Council to base its decisions on the state of an area's current infrastructure and assume there would be no investment possible through development.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Bowers Gifford will grow over a reasonable amount	276	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Disagree. Development	335, 434, 4157	The purpose of the Local Plan Core Strategy is to	Review appropriateness of

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should be around Wickford, over Billericay as Wickford needs regeneration and Billericay does not have the infrastructure and a thriving town centre		consider the areas afresh and not assume that no investment will be required in key services or infrastructure. Part of the Local Plan's function is, through policy and supporting mechanisms such as CIL, to enable the upgrading of local infrastructure to acceptable standards to cope with development pressure. It is not appropriate for the Council to base its decisions on the state of an area's current infrastructure and assume there would be no investment possible through development.	Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Disagree. More development should go to Billericay and Little Burstead, which have taken limited growth in the past.	1312	<p>Noted. The Council's evidence base shows that there are more environmental and heritage constraints around Billericay and Little Burstead, some of which are protected by law, such as Sites of Special Scientific Interest, Scheduled Monuments and Conservation Areas which – limit the areas' growth potential.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
More development could go on the Runwell Hospital site	2052	Noted. The Runwell Hospital site is located within the boundary of Chelmsford City Council. Therefore, if any further development were to take place in this area, it would not contribute to the objectively assessed needs of the Basildon Borough. As such, additional development sites would still need to be found within the Basildon Borough as Runwell Hospital cannot be considered as an alternative. The only alternative would be a comprehensive development around Runwell	Continue to work with Chelmsford City Council on cross boundary issues under the Duty to Cooperate.

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		Hospital that covered an area on either side of the Borough boundary so that other proposed development sites within the Basildon Borough could be relocated to this area. Basildon Borough Council has insufficient evidence to suggest that this would be a deliverable option within the plan period.	
Disagree. Build in big cities and town centres where it is suitable	1073, 1560, 1596, 1616, 1726, 2183	<p>Noted. The remit of the Local Plan Core Strategy concerns the Basildon Borough only and the Council is required by the NPPF to meet its Objectively Assessed Need within its boundary.</p> <p>The Local Plan already assumes that at least 2,100 new homes will be built in the Borough's town centres, predominantly Basildon Town Centre through a coordinated 20 year masterplan regeneration programme.</p>	Continue to realise opportunities to maximise the development potential of the Borough's town centres.
Future need in the Borough is difficult to forecast	357	Noted.	N/A
<p>Evidence does not mention engagement with UK Power Networks in respects of their substations at Nevendon and Lower Dunton Road.</p> <p>It also does not mention anything about Combined Heat and Power (CHP) opportunities. Because of</p>	575	<p>Noted. The Council did engage with UK Power Networks in the production of the Local Plan, in particular, during the preparation of the Infrastructure Baseline Study 2013; however it is acknowledged that Table 1 and the subsequent summary does reference this activity.</p> <p>The Baseline Study is a working document until the Local Plan Core Strategy is ready for Submission to the Secretary of State and it can be updated as and when required.</p>	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study to include the engagement with, and responses from UK Power Networks on Borough's growth proposals and impact on its network.

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physical constraints posed by the A127, consideration of the heat network should omit serving prospective heat users north of A127.		The design and routing of a potential CHP scheme and its supporting pipeline network to serve any potential development location or existing communities is too detailed to be considered in the Local Plan Core Strategy and would instead be a matter addressed by the Site Allocations in either the Basildon Local Plan/ Essex Waste Plan – depending on its classification, or considered as part of a future planning application.	
Land identified for development should be suitable not just adjacent to urban area. It should have the right infrastructure.	690, 887, 1729, 1762, 1893, 2329	Noted. The Council has identified sites which are suitable, available and achievable for development in line with the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment. It has not chosen locations solely because they are adjacent to the urban areas and has proposed that infrastructure improvements are made locally where required to mitigate the impact development could otherwise have.	Provide more detail in the Local Plan on the infrastructure upgrades required for each development location.
Disagree. Land at Barleylands should be used	709	<p>The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>The Spatial Options Topic Paper explains that the evidence base clearly demonstrates the Borough cannot accommodate a new settlement due to its size and</p>	N/A

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		<p>existing settlement locations.</p> <p>The Council did evaluate land in the vicinity of Barleylands for its development potential, however evidence has shown that its position in the Upper Crouch Valley and its separation from other settlements and services would mean it is constrained by floodplain and less sustainable to develop compared to alternative locations in the Borough to meet development needs.</p>	
<p>Disagree. Development should be south of the A13 near Pitsea and expand Bowers Gifford</p>	<p>808</p>	<p>Land to the south of the A13 (around 10% of the Borough's total land area) is largely constrained by national wildlife sites, tidal floodplain, grazing marsh, RSPB nature reserves, a country park and waste disposal operations. This location is therefore not suitable for meeting development needs, which is why the Local Plan proposes to enhance the area's recreational potential through expanded nature reserves and enhanced public access instead as PAD7.</p> <p>It has already been proposed in the Local Plan that the village of Bowers Gifford takes a share of 200 homes split between Crays Hill, Ramsden Bellhouse and itself. In addition, a broad area north of Bowers Gifford and North Benfleet has been proposed to accommodate at least 2,000 homes through PAD6.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Properties will still be unaffordable. There should be more affordable homes.</p>	<p>44, 718, 3585,</p>	<p>National planning policy requires Local Plans to identify and meet in full the Objectively Assessed Needs for market and affordable housing.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>For planning purposes, “affordable housing” is defined by the Government’s Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) as: “Social rented, affordable rented and intermediate housing provided to eligible households whose needs are not met by the market.” The three types are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social housing - owned by the local authorities and private registered providers. Rents informed by the national rent regime. • Affordable rented housing - is let by local authorities or private registered providers of social housing to households who are eligible for social rented housing, but it is subject to rent controls that require rent of no more than 80% of the local market rent. • Intermediate housing - is homes for sale and rent provided at a cost above social rent, but below market levels. This includes shared ownership, shared equity, <p>The term is not used to describe homes that are available for private sale (from a developer).</p> <p>The Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA 2013) has evaluated affordability issues across South Essex in light of the need for housing growth and in the context of the need for different affordable housing types</p>	

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		<p>(Shared Ownership, Intermediate Rent and Social Housing). It identifies that a target of at least 36% should be established in the Basildon Borough to provide more affordable homes from development schemes. This is an increase from the current Local Plan policy of 15-30% and has been set out in the proposed new Affordable Homes policy.</p> <p>In addition, the Council is proposing to introduce a new 'deferred contribution' clause into the planning policy which will see viability tested twice (at the time of application and once a development has been built), to ensure the Borough does not lose out of possible affordable housing contributions in the event that the market improves.</p>	
<p>Housing distribution at Crays and Ramsden Bellhouse should be increased and even separated out for each specific settlement not grouped for Crays Hill, Bowers Gifford and Ramsden Bellhouse.</p>	<p>1180, 1320</p>	<p>Noted. The Council must use its evidence base to determine an appropriate allocations for each village and accepts that the total housing allocation for each village should be defined, rather than grouped together to enable the better planning and delivery of development in these locations.</p>	<p>To improve clarity for local communities and certainty for plan delivery set out the housing targets for Crays Hill, Ramsden Bellhouse and Bowers Gifford.</p>
<p>Disagree. Should build a new settlement</p>	<p>412, 1877, 2061, 4080, 4101, 5792, 5808</p>	<p>The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>The Spatial Options Topic Paper explains that the evidence base clearly demonstrates the Borough cannot accommodate a new settlement due to its size and existing settlement locations.</p>	
More housing does not mean more jobs	4837	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The employment land has been determined from the Employment Land and Premises Study, which used the most up to date forecasts and tested a number of variables, such as different number of homes and changes in the economy, to identify an appropriate level of employment land to meet the needs of the Borough's.</p>	More housing does not mean more jobs
Disagrees with the housing and economic requirements	7156	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will work with</p>

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		<p>Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and economic East of England Forecast Model, that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area. The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised provision.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with</p>	<p>relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
<p>Council should consider the potential of identifying smaller scale sustainable sites in the Green Belt in view of urgent lack of housing land supply</p>	<p>2502</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>The Council should consider grouping its Core Policies, Site Allocations and Development Management policies into one Local Plan document that could provide enough detail on the sites and infrastructure requirements to ensure the</p>

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			Council can meet its 5 year housing land supply.
Smaller plots should be considered for housing as it will not impact on the infrastructure	3921	Noted. The Core Strategy already assumes that at least 415 units will come from minor amendments to the Green Belt boundary on sites providing 99 units or less, together with a further 375 units from the development of vacant plots in the Borough's Plotlands.	N/A
Overall level of development for Basildon is ambitious and the spatial strategy will be required to be robust enough to accommodate the development within the Borough, whilst being flexible if not all development areas come forward as proposed during the plan period.	24, 2269, 4618, 5192, 6004, 6293	<p>Noted. The Council must demonstrate that they have taken account of all consultation comments to be legally compliant. Once the Council has agreed what actions will be taken in light of the representations made, it can consider whether it needs to update its Local Development Scheme (LDS) to account for any timetable slippage, or Cabinet decisions on the Plan.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>	<p>The Council should consider grouping its Core Policies, Site Allocations and Development Management policies into one Local Plan document that could provide enough detail on the sites and infrastructure requirements to ensure the Council can meet its 5 year housing land supply.</p> <p>Review the Council's Local Development Scheme (LDS).</p>
Concern over whether there is sufficient land available.	3582	Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for	Review the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment on an annual basis and review the use of sites in the Residential Land Assessment.

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		<p>development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.</p> <p>The HELAA and the Residential Land Assessment is taken into used to inform the five year land supply, years 6-10 and years 15+ to ensure deliverable sites are put forward over the plan period.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Additional sites outside the suggested PADC areas are required to support growth</p>	<p>2913, 3098</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of alternative PADCs in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Basildon Gateway is considered to be an alternative area that could be used to support growth.</p>	<p>5426</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of alternative PADCs in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Land to the east of Billericay is considered to be additional area that could be used to support growth on a comparable basis to PADC13 and PADC14.</p>	<p>5710</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of alternative PADCs in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Land to the east of Noak</p>	<p>5952</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of</p>

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Bridge is considered to be an additional area that could be developed to support the need for sustainable growth in Basildon.			alternative PADCs in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Will new jobs be created in the area? Should be equal to the housing growth.	74, 1253, 3043, 4888	<p>Noted. Yes, it is anticipated that new jobs will be created in the area from the provision of new industrial land, town centre regeneration and supporting infrastructure (such as expanded/ new schools).</p> <p>The Borough's forecast jobs growth is not equal to housing growth as it is inappropriate to assume all jobs for people living in the Borough, would also be based in the Borough, given that people already commute to neighbouring areas and the City of London to different types of jobs.</p>	N/A
Basildon, Laindon and Pitsea are separate communities and should not be joined together.	359, 374,	It is recognised that Basildon, Laindon and Pitsea are separate communities within the Borough; however for planning purposes they are component parts of the same large settlement.	N/A
Basildon Borough has five railway stations, yet more investment is being spent in Basildon again. A significant proportion of new builds should be within walking distance of stations and investment	786	Noted. The Council has identified sites which are suitable, available and achievable for development in line with the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment. It has not chosen locations solely because they are next to stations and has proposed that various infrastructure improvements are made locally where required to mitigate the impact development could otherwise have.	Provide more detail in the Local Plan on the infrastructure upgrades required for each development location.

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made to bring all residential areas and facilities up to the same high standard.			
Disagree. The justification to distribute growth equally is not supported or clarified in the evidence and may have serious adverse effects on parts of the Borough where growth is required	5305, 6038	The alternative options of 2B and 2C are however not considered to be more sustainable approaches to accommodating the Borough's development requirements. The Council will however need to review this position in light of responses to the consultation.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Appears to be a mathematical error relating to the delivery of homes from PADCS and Core Policy 1	6038	<p>There is no error. An explanation is given below.</p> <p>Basildon: Basildon's PADCs total <u>7,175</u> homes, as set out below: PADC1 – 2,000 homes PADC2 – 150 homes PADC3 – some residential, but no specific figure in the Core Strategy PADC4 – 725 homes PADC5 – 2,300 homes PADC6 – 2,000 homes PADC7 – N/A, as environmental designation</p> <p>Basildon's urban area provision in Table 4.1 is: dwellings units completed – <u>1,675</u> SHLAA urban dwelling unit capacity – <u>1,100</u></p>	N/A

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		<p>Core Policy 1 (E) recognises that 415 dwellings should be provided from minor amendments to the Green Belt. <u>175</u> of these will be within Basildon.</p> <p>7,175 + 1,675 + 1,100 + 175 = <u>10,125</u></p> <p>Wickford: Wickford PADCs total <u>1,800</u> homes as set out below: PADC8 – 50 homes PADC9 – 150 homes PADC10 – 760 homes PADC11 – 220 homes PADC12 – 620 homes</p> <p>Wickford’s urban area provision in Table 4.1 is: dwellings units completed – <u>800</u> SHLAA urban dwelling unit capacity – <u>200</u></p> <p>1,800 + 800 + 200 = <u>2,800</u></p> <p>Billericay: Billericay PADCs total <u>2,010</u> homes as set out below: PADC13 – 180 homes PADC14 – 430 homes PADC15 – 1,400 homes</p> <p>Billericay’s urban area provision in Table 4.1 is: dwellings units completed – <u>200</u> Footnote 35 explains that <u>50</u> dwellings have been</p>	

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		<p>provided but there are in the Green Belt.</p> <p>Core Policy 1 (E) recognises that 415 dwellings should be provided from minor amendments to the Green Belt. <u>240</u> of these will be within Billericay.</p> <p>2,010 + 200 + 50 + 240 = <u>2,500</u></p> <p>Core Policy 1 sets out that serviced settlements of Crays Hill, Ramsden Bellhouse and Bowers Gifford will provide 200 homes and unserviced settlements will provide 375 homes.</p>	
<p>Why should Little Burstead and Noak Bridge areas be ring fenced from development?</p>	<p>24, 6498</p>	<p>Noted. These areas are not ring-fenced from development. The Revised Preferred Options Report only set out PADCs for developments of 100 units of more as major sites. Small sites (99 units or less) could however still be released from the Green Belt in these areas as minor amendments to the Green Belt boundary, in accordance with Policy GB11.</p> <p>The completion of Transport Modelling and new/ updated evidence may also mean these areas need to be reconsidered to determine whether Spatial Option 2A and the locations chosen for development as part of it, remain appropriate.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of PADCS in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p> <p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p>
<p>More should be mentioned about the serviced settlements, phasing of the developments in these</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The Local Plan will use an in-built mechanism to 'plan, monitor and manage' the delivery of its policies and</p>	<p>The Council will work with Landowners, Developers and the Development industry to ensure that sites allocated for</p>

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areas should be set out.		<p>proposals through the Authority's Monitoring Report as required by the Localism Act 2011, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and the NPPF. This will report on the individual targets and indicators of the Core Strategy Monitoring Framework (presented as a supporting document for the Revised Preferred Options consultation) throughout the plan period, comparing progress against the Core Strategy's Draft Phasing Programme, as set out in Appendix E of the Revised Preferred Options Report 2013.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single, more detailed Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>	<p>development in later versions of the Local Plan are deliverable. The Council will also review the 'Draft Phasing Strategy' to ensure that development is suitably phased so that necessary improvements to infrastructure can be brought forward in a timely manner to support development.</p> <p>Consider whether to prepare a single Local Plan.</p>
Need to take account the facilities offered in serviced and unserviced villages and plotlands.	821	The Settlement Hierarchy (2012) has taken into account the facilities in the smaller settlements. It is through this analysis that settlements in the Borough were split into "Serviced" and "Unserviced".	N/A

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Billericay's historical assets will be destroyed / need to be considered	759,	<p>Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) states Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should have a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. The Council recognises that the Borough has a limited</p> <p>Number of heritage assets, which need to be protected and sensitively managed for the future. There are 129 Listed Buildings, the greatest concentrations of which are in Billericay High Street. There are four Conservation Areas, all of which the Council had appraised in 2010/2011 and all now have Management Plans for the first time. There are also 3 Scheduled Monuments and over 500 archaeological records.</p> <p>Taking this context into account, the Council has considered the historical assets of Billericay and the wider Borough when preparing the Core Strategy, much of which was brought together through a Historic Environment Characterisation Assessment -undertaken in 2010, which ensures the heritage of the Borough can be interpreted on a spatial scale and inform the Borough's development.</p>	N/A
Works should bear residents in mind and should benefit the existing community	1145	The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to	The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local

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		<p>meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>In the production of the Council's Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options, careful consideration of different communities has been made including such things as housing density, housing mix, design and the built environment, flood risk, conservation and the natural environment, open spaces, and supporting infrastructure such as schools, hospitals etc. to ensure that any new development is not only in keeping with the existing settlement but also provides a benefit to new and existing communities.</p>	<p>Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need.</p>
<p>Cannot formulate a response as do not know where the sites are and not enough detail provided.</p>	<p>1554, 1845</p>	<p>Noted. The Core Strategy only sets out broad locations for development, not specific sites, which will be allocated in a separate Site Allocations Local Plan.</p>	<p>The Council should consider the merits of providing more site specific detail in the next draft of the Local Plan to make it easier for people to</p>

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			comment on development proposals.
Issues with the consultation, including its publicity and that comments will not be listened to.	308, 858	<p>The consultation Statement document sets out how the consultation was advertised. The consultation was publicised for 10 weeks in local press, on buses, train stations, in town centre based adverts/bill boards, on the Council website and on local radio.</p> <p>The Local Plan process is assessed by the Secretary of State who appoints a Planning Inspector. The Planning Inspector will independently examine the Local Plan and all its supporting documentation.</p> <p>Further, many of the evidence bases have been prepared independently by consultants and experts in their specific fields. The Local Plan is also subject to public consultation, which must be taken into account through plan preparation.</p>	N/A
Cannot comment / unsure	9302,	Noted.	N/A
Unspecified	185, 308, 387, 2347, 2763, 3190, 3384, 3460, 3626, 3714, 3816, 3826, 3904, 4242, 4335, 4365, 4401, 4603, 4734, 4990, 5118, 5334, 5375, 5382, 5398, 5464, 5479, 5512, 5528, 5622, 5647, 5739, 5645, 5978, 6049, 6244, 6320, 6348, 6364, 6401, 6405, 6429, 6575, 6603, 6614, 6943, 6789, 6870, 7017, 7021, 7168, 7192, 7212, 7275, 7347, 7364, 7582, 7670, 7674, 7682, 7710, 7718, 7720, 7856, 8012, 8016, 8052, 8140, 8192, 8333, 8337,	Noted.	N/A

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Question 3 – Do you agree with the approach for Basildon to grow? Please give reasons why.

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Support the approach for Basildon to grow	25, 35, 50, 82, 100, 113, 131, 163, 172, 178, 220, 238, 261, 295, 361, 375, 405, 413, 517, 530, 672, 707, 816, 941, 958, 967, 1116, 1192, 1286, 1261, 1287, 1327, 1334, 1349, 1360, 1411, 1418, 1432, 1440, 1484, 1489, 1588, 1665, 1684, 1691, 1733, 1798, 1804, 1815, 1849, 1882, 1894, 1928, 1986, 2006, 2177, 2270, 2702, 2777, 2842, 2857, 2786, 2914, 2951, 2986, 3006, 3083, 3144, 3232, 3254, 3265, 3276, 3287, 3396, 3520, 3766, 3786, 3871, 3942, 3965, 3983, 4040, 4159, 4254, 4373, 4581, 4620, 4639, 4785, 4821, 4891, 5161, 5416, 5552, 6016, 6305, 6576, 6621, 6644, 7232, 7268	Noted.	N/A.
Accepts that Basildon needs to grow	581	Noted.	N/A.
Agree with PADC1 (Basildon Town Centre)	1377, 1465, 1665, 1750, 1815, 2001, 2357, 4010, 4016, 4181, 4620, 5928, 5953, 6064, 6090	Noted.	N/A.
Disagree with PADC1 (Basildon Town Centre) - bringing the new college and moving the market	516, 1171, 1722, 2995	Noted. The Core Strategy must reflect the fact that PADC4 has planning permission to provide 750 new homes and the following supporting infrastructure – a new local shopping parade, a new primary school, future expansion land for St Luke’s Hospice, new open spaces, new roads and upgrades to the A176 and Dry Street, in addition to a relocated college and market in PADC1: Basildon Town Centre.	N/A.
PADC1 delivery should be more specific	2357	Noted. The ‘Delivery’ section of the Policy Area for Development and Change (PADC1) contains	The Council should consider grouping its Core

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		<p>reference to the Basildon Town Centre Masterplan, which contains much more detail on the regeneration programme as set out for Basildon Town Centre.</p> <p>The Council must demonstrate that they have taken account of all consultation comments to be legally compliant. Once the Council has agreed what actions will be taken in light of the representations made, it can consider whether it needs to update its Local Development Scheme (LDS) to account for any timetable slippage, or Cabinet decisions on the Plan.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>	<p>Policies, Site Allocations and Development Management policies into one Local Plan document that could provide enough detail on the sites and infrastructure requirements to ensure the Council can meet its 5 year housing land supply.</p> <p>Review the Council's Local Development Scheme (LDS).</p> <p>Consider re-wording the Delivery element of PADC1 and review the phasing strategy of the Local Plan.</p>
Agree with PADC2 (Laindon Town Centre)	424, 1377, 1722, 3832, 5953	Noted.	N/A.
Agree with PADC3 (A127 Enterprise Corridor)	1722, 6635	Noted.	N/A.
PADC3 should be amended to include non-B Class employment uses	6170	Noted. The Employment Land & Premises Study (ELPS) identified that the enterprise corridor (PADC3) would require the retention of all B-class units (and additional B-class units) to maintain Basildon's status as an employment hub within the	The Council is updating its Retail & Leisure Study and will consider explicit accounting of non-B Class employment uses as the

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		<p>wider Thames Gateway and Essex area, and to support its local economy. The ELPS removed strategic areas of different use classes, for example Festival Leisure Park, from the enterprise corridor to improve flexibility of the wider area.</p> <p>The Council has carried a study into ‘Leisure, Arts, Culture & Tourist accommodation in Basildon District and an update of Prospects for Retail Sector Capacity – July 2010’ and has commissioned further work to update this Retail & Leisure study in order to identify existing other use class facilities in the Borough, the future needs for additional retail and other employment uses, facilities and the capacity for Basildon’s centres to meet demand through identification of sites.</p> <p>The Council, will keep this under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event of any evidence or priorities change.</p>	<p>Local Plan progresses.</p> <p>Consider policy wording of PADC3.</p>
PADC3 should include wording on ecology similar to PADC1	6589	Noted.	Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.
Agree with PADC4 (Nethermayne Urban Extension)	6090	Noted.	N/A.
Disagree with PADC4 (Nethermayne Urban Extension)	150, 535, 623, 691, 1063, 1377, 1722, 1777, 1790, 2760, 3673, 3723, 3820, 4021, 4094, 4201, 5127, 6558, 6589, 6604, 8970	Noted.	N/A.
Agree with PADC5 (West	5293, 6201	Noted.	N/A.

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Basildon Urban Extension)			
Disagree with PAD5 (West Basildon Urban Extension)	570, 623, 1082, 1088, 1722, 2268, 3583, 3679, 4995, 4996, 4997, 4998, 4999, 5193, 6170	Noted.	N/A.
PAD5 could create coalescence between West Horndon and Basildon	5193	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with neighbouring authorities under the Duty to Cooperate to ensure that the character and identity of settlements within the Basildon Borough are retained.</p>

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		<p>each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
<p>Lack of technical evidence and transport modelling for the proposed development</p>	<p>5193</p>	<p>Noted. The Basildon Borough Local Plan Highway Impact Assessment was commissioned to provide an assessment of the impact of Local Plan Spatial Options for development of 16,000 households and associated employment development on the highway network in the Basildon Borough up to the year 2031. It is appreciated that this assessment only goes into a certain amount of detail in terms of the potential impact of development on the road network and additional evidence will need to be gathered to work up required improvements that will need to accompany each proposed area for development.</p> <p>Basildon Borough Council in partnership with Essex County Council has commissioned Essex Highways to carry out mitigation modelling on the highway impact of potential development sites to determine whether or not the level of development proposed can be successfully accommodated.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under</p>	<p>Revisions will be made as appropriate to the Local Plan evidence base as work progresses to pre-submission stage.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>

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		<p>review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. This document is available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p>	
Can not see how PADC5 and / or PADC6 can be delivered when evidence suggests	2363, 5552	Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing	Review the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment on an annual

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there is not enough land capacity for proposed growth		<p>Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.</p> <p>The HELAA and the Residential Land Assessment is taken into used to inform the five year land supply, years 6-10 and years 15+ to ensure deliverable sites are put forward over the plan period.</p>	<p>basis and review the use of sites in the Residential Land Assessment.</p> <p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
Agree with PAD6 (North East Basildon Urban Extension)	90, 141, 150, 183, 203, 249, 265, 289, 304, 475, 702, 1054, 2820, 4075, 5060, 5552, 6589	Noted.	N/A.
Disagree with PAD6 (North East Basildon Urban Extension)	1722, 2261, 3154	Noted.	N/A.
Evidence suggests south east Basildon is a better option	3154, 6140	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and	Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.

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		<p>Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages.</p>
Agree with PAD7 (South Essex Marshes)	1171, 3044, 3094, 6589	Noted.	N/A
Suggested worded changes to PAD7s	405, 2177, 4620, 5293, 5928, 6064, 6090	Noted.	Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.
Disagree with the Core Strategy	121, 799, 1230, 1777, 2147, 2932, 3649, 3743, 4118	Noted.	N/A
Preferred previous Option A	3053	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy	N/A

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		<p>Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth. The NPPF was published when the Council were out for consultation on the previous strategy.</p> <p>The consultation on the previous strategy and the publication of the NPPF and the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014 reinforces that the previous strategy would be found unsound as the Council must meet its development needs.</p> <p>Development needs are based on population forecasts and economic forecasts rather than land capacity, which the previous strategy was based on. If the Council had pursued with the previous strategy, it would have submitted the document to the Planning Inspectorate to be told that it was not compliant with national policy and to review it.</p>	
Disagree with the approach for Basildon to grow	9, 17, 68, 277, 341, 454, 509, 576, 775, 916, 924, 1027, 1081, 1038, 1109, 1159, 1230, 1310, 1578, 1653, 1722, 1779, 1865, 1967, 2103, 2288, 2850, 2924, 4109, 4817, 4960, 5042	Noted.	N/A
Basildon is large enough already, it has grown as	4, 557, 847, 852, 853, 859, 1019, 1386, 1392, 1405, 1510, 1526, 1638, 1734, 1750, 1838,	Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The	Review appropriateness of development locations in

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much as it can	1842, 1876, 2126, 2753, 2890, 2904, 3060, 3180, 3997, 4606, 4694, 4842, 4946, 5099, 7213	Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.	light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Basildon needs more leisure / entertainment	9, 2357	<p>Noted. The Borough has a good overall distribution of public leisure facilities, including swimming pools and leisure centres in Billericay and Wickford and the multi-purpose Basildon Sporting village in Gloucester Park, Basildon.</p> <p>Culturally, there is limited range of public performing art venues, galleries and museums within the Borough, especially when compared with sports based recreation facilities, or comparable venues in other towns or cities nearby.</p> <p>Core Policy 18 – Education, Community, Leisure and Cultural Facilities states that the Council will require all new development that will increase demand for social, leisure and cultural facilities to contribute towards providing new facilities where there is a need created by the development; or to enhance existing facilities in the vicinity to meet expanding needs in accordance with the Council’s relevant standards.</p>	<p>The Council will carry out an update to its Retail & Leisure Capacity Study, which will provide an assessment of the future needs and capacity for retail, leisure, arts, culture and tourism.</p> <p>Through the Borough’s Local Development Plan, the Council will facilitate and promote a vibrant night time economy by encouraging a mixture of compatible uses in Regional or Town centres.</p>

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		<p>The Council recognises that Basildon Town Centre has an under provision of service, catering and leisure uses which severely restricts the night-time economy within the town centre. As such, Core Policy 8 of the Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options states that Basildon Town Centre will be the primary focus for all future major retail and leisure development, alongside supporting education, cultural and employment uses.</p>	
<p>The Council should build on brownfield sites and empty properties first</p>	<p>121, 238, 840, 1301, 1477, 1882, 1994, 2062, 3202, 3649, 4010, 4016, 4785, 5104, 5173, 7268, 8221</p>	<p>Noted. The Council agrees with this opinion, which is why the 6,900 homes estimated to come from the urban area will maximise brownfield sites considered to be suitable, available and achievable for development. Brownfield sites constitute approximately 37% of this total urban capacity.</p>	<p>Consider whether a specific policy should include more detailed guidance on brownfield sites and their expected contribution to development delivery in the Borough.</p>
<p>No evidence to imply Basildon needs as many houses or that incomers would find employment</p>	<p>212, 3435</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need and the Council has carried out a number of independent studies to determine what the needs of the Borough are up to 2031. These include the EPOA Essex Demographic Forecasts (Jan 2013), the Greater Essex Demographic Forecasts 2012-2037, the Thames Gateway South Essex (TGSE) Strategic Housing Market Assessment (Dec 2013), the Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Local Needs Accommodation Assessment (Mar 2014), the Housing Growth Topic Paper (Aug 2013) carried out by Edge Analytics and the Employment Land & Premises Study (Atkins Jul 2013). All of these studies</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>are available on the Council's website and have determined that the Borough's objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller Pitches.</p> <p>The Employment Land and Premises Study assesses the current provision for employment in the Borough and provides an assessment of future demand and market demands, and evaluates current policies and research in neighbouring authority areas.</p> <p>The study has involved a comprehensive assessment of the future demand for employment land that complies with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), including the need to be more flexible and responsive to market signals and the need to demonstrate greater co-operation with neighbouring authorities.</p>	
Expanding Basildon will not benefit residents	229, 2924	The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road	N/A

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Billericay and / or Wickford should take more growth	256, 840, 1314, 4976, 4984	<p>improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. However, the objectively assessed need is a minimum and the Council will assess planning applications in line with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.</p>	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2B in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Other areas outside of Basildon should take more growth	501, 746, 997, 1467, 1823, 2850	<p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs within its own boundary. As yet, the Council has no evidence to suggest that the Borough's objectively assessed needs cannot be met within the Borough boundary. Therefore, the Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. However, the objectively assessed need is a minimum and the Council will assess planning applications in line with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.</p>	<p>Complete the Evidence Base which supports the Local Plan to determine whether there are any major constraints to the provision of the Borough's objectively assessed needs within its own administrative boundary.</p> <p>Work with neighbouring authorities under the Duty to Cooperate to ensure that proposed Local Development Plans meet the objectively assessed needs of Essex Borough's, and the unmet needs of</p>

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			other local authority areas where reasonable to do so.
Sites have not been identified in PAD15 and its deliverability and soundness is questionable	5383	Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.	Sites have not been identified in PAD15 and its deliverability and soundness is questionable
Basildon needs better infrastructure such as roads, rail, cycle paths, healthcare, education and utilities if it is to grow	256, 388, 424, 447, 546, 623, 649, 663, 676, 691, 719, 775, 765, 766, 787, 816, 847, 852, 853, 924, 990, 1019, 1023, 1027, 1088, 1363, 1405, 1418, 1489, 1523, 1526, 1542, 1546, 1638, 1722, 1697, 1750, 1790, 1823, 1834, 1876, 2025, 2053, 2712, 2126, 2147, 2261, 2268, 2288, 2801, 2962, 3013, 3022, 3036, 3094, 3112, 3144, 3180, 3232, 3514, 3695, 3997, 4012, 4028, 4567, 4748, 4838, 4946, 5099, 5995, 6170, 6589, 7213	<p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p>	<p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and</p>

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		<p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	<p>relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>
<p>Education provision in the PADCs is over estimated</p>	<p>4620</p>	<p>Noted. Basildon Council has thus far worked in partnership with the Education Authority on a high level growth scenario to determine the 'worst-case' future need for education up to 2031. Basildon Council appreciates that this is unlikely to be indicative of the final educational requirements associated with the housing provision contained in the Revised Preferred Option and will continue to work with Essex County Council, as the education authority, to provide an accurate educational requirement associated with each of the PADCs.</p>	<p>The Council will work with Essex County Council, as the education authority, to determine accurate education requirements associated with each strategic location for development to be allocated in the Local Plan, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p>
<p>The plans are ambitious and may not be deliverable due to costs to upgrade infrastructure and time.</p>	<p>2230, 2330, 3219, 5953</p>	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council must continue to engage with infrastructure providers to</p>

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		<p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 new homes per year to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Options Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and the East of England economic Forecast Model that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area. The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised provision.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific</p>	<p>identify what infrastructure is required to support the Borough's proposed growth, when it is needed by and how much it is forecast to cost.</p> <p>The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need, in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>

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		<p>upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
New developments should be located within easy walking distances of public transport to reduce congestion on roads	787, 990, 994, 2147	Noted.	N/A
No building on Green Belt (contrary to the NPPF)	323, 360, 597, 1038, 1301, 1377, 1418, 1449, 1467, 1606, 1739, 1779, 1876, 1905, 2053, 2065, 2118, 2126, 2230, 2268, 2830, 3053, 3112, 3027, 3071, 3154, 3820, 4094, 4441, 4466, 4630, 4748, 4984, 4785, 4995, 4996, 5173, 6558	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the	N/A

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		<p>objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth. In accordance with national planning policy it must consider whether its Green Belt boundaries need to be adjusted through the review of the Local Plan in order to allocate enough land to meet those needs.</p> <p>The Council has carried out a detailed assessment of the Green Belt and its ability to accommodate development. This study has been used alongside the communal results of many other evidence based documents to determine the most appropriate locations for development throughout the plan period.</p>	
No building on open spaces	597, 840, 1063, 1254, 1578, 1606, 1750, 2147, 3464, 3723, 4598, 4984	<p>Noted. The Council is trying through the Local Plan to avoid building on green spaces too much in the future. It accepts that green spaces are vital components of where people live and work and support wildlife, drainage management and recreation, as well as promote better health and well-being.</p> <p>This is one of the reasons why the Council believes that reviewing the Green Belt beyond the edges of the urban areas is a necessary consideration to accommodate development needs. Whilst this route will result in a loss of countryside, the development can be planned to incorporate new green spaces to become the parks and recreational areas of the future, supporting the Borough's</p>	N/A

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		growing population.	
Wildlife needs to be protected	1578, 2261, 5042	Noted.	The Council should consider how Policy CP10 can be strengthened to adequately mitigate impacts to wildlife.
More development will increase flooding / concerns relating to flooding	3340, 4072, 5995, 6568	The Council have had regard to the Basildon Borough Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA, 2011) and the Local Plan Flood Risk Sequential Test Report (Dec 2013) in determining its preferred option and the yields of potential development sites located in flood risk areas, and will continue to do so in any future revisions and throughout the Local Development Plan process. The SFRA, alongside the National Planning Policy Framework highlight the importance of regard to flooding in an area. Direct mention of flood risk has been identified in Core Policy 16.	The Council will work in partnership with the Water Authority, Environment Agency, Essex County Council (Lead Local Flood Authority and SuDS Approval Body) and other relevant flood risk management authorities to ensure that flood risk within the Borough is effectively managed.
Basildon should have more growth	141, 431, 605, 983, 1349, 1847, 1849, 1865, 2198, 2207, 2939, 3317, 3586, 3609, 4201, 4687, 5306, 5383	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Option 2A is disproportionate	516, 1912, 3583, 3820, 6027	Core Policy 1 – Settlement Housing Distribution, states that the Council will distribute a proportionate amount of growth (Option 2A) to the main towns in line with the Settlement Hierarchy. This means that a similar proportion of housing will be distributed to each settlement depending on the size of the original settlement area. For example,	Consider wording changes to Core Policy 1 to provide more clarity as to the ideology behind the spatial distribution of development within the Local Plan Core Strategy.

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		<p>2011 Census data relating to the total number of households contained in the different wards for each of the three largest settlements show approximately 12,541 households in Billericay, 12,825 in Wickford and 44,776 in Basildon. Therefore, the proposed allocation in Spatial Option 2A of 2,500 in Billericay, 2,800 in Wickford and 10,125 in Basildon represents an increase of between 20–23% for each of these settlements.</p>	
Basildon Town Centre needs to be redeveloped	323, 1314, 1869, 2147	<p>Noted. PADCC1 has identified Basildon Town Centre as the Spatial strategy's focus for mixed-use town centre regeneration. As supported by the National Planning Policy Framework, its regeneration will be co-ordinated and managed by a periodically reviewed Masterplan that aims to improve public and private investment by creating an environment where people want to live, work, shop and relax.</p>	Review the Town Centre Masterplan as and when required in accordance with the NPPF.
The housing number shouldn't be in excess of the requirement for new workers or residents	1869	<p>Noted. Recently released Planning Practice Guidance on the 'Assessment of Housing and Economic Development Needs' supports local planning authorities in objectively assessing and evidencing development needs for housing (both market and affordable); and economic development (which includes main town centre uses).</p> <p>To understand the 'objectively assessed need' for housing we must understand what is required to address demographic change over the plan period. The Planning Advisory Service (PAS) has prepared nine fundamental principles that should guide the</p>	N/A

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		<p>approach to understand and calculate housing need, including the use of up to date demographic evidence to understand how the population has changed in the past and what components of change (births, deaths, migration) are that have contributed to this. Also to Benchmark different scenarios against the economic growth ambitions and population that will be required to deliver the total number of jobs.</p> <p>The Greater Essex Demographic Forecasts supplied by Edge Analytics uses a comparison of 2010 and 2011 population projection estimates from the Census and assumes continuing trends in fertility, mortality and migration. It also takes into consideration Basildon's economic position within South Essex to formulate its recommendation of providing 800 dwellings per year to meet the objectively assessed needs for housing in the Borough. Therefore, the need to build housing is determined by the projected population increase, and the Employment Land & Premises Study, (which has been used to identify the requirement for employment land and jobs over the same plan period), has used a demand led approach in line with the NPPF to determine the employment requirements created by the increased number of households.</p> <p>The Council has used the appropriate evidence to distribute the development in sites that are</p>	

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		deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.	
Laindon Town centre should be replaced by housing as it will no longer be successful as a retail centre	1136, 1453, 1739	Noted. The Council are working with the new landowners to ensure the regeneration of Laindon Town Centre comes forward. The Council are carrying out a Retail and Commercial Leisure Study, which will provide an update on the character and status of the Laindon Town Centre.	Continue to work with landowners of the Laindon Centre. Prepare Retail and Commercial Leisure Study.
Laindon needs to be redeveloped	323, 570, 691, 1171, 2924	Noted. The Council are currently working closely with the landowners to bring forward the development. An extension to the Laindon Town Centre could be considered as part of these proposals.	Consider an extension to the Laindon Town Centre in the next version of the Local Plan.
Why has Pitsea town centre not been included?	4181	Pitsea town centre has not been identified as a specific Policy Area for Development & Change (PADC) as the majority of the regeneration works have now taken place and the remaining development would not be so significant as to require a strategic policy area to be defined within the Core Strategy. The Council will assess planning applications submitted in this area in line with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.	N/A
Disagree with PADC10	637	Noted.	N/A
Lack of investment in	338	Noted. Taking a blanket principled approach that all	The Council will work with

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Wickford compared to other settlements		<p>areas should receive the same level of investment is not sustainable and against national planning policy.</p> <p>Investment in infrastructure should occur to mitigate development impact.</p> <p>A regeneration strategy for Wickford town centre was approved by Councillors at a cabinet meeting in March 2013. The cabinet report sets out a proposed regeneration strategy based upon a series of achievable short and medium term outcomes which will deliver visible progress and benefit local residents and business. These include a new High Street market, High Street improvements, Local health infrastructure, swimming pool refurbishment and extension, disposal of site at Radwinter Avenue for housing and encouraging a new supermarket along with car park improvements and improved links to the High Street.</p>	<p>relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p>
Vacant retail units should be used for residential purposes	691, 1876	<p>Additional changes to the Permitted Development Rights, which came into force on 6th April 2014 allows change of use and some associated physical works from a small shop or provider of professional/financial services (A1 and A2 uses) to residential use (C3). This involves a 'prior approval' process and the local planning authority can consider impacts of the proposed change. Up to 150 square metres of retail space will be able to change to residential use.</p> <p>This will form part of the Council's regulatory</p>	<p>The Council will carry out an update to its Retail Capacity Study, which will provide an assessment of existing retail facilities in the Borough, the future needs for additional retail facilities and the capacity for Basildon's centres to meet demand through identification of sites.</p>

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		Development Management function and is not within the remit of the Local Plan to allocate land for strategic level development.	
Locations to the north and south of Basildon should be considered, not just to the east and west.	439, 2314, 3669, 4072, 4181, 5306, 5383, 5469, 5953, 6568	<p>Noted. In line with the National Planning Policy Framework, the Council must demonstrate that the objectively assessed need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
The proposals will merge Basildon, Billericay and Wickford together	706, 3060, 3503, 4984	In line with the National Planning Policy Framework, the Council must demonstrate that the objectively assessed need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt,	N/A

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		<p>historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
<p>The Council should build another new town</p>	<p>766</p>	<p>Noted. The Council considered the options for a new settlement in the Borough as part of the development of its Spatial Options Topic Paper.</p> <p>This appraisal found there is not the land in the Borough to accommodate all of the development requirements.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>There are not enough training opportunities to allow young people to fill jobs</p>	<p>907</p>	<p>Agreed. The Basildon Borough Community Strategy 2012-2036 identifies a need to improve employment prospects, education and skills of local people. In spite of efforts by the Council, its partners and education providers to offer new training opportunities for young people and adult learners, the recent decline of manufacturing employment has meant more local people are now reliant on lower skilled, lower income jobs as well as more part-time employment.</p> <p>The Borough has limited opportunities for post GCSE education compared to neighbouring authority areas and a general lack of courses that offer people the chance to meet their academic or vocational potential. This is in part believed to be</p>	<p>The Council will work with its partners to strengthen connections between local job opportunities and apprenticeship and training schemes with local schools and colleges, reducing the number of young people in the Borough that are not in education, employment or training and the unemployed.</p> <p>The Council will also maximise through Planning Obligations the opportunity</p>

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		discouraging some from continuing with education post-16 and limits the ability of adults to re-train to meet the skill needs of local employers. The Borough will therefore need to facilitate the ability for people to diversify their skills and gain training if it is to strengthen the reputation of the area as a hub for business and ensure local people are able to make the most of job opportunities that arise in the area.	of apprenticeships to contribute to the Borough's key regeneration and development schemes.
The Council failed to engage with its residents	1011, 1210	<p>Noted. The consultation was publicised for a total of 10 weeks in the local press, on buses, in train stations, in town centre based ad vans/bill boards, on the Council website and on local radio.</p> <p>In addition, a number of road shows were carried out in Billericay, Wickford, Basildon, Laindon, Pitsea, with meetings held at different community groups and parish councils as requested so that the general public could ask questions relating to any aspect contained within the Local Plan Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options.</p>	Continue to consult on future documents relating to the Local Plan to at least statutory timescales.
Spatial Option 2C is better (more growth in Basildon)	903, 1063, 1241, 1551, 1581, 1752	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
No real consideration or mention of Options 2B or 2C	4962	Chapter 4 of the Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options Report presents all three spatial options, which are also depicted for comparison by pie charts on page 2 of the leaflet that accompanied the Council's consultation.	Review appropriateness of all Spatial Options in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.

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		<p>The Spatial Options Topic Paper (Dec 2013) provides specific detail on how the Spatial Options were identified. Using the evidence base, a number of strategic housing scenarios were considered prior to settling on the three spatial options that form part of the Revised Preferred Options Report 2013. The three shortlisted spatial options are covered in detail as part of this paper with Chapter 7 devoted to Spatial Option 2A, Chapter 8 to 2B, and Chapter 9 to 2C. The appendices also include key diagrams, which show broad locations for strategic development sites.</p> <p>In determining the Council's Preferred Option, all three spatial options were subjected to a high level SWOT analysis, Sustainability Appraisal and tested for their impact on the Highway network. Details of these considerations can be found in the Council's Sustainability Appraisal (2013), Highway Impact Assessment (Jan 2014), and the appendices of the Spatial Options Topic Paper (Dec 2013).</p>	
The proposed housing number is unnecessarily high and ambitious	1849	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth. The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks</p>

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		<p>NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and economic East of England Forecast Model, that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area. The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised provision. The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment. The Council will continue to work with Essex County</p>	<p>etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision. The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
The South East is already full	1205, 1755, 2065, 2261	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development.</p> <p>The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to</p>	N/A

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		<p>support development.</p> <p>The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>Further, the Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011, the Council would have to ask neighbouring authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	
Smaller scale development would be preferential	3352, 3371	Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The	N/A

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		<p>Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. Whilst the Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options does include a number of small scale development sites that would contribute to the overall need through minor amendments to the Green Belt boundary; strategic sites must also be identified if the Council is to have any chance of meeting the Borough's full objectively assessed needs.</p>	
<p>Support reference to financial contribution to local sporting facilities (re-wording to enable contributions to strategic sporting projects). Contribution to sport facilities should be included in all PADCs.</p>	<p>952, 953</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.</p>
<p>Neighbouring authorities have not been approached regarding the proposals for PADC4 and PADC5</p>	<p>5193, 6640</p>	<p>Development and regeneration is happening all over the Country and is a national requirement for all areas to provide for growth. The Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a</p>	<p>Work with neighbouring authorities under the Duty to Cooperate to identify any cross-boundary issues associated with development, to ensure that proposed Local Development Plans meet the objectively assessed</p>

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		<p>legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs.</p> <p>The Council work jointly with neighbouring areas on a number of different areas, including joint evidence bases. One of the joint evidence bases is the Strategic Housing Market Assessment, which has been used in the preparation of the Local Plan. However, the Council will continue to work with neighbouring authorities and other partners on Duty to Co-operate issues.</p>	<p>needs of Borough's in Essex, and the unmet needs of other local authority areas where reasonable to do so; and to ensure that the character and identity of settlements are retained.</p> <p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
No comment/unspecified	59, 186, 468, 1949, 2028, 2035, 2040, 2348, 2370, 2764, 2975, 3099, 3191, 3243, 3302, 3872, 4292, 4546, 5181, 5427, 5649, 5714, 5826, 5863,6005, 6039, 6050, 6159, 6294	Noted.	N/A
Not enough detail / time to comment	309, 889, 1155, 1214, 1499, 1561, 1610, 1617, 1710, 1597, 2185, 2268, 3583, 4421, 4997, 4998, 4999	<p>Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p> <p>The Council's consultation on the Core Strategy ran for 8 weeks from 21st January to 18th March, which is two weeks longer than the Council is statutorily</p>	<p>Consider whether to prepare a single Local Plan.</p> <p>Carry out any future consultations to at least statutory required timescales.</p>

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		required to do so in order to give people time to respond. This time period was then extended by a further two weeks up to the 1 st April in response to the public request for more time to make comments.	

Question 2 – The Council will distribute the housing and economic requirements proportionately to each settlement. Do you agree? Please give reasons why.

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<p>SPATIAL OPTION 2A: Agree as is equal and addresses the social mix. It is also the most economical. Infrastructure is required to support this option.</p>	<p>34, 49, 81, 171, 177, 294, 446, 519, 529, 635, 815, 923, 940, 966, 1080, 1115, 1190, 1285, 1391, 1410, 1431, 1439, 1577, 1584, 1664, 1683, 1737, 1797, 2125, 2224, 2269, 2309, 2276, 2701, 2776, 2795, 2829, 2841, 2889, 2899, 2913, 3098, 3337, 3394, 3551, 3774, 3763, 3831, 3807, 3941, 3964, 3981, 4027, 4073, 4188, 4291, 4301, 4302, 4303, 4304, 4305, 4306, 4307, 4372, 5026, 5415, 5447, 5551, 5682, 5710, 5825, 5862, 5897, 5914, 5952, 6004, 6015, 6026, 6083, 6139, 6158, 6293, 6304, 6506, 6634, 6643, 6901, 6949, 7440, 7505, 7509, 7548, 7808, 7986, 8579, 8675, 8855, 8859, 8939, 9407, 9577, 9708, 9712</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p>
<p>SPATIAL OPTION 2B: Disagree. Basildon is overcrowded and the infrastructure cannot cope. Open spaces have been lost to development in Basildon. Billericay and Wickford should take more growth</p>	<p>2. 67, 423, 514, 569, 839, 915, 1170, 1351, 1374, 1652, 1696, 1947, 4014, 4089, 4170, 4983, 8969</p>	<p>Noted. The Council is trying through the Local Plan to avoid building on green spaces too much in the future. It accepts that green spaces are vital components of where people live and work and support wildlife, drainage management and recreation, as well as promote better health and well-being.</p> <p>This is one of the reasons why the Council believes that reviewing the Green Belt beyond the edges of the urban areas is a necessary consideration to accommodate development needs. Whilst this route will result in a loss of countryside, the development can be planned to incorporate new green spaces to become the parks and</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2B in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>

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		recreational areas of the future, supporting the Borough's growing population.	
SPATIAL OPTION 2C: Disagree. Basildon should take more of the growth as it has more infrastructure, better transport links, less sensitive Green Belt and was built to accommodate growth over Wickford and Billericay	89, 99, 110, 112, 130, 140, 149, 202, 219, 248, 288, 303, 438, 474, 604, 701, 704, 791, 798, 808, 874, 982, 996, 1014, 1015, 1030, 1037, 1053, 1062, 1108, 1131, 1135, 1182, 1229, 1259, 1284, 1300, 1348, 1355, 1400, 1401, 1415, 1448, 1466, 1550, 1582, 1587, 1709, 1763, 1803, 1814, 1846, 1864, 2004, 2064, 2102, 2194, 2205, 2362, 2785, 2800, 2819, 2950, 3153, 3201, 3212, 3218, 3264, 3275, 3286, 3315, 3434, 3519, 3607, 4009, 4013, 4039, 4565, 4629, 4638, 5466, 6588, 6620, 6557, 7714, 7736	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
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Disagree as overpopulated, settlements have different characteristics, too much Green Belt will be lost and infrastructure issues	16, 58, 120, 211, 257, 261, 320, 339, 395, 402, 453, 467, 477, 485, 495, 500, 515, 556, 596, 618, 622, 648, 677, 690, 709, 745, 759, 774, 849, 850, 869, 870, 902, 957, 977, 996, 1018, 1024, 1026, 1073, 1209, 1213, 1225, 1240, 1247, 1248, 1269, 1323, 1333, 1341, 1362, 1383, 1447, 1466, 1476, 1483, 1498, 1508, 1522, 1525, 1594, 1609, 1637, 1678, 1690, 1754, 1774, 1776, 1789, 1822, 1840, 1880, 1911, 1927, 2020, 2026, 2039, 2052, 2080, 2097, 2116, 2135, 2141, 2146, 2215, 2266, 2711, 2722, 2284, 2369, 2733, 2752, 2878, 2811, 2849, 2856, 2867, 2903, 2923, 2931, 2938, 2974, 2985, 3012, 3026, 3035, 3052,	Noted. The Council is required by the national planning policy to meet the Borough's Objectively Assessed Needs for development. In accordance with national planning policy it must consider whether its Green Belt boundaries need to be adjusted through the review of the Local Plan in order to allocate enough land to meet those needs. The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify	The Council must continue to engage with infrastructure providers to identify what infrastructure is required to support the Borough's proposed growth, when it is needed by and how much it is forecast to cost.

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	<p>3059, 3070, 3093, 3111, 3122, 3143, 3179, 3301, 3322, 3325, 3330, 3334, 3345, 3348, 3351, 3363, 3367, 3370, 3380, 3390, 3397, 3412, 3413, 3419, 3422, 3426, 3430, 3345, 3452, 3461, 3478, 3481, 3486, 3496, 3491, 3499, 3501, 3515, 3531, 3532, 3539, 3543, 3547, 3555, 3559, 3563, 3571, 3573, 3579, 3585, 3596, 3604, 3618, 3623, 3628, 3631, 3636, 3641, 3645, 3652, 3657, 3666, 3676, 3671, 3680, 3684, 3691, 3694, 3700, 3706, 3708, 3720, 3722, 3733, 3742, 3748, 3752, 3758, 3769, 3783, 3784, 3794, 3801, 3811, 3814, 3843, 3847, 3851, 3855, 3858, 3887, 3862, 3866, 3883, 3892, 3896, 3900, 3909, 3914, 3918, 3921, 3923, 3928, 3932, 3938, 3947, 3953, 3961, 3971, 3987, 3978, 4004, 4019, 4023, 4035, 4051, 4054, 4060, 4067, 4087, 4096, 4107, 4113, 4121, 4128, 4131, 4137, 4141, 4145, 4150, 4156, 4166, 4174, 4175, 4180, 4184, 4191, 4194, 4202, 4216, 4221, 4225, 4230, 4232, 4236, 4239, 4247, 4251, 4253, 4266, 4268, 4272, 4276, 4279, 4282, 4285, 4288, 4298, 4327, 4331, 4344, 4357, 4362, 4369, 4384, 4388, 4393, 4405, 4410, 4415, 4418, 4440, 4457, 4465, 4471, 4474, 4479, 4483, 4487, 4491, 4498, 4504, 4513, 4519, 4536, 4541, 4525, 4532, 4544, 4555, 4580, 4670, 4724, 4593, 4596, 4605, 4610, 4615, 4622, 4626, 4648, 4654, 4658,</p>	<p>what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p>	

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Proportionally against what? Should clarify what	781, 1007, 1721, 1749, 1868, 1903, 1993, 2012, 2015, 2130, 2320, 2362, 2369, 2961, 3082,	Noted.	Clarify the principles of Spatial Option 2A in future versions of

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development is proportionate against. This wording cannot be judged and therefore should not be included in the Policy.	3231, 3242, 3253, 3434, 4199, 4476, 4784, 4888, 5466, 6026, 6038, 6200, 6304	<p>The proportionate option was based on a principle of expanding the three main settlements of the Borough (Basildon – including Laindon and Pitsea, Billericay and Wickford) to sizes which were based on a proportionate increase in the estimated population size of the settlements.</p> <p>This is set out in more detail in the Spatial Options Topic Paper 2013.</p>	the Local Plan Core Strategy.
Option 2a is disproportionate	3582	<p>Core Policy 1 – Settlement Housing Distribution, states that the Council will distribute a proportionate amount of growth (Option 2A) to the main towns in line with the Settlement Hierarchy. This means that a similar proportion of housing will be distributed to each settlement depending on the size of the original settlement area. For example, 2011 Census data relating to the total number of households contained in the different wards for each of the three largest settlements show approximately 12,541 households in Billericay, 12,825 in Wickford and 44,776 in Basildon. Therefore, the proposed allocation in Spatial Option 2A of 2,500 in Billericay, 2,800 in Wickford and 10,125 in Basildon represents an increase of between 20–23% for each of these settlements.</p>	Consider wording changes to Core Policy 1 to provide more clarity as to the ideology behind the spatial distribution of development within the Local Plan Core Strategy.
Should use derelict and unused brownfield sites first. This may not spread development proportionally but would	8, 74, 228, 237, 618, 662, 1157, 1404, 1488, 1558, 1729, 1965, 2023, 2369, 2994, 3005, 3462, 3647, 3870, 4747	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The Council agrees with this opinion, which is why the 6,900 homes estimated to come from the urban area will maximise brownfield sites considered to be</p>	Consider whether a specific policy should include more detailed guidance on brownfield sites and their expected contribution to

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save the countryside		<p>suitable, available and achievable for development. Brownfield sites constitute approximately 37% of this total urban capacity.</p> <p>There are however not enough brownfield sites in Billericay, Wickford and Basildon (including Laindon and Pitsea) to meet the Borough's residential and employment development requirements and therefore, in accordance with the NPPF the Council must review its other land opportunities in the Borough, including Green Belt to help meet the shortfall.</p>	development delivery in the Borough.
Disagree. Development should be around Basildon and Billericay, Wickford should be protected as it does not have the service and infrastructure to cope	264, 396, 545, 633, 812, 1154, 6106	The purpose of the Local Plan Core Strategy is to consider the areas afresh and not assume that no investment will be required in key services or infrastructure. Part of the Local Plan's function is, through policy and supporting mechanisms such as CIL, to enable the upgrading of local infrastructure to acceptable standards to cope with development pressure. It is not appropriate for the Council to base its decisions on the state of an area's current infrastructure and assume there would be no investment possible through development.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Bowers Gifford will grow over a reasonable amount	276	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Disagree. Development	335, 434, 4157	The purpose of the Local Plan Core Strategy is to	Review appropriateness of

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should be around Wickford, over Billericay as Wickford needs regeneration and Billericay does not have the infrastructure and a thriving town centre		consider the areas afresh and not assume that no investment will be required in key services or infrastructure. Part of the Local Plan's function is, through policy and supporting mechanisms such as CIL, to enable the upgrading of local infrastructure to acceptable standards to cope with development pressure. It is not appropriate for the Council to base its decisions on the state of an area's current infrastructure and assume there would be no investment possible through development.	Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Disagree. More development should go to Billericay and Little Burstead, which have taken limited growth in the past.	1312	<p>Noted. The Council's evidence base shows that there are more environmental and heritage constraints around Billericay and Little Burstead, some of which are protected by law, such as Sites of Special Scientific Interest, Scheduled Monuments and Conservation Areas which – limit the areas' growth potential.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
More development could go on the Runwell Hospital site	2052	Noted. The Runwell Hospital site is located within the boundary of Chelmsford City Council. Therefore, if any further development were to take place in this area, it would not contribute to the objectively assessed needs of the Basildon Borough. As such, additional development sites would still need to be found within the Basildon Borough as Runwell Hospital cannot be considered as an alternative. The only alternative would be a comprehensive development around Runwell	Continue to work with Chelmsford City Council on cross boundary issues under the Duty to Cooperate.

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		Hospital that covered an area on either side of the Borough boundary so that other proposed development sites within the Basildon Borough could be relocated to this area. Basildon Borough Council has insufficient evidence to suggest that this would be a deliverable option within the plan period.	
Disagree. Build in big cities and town centres where it is suitable	1073, 1560, 1596, 1616, 1726, 2183	<p>Noted. The remit of the Local Plan Core Strategy concerns the Basildon Borough only and the Council is required by the NPPF to meet its Objectively Assessed Need within its boundary.</p> <p>The Local Plan already assumes that at least 2,100 new homes will be built in the Borough's town centres, predominantly Basildon Town Centre through a coordinated 20 year masterplan regeneration programme.</p>	Continue to realise opportunities to maximise the development potential of the Borough's town centres.
Future need in the Borough is difficult to forecast	357	Noted.	N/A
<p>Evidence does not mention engagement with UK Power Networks in respects of their substations at Nevendon and Lower Dunton Road.</p> <p>It also does not mention anything about Combined Heat and Power (CHP) opportunities. Because of</p>	575	<p>Noted. The Council did engage with UK Power Networks in the production of the Local Plan, in particular, during the preparation of the Infrastructure Baseline Study 2013; however it is acknowledged that Table 1 and the subsequent summary does reference this activity.</p> <p>The Baseline Study is a working document until the Local Plan Core Strategy is ready for Submission to the Secretary of State and it can be updated as and when required.</p>	Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study to include the engagement with, and responses from UK Power Networks on Borough's growth proposals and impact on its network.

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physical constraints posed by the A127, consideration of the heat network should omit serving prospective heat users north of A127.		The design and routing of a potential CHP scheme and its supporting pipeline network to serve any potential development location or existing communities is too detailed to be considered in the Local Plan Core Strategy and would instead be a matter addressed by the Site Allocations in either the Basildon Local Plan/ Essex Waste Plan – depending on its classification, or considered as part of a future planning application.	
Land identified for development should be suitable not just adjacent to urban area. It should have the right infrastructure.	690, 887, 1729, 1762, 1893, 2329	Noted. The Council has identified sites which are suitable, available and achievable for development in line with the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment. It has not chosen locations solely because they are adjacent to the urban areas and has proposed that infrastructure improvements are made locally where required to mitigate the impact development could otherwise have.	Provide more detail in the Local Plan on the infrastructure upgrades required for each development location.
Disagree. Land at Barleylands should be used	709	<p>The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>The Spatial Options Topic Paper explains that the evidence base clearly demonstrates the Borough cannot accommodate a new settlement due to its size and</p>	N/A

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		<p>existing settlement locations.</p> <p>The Council did evaluate land in the vicinity of Barleylands for its development potential, however evidence has shown that its position in the Upper Crouch Valley and its separation from other settlements and services would mean it is constrained by floodplain and less sustainable to develop compared to alternative locations in the Borough to meet development needs.</p>	
<p>Disagree. Development should be south of the A13 near Pitsea and expand Bowers Gifford</p>	<p>808</p>	<p>Land to the south of the A13 (around 10% of the Borough's total land area) is largely constrained by national wildlife sites, tidal floodplain, grazing marsh, RSPB nature reserves, a country park and waste disposal operations. This location is therefore not suitable for meeting development needs, which is why the Local Plan proposes to enhance the area's recreational potential through expanded nature reserves and enhanced public access instead as PAD7.</p> <p>It has already been proposed in the Local Plan that the village of Bowers Gifford takes a share of 200 homes split between Crays Hill, Ramsden Bellhouse and itself. In addition, a broad area north of Bowers Gifford and North Benfleet has been proposed to accommodate at least 2,000 homes through PAD6.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Properties will still be unaffordable. There should be more affordable homes.</p>	<p>44, 718, 3585,</p>	<p>National planning policy requires Local Plans to identify and meet in full the Objectively Assessed Needs for market and affordable housing.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>For planning purposes, “affordable housing” is defined by the Government’s Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) as: “Social rented, affordable rented and intermediate housing provided to eligible households whose needs are not met by the market.” The three types are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social housing - owned by the local authorities and private registered providers. Rents informed by the national rent regime. • Affordable rented housing - is let by local authorities or private registered providers of social housing to households who are eligible for social rented housing, but it is subject to rent controls that require rent of no more than 80% of the local market rent. • Intermediate housing - is homes for sale and rent provided at a cost above social rent, but below market levels. This includes shared ownership, shared equity, <p>The term is not used to describe homes that are available for private sale (from a developer).</p> <p>The Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA 2013) has evaluated affordability issues across South Essex in light of the need for housing growth and in the context of the need for different affordable housing types</p>	

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		<p>(Shared Ownership, Intermediate Rent and Social Housing). It identifies that a target of at least 36% should be established in the Basildon Borough to provide more affordable homes from development schemes. This is an increase from the current Local Plan policy of 15-30% and has been set out in the proposed new Affordable Homes policy.</p> <p>In addition, the Council is proposing to introduce a new 'deferred contribution' clause into the planning policy which will see viability tested twice (at the time of application and once a development has been built), to ensure the Borough does not lose out of possible affordable housing contributions in the event that the market improves.</p>	
<p>Housing distribution at Crays and Ramsden Bellhouse should be increased and even separated out for each specific settlement not grouped for Crays Hill, Bowers Gifford and Ramsden Bellhouse.</p>	<p>1180, 1320</p>	<p>Noted. The Council must use its evidence base to determine an appropriate allocations for each village and accepts that the total housing allocation for each village should be defined, rather than grouped together to enable the better planning and delivery of development in these locations.</p>	<p>To improve clarity for local communities and certainty for plan delivery set out the housing targets for Crays Hill, Ramsden Bellhouse and Bowers Gifford.</p>
<p>Disagree. Should build a new settlement</p>	<p>412, 1877, 2061, 4080, 4101, 5792, 5808</p>	<p>The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>The Spatial Options Topic Paper explains that the evidence base clearly demonstrates the Borough cannot accommodate a new settlement due to its size and existing settlement locations.</p>	
More housing does not mean more jobs	4837	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The employment land has been determined from the Employment Land and Premises Study, which used the most up to date forecasts and tested a number of variables, such as different number of homes and changes in the economy, to identify an appropriate level of employment land to meet the needs of the Borough's.</p>	More housing does not mean more jobs
Disagrees with the housing and economic requirements	7156	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will work with</p>

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		<p>Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and economic East of England Forecast Model, that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area. The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised provision.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with</p>	<p>relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
<p>Council should consider the potential of identifying smaller scale sustainable sites in the Green Belt in view of urgent lack of housing land supply</p>	<p>2502</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>The Council should consider grouping its Core Policies, Site Allocations and Development Management policies into one Local Plan document that could provide enough detail on the sites and infrastructure requirements to ensure the</p>

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			Council can meet its 5 year housing land supply.
Smaller plots should be considered for housing as it will not impact on the infrastructure	3921	Noted. The Core Strategy already assumes that at least 415 units will come from minor amendments to the Green Belt boundary on sites providing 99 units or less, together with a further 375 units from the development of vacant plots in the Borough's Plotlands.	N/A
Overall level of development for Basildon is ambitious and the spatial strategy will be required to be robust enough to accommodate the development within the Borough, whilst being flexible if not all development areas come forward as proposed during the plan period.	24, 2269, 4618, 5192, 6004, 6293	<p>Noted. The Council must demonstrate that they have taken account of all consultation comments to be legally compliant. Once the Council has agreed what actions will be taken in light of the representations made, it can consider whether it needs to update its Local Development Scheme (LDS) to account for any timetable slippage, or Cabinet decisions on the Plan.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>	<p>The Council should consider grouping its Core Policies, Site Allocations and Development Management policies into one Local Plan document that could provide enough detail on the sites and infrastructure requirements to ensure the Council can meet its 5 year housing land supply.</p> <p>Review the Council's Local Development Scheme (LDS).</p>
Concern over whether there is sufficient land available.	3582	Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for	Review the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment on an annual basis and review the use of sites in the Residential Land Assessment.

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		<p>development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.</p> <p>The HELAA and the Residential Land Assessment is taken into used to inform the five year land supply, years 6-10 and years 15+ to ensure deliverable sites are put forward over the plan period.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Additional sites outside the suggested PADC areas are required to support growth</p>	<p>2913, 3098</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of alternative PADCs in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Basildon Gateway is considered to be an alternative area that could be used to support growth.</p>	<p>5426</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of alternative PADCs in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Land to the east of Billericay is considered to be additional area that could be used to support growth on a comparable basis to PADC13 and PADC14.</p>	<p>5710</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of alternative PADCs in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Land to the east of Noak</p>	<p>5952</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of</p>

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Bridge is considered to be an additional area that could be developed to support the need for sustainable growth in Basildon.			alternative PADCs in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Will new jobs be created in the area? Should be equal to the housing growth.	74, 1253, 3043, 4888	<p>Noted. Yes, it is anticipated that new jobs will be created in the area from the provision of new industrial land, town centre regeneration and supporting infrastructure (such as expanded/ new schools).</p> <p>The Borough's forecast jobs growth is not equal to housing growth as it is inappropriate to assume all jobs for people living in the Borough, would also be based in the Borough, given that people already commute to neighbouring areas and the City of London to different types of jobs.</p>	N/A
Basildon, Laindon and Pitsea are separate communities and should not be joined together.	359, 374,	It is recognised that Basildon, Laindon and Pitsea are separate communities within the Borough; however for planning purposes they are component parts of the same large settlement.	N/A
Basildon Borough has five railway stations, yet more investment is being spent in Basildon again. A significant proportion of new builds should be within walking distance of stations and investment	786	Noted. The Council has identified sites which are suitable, available and achievable for development in line with the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment. It has not chosen locations solely because they are next to stations and has proposed that various infrastructure improvements are made locally where required to mitigate the impact development could otherwise have.	Provide more detail in the Local Plan on the infrastructure upgrades required for each development location.

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made to bring all residential areas and facilities up to the same high standard.			
Disagree. The justification to distribute growth equally is not supported or clarified in the evidence and may have serious adverse effects on parts of the Borough where growth is required	5305, 6038	The alternative options of 2B and 2C are however not considered to be more sustainable approaches to accommodating the Borough's development requirements. The Council will however need to review this position in light of responses to the consultation.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Appears to be a mathematical error relating to the delivery of homes from PADCS and Core Policy 1	6038	<p>There is no error. An explanation is given below.</p> <p>Basildon: Basildon's PADCs total <u>7,175</u> homes, as set out below: PADC1 – 2,000 homes PADC2 – 150 homes PADC3 – some residential, but no specific figure in the Core Strategy PADC4 – 725 homes PADC5 – 2,300 homes PADC6 – 2,000 homes PADC7 – N/A, as environmental designation</p> <p>Basildon's urban area provision in Table 4.1 is: dwellings units completed – <u>1,675</u> SHLAA urban dwelling unit capacity – <u>1,100</u></p>	N/A

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		<p>Core Policy 1 (E) recognises that 415 dwellings should be provided from minor amendments to the Green Belt. <u>175</u> of these will be within Basildon.</p> <p>7,175 + 1,675 + 1,100 + 175 = <u>10,125</u></p> <p>Wickford: Wickford PADCs total <u>1,800</u> homes as set out below: PADC8 – 50 homes PADC9 – 150 homes PADC10 – 760 homes PADC11 – 220 homes PADC12 – 620 homes</p> <p>Wickford’s urban area provision in Table 4.1 is: dwellings units completed – <u>800</u> SHLAA urban dwelling unit capacity – <u>200</u></p> <p>1,800 + 800 + 200 = <u>2,800</u></p> <p>Billericay: Billericay PADCs total <u>2,010</u> homes as set out below: PADC13 – 180 homes PADC14 – 430 homes PADC15 – 1,400 homes</p> <p>Billericay’s urban area provision in Table 4.1 is: dwellings units completed – <u>200</u> Footnote 35 explains that <u>50</u> dwellings have been</p>	

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		<p>provided but there are in the Green Belt.</p> <p>Core Policy 1 (E) recognises that 415 dwellings should be provided from minor amendments to the Green Belt. <u>240</u> of these will be within Billericay.</p> <p>2,010 + 200 + 50 + 240 = <u>2,500</u></p> <p>Core Policy 1 sets out that serviced settlements of Crays Hill, Ramsden Bellhouse and Bowers Gifford will provide 200 homes and unserviced settlements will provide 375 homes.</p>	
<p>Why should Little Burstead and Noak Bridge areas be ring fenced from development?</p>	<p>24, 6498</p>	<p>Noted. These areas are not ring-fenced from development. The Revised Preferred Options Report only set out PADCs for developments of 100 units of more as major sites. Small sites (99 units or less) could however still be released from the Green Belt in these areas as minor amendments to the Green Belt boundary, in accordance with Policy GB11.</p> <p>The completion of Transport Modelling and new/ updated evidence may also mean these areas need to be reconsidered to determine whether Spatial Option 2A and the locations chosen for development as part of it, remain appropriate.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of PADCS in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p> <p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A, 2B and 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p>
<p>More should be mentioned about the serviced settlements, phasing of the developments in these</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The Local Plan will use an in-built mechanism to 'plan, monitor and manage' the delivery of its policies and</p>	<p>The Council will work with Landowners, Developers and the Development industry to ensure that sites allocated for</p>

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areas should be set out.		<p>proposals through the Authority's Monitoring Report as required by the Localism Act 2011, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and the NPPF. This will report on the individual targets and indicators of the Core Strategy Monitoring Framework (presented as a supporting document for the Revised Preferred Options consultation) throughout the plan period, comparing progress against the Core Strategy's Draft Phasing Programme, as set out in Appendix E of the Revised Preferred Options Report 2013.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single, more detailed Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>	<p>development in later versions of the Local Plan are deliverable. The Council will also review the 'Draft Phasing Strategy' to ensure that development is suitably phased so that necessary improvements to infrastructure can be brought forward in a timely manner to support development.</p> <p>Consider whether to prepare a single Local Plan.</p>
Need to take account the facilities offered in serviced and unserviced villages and plotlands.	821	The Settlement Hierarchy (2012) has taken into account the facilities in the smaller settlements. It is through this analysis that settlements in the Borough were split into "Serviced" and "Unserviced".	N/A

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Billericay's historical assets will be destroyed / need to be considered	759,	<p>Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) states Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should have a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. The Council recognises that the Borough has a limited</p> <p>Number of heritage assets, which need to be protected and sensitively managed for the future. There are 129 Listed Buildings, the greatest concentrations of which are in Billericay High Street. There are four Conservation Areas, all of which the Council had appraised in 2010/2011 and all now have Management Plans for the first time. There are also 3 Scheduled Monuments and over 500 archaeological records.</p> <p>Taking this context into account, the Council has considered the historical assets of Billericay and the wider Borough when preparing the Core Strategy, much of which was brought together through a Historic Environment Characterisation Assessment -undertaken in 2010, which ensures the heritage of the Borough can be interpreted on a spatial scale and inform the Borough's development.</p>	N/A
Works should bear residents in mind and should benefit the existing community	1145	The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to	The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local

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		<p>meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>In the production of the Council's Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options, careful consideration of different communities has been made including such things as housing density, housing mix, design and the built environment, flood risk, conservation and the natural environment, open spaces, and supporting infrastructure such as schools, hospitals etc. to ensure that any new development is not only in keeping with the existing settlement but also provides a benefit to new and existing communities.</p>	<p>Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need.</p>
<p>Cannot formulate a response as do not know where the sites are and not enough detail provided.</p>	<p>1554, 1845</p>	<p>Noted. The Core Strategy only sets out broad locations for development, not specific sites, which will be allocated in a separate Site Allocations Local Plan.</p>	<p>The Council should consider the merits of providing more site specific detail in the next draft of the Local Plan to make it easier for people to</p>

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			comment on development proposals.
Issues with the consultation, including its publicity and that comments will not be listened to.	308, 858	<p>The consultation Statement document sets out how the consultation was advertised. The consultation was publicised for 10 weeks in local press, on buses, train stations, in town centre based adverts/bill boards, on the Council website and on local radio.</p> <p>The Local Plan process is assessed by the Secretary of State who appoints a Planning Inspector. The Planning Inspector will independently examine the Local Plan and all its supporting documentation.</p> <p>Further, many of the evidence bases have been prepared independently by consultants and experts in their specific fields. The Local Plan is also subject to public consultation, which must be taken into account through plan preparation.</p>	N/A
Cannot comment / unsure	9302,	Noted.	N/A
Unspecified	185, 308, 387, 2347, 2763, 3190, 3384, 3460, 3626, 3714, 3816, 3826, 3904, 4242, 4335, 4365, 4401, 4603, 4734, 4990, 5118, 5334, 5375, 5382, 5398, 5464, 5479, 5512, 5528, 5622, 5647, 5739, 5645, 5978, 6049, 6244, 6320, 6348, 6364, 6401, 6405, 6429, 6575, 6603, 6614, 6943, 6789, 6870, 7017, 7021, 7168, 7192, 7212, 7275, 7347, 7364, 7582, 7670, 7674, 7682, 7710, 7718, 7720, 7856, 8012, 8016, 8052, 8140, 8192, 8333, 8337,	Noted.	N/A

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Question 3 – Do you agree with the approach for Basildon to grow? Please give reasons why.

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Support the approach for Basildon to grow	25, 35, 50, 82, 100, 113, 131, 163, 172, 178, 220, 238, 261, 295, 361, 375, 405, 413, 517, 530, 672, 707, 816, 941, 958, 967, 1116, 1192, 1286, 1261, 1287, 1327, 1334, 1349, 1360, 1411, 1418, 1432, 1440, 1484, 1489, 1588, 1665, 1684, 1691, 1733, 1798, 1804, 1815, 1849, 1882, 1894, 1928, 1986, 2006, 2177, 2270, 2702, 2777, 2842, 2857, 2786, 2914, 2951, 2986, 3006, 3083, 3144, 3232, 3254, 3265, 3276, 3287, 3396, 3520, 3766, 3786, 3871, 3942, 3965, 3983, 4040, 4159, 4254, 4373, 4581, 4620, 4639, 4785, 4821, 4891, 5161, 5416, 5552, 6016, 6305, 6576, 6621, 6644, 7232, 7268	Noted.	N/A.
Accepts that Basildon needs to grow	581	Noted.	N/A.
Agree with PADC1 (Basildon Town Centre)	1377, 1465, 1665, 1750, 1815, 2001, 2357, 4010, 4016, 4181, 4620, 5928, 5953, 6064, 6090	Noted.	N/A.
Disagree with PADC1 (Basildon Town Centre) - bringing the new college and moving the market	516, 1171, 1722, 2995	Noted. The Core Strategy must reflect the fact that PADC4 has planning permission to provide 750 new homes and the following supporting infrastructure – a new local shopping parade, a new primary school, future expansion land for St Luke’s Hospice, new open spaces, new roads and upgrades to the A176 and Dry Street, in addition to a relocated college and market in PADC1: Basildon Town Centre.	N/A.
PADC1 delivery should be more specific	2357	Noted. The ‘Delivery’ section of the Policy Area for Development and Change (PADC1) contains	The Council should consider grouping its Core

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		<p>reference to the Basildon Town Centre Masterplan, which contains much more detail on the regeneration programme as set out for Basildon Town Centre.</p> <p>The Council must demonstrate that they have taken account of all consultation comments to be legally compliant. Once the Council has agreed what actions will be taken in light of the representations made, it can consider whether it needs to update its Local Development Scheme (LDS) to account for any timetable slippage, or Cabinet decisions on the Plan.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>	<p>Policies, Site Allocations and Development Management policies into one Local Plan document that could provide enough detail on the sites and infrastructure requirements to ensure the Council can meet its 5 year housing land supply. Review the Council's Local Development Scheme (LDS).</p> <p>Consider re-wording the Delivery element of PADC1 and review the phasing strategy of the Local Plan.</p>
Agree with PADC2 (Laindon Town Centre)	424, 1377, 1722, 3832, 5953	Noted.	N/A.
Agree with PADC3 (A127 Enterprise Corridor)	1722, 6635	Noted.	N/A.
PADC3 should be amended to include non-B Class employment uses	6170	Noted. The Employment Land & Premises Study (ELPS) identified that the enterprise corridor (PADC3) would require the retention of all B-class units (and additional B-class units) to maintain Basildon's status as an employment hub within the	The Council is updating its Retail & Leisure Study and will consider explicit accounting of non-B Class employment uses as the

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		<p>wider Thames Gateway and Essex area, and to support its local economy. The ELPS removed strategic areas of different use classes, for example Festival Leisure Park, from the enterprise corridor to improve flexibility of the wider area.</p> <p>The Council has carried a study into 'Leisure, Arts, Culture & Tourist accommodation in Basildon District and an update of Prospects for Retail Sector Capacity – July 2010' and has commissioned further work to update this Retail & Leisure study in order to identify existing other use class facilities in the Borough, the future needs for additional retail and other employment uses, facilities and the capacity for Basildon's centres to meet demand through identification of sites.</p> <p>The Council, will keep this under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event of any evidence or priorities change.</p>	<p>Local Plan progresses.</p> <p>Consider policy wording of PAD3.</p>
PADC3 should include wording on ecology similar to PAD3	6589	Noted.	Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.
Agree with PAD3 (Nethermayne Urban Extension)	6090	Noted.	N/A.
Disagree with PAD3 (Nethermayne Urban Extension)	150, 535, 623, 691, 1063, 1377, 1722, 1777, 1790, 2760, 3673, 3723, 3820, 4021, 4094, 4201, 5127, 6558, 6589, 6604, 8970	Noted.	N/A.
Agree with PAD5 (West)	5293, 6201	Noted.	N/A.

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Basildon Urban Extension)			
Disagree with PAD5 (West Basildon Urban Extension)	570, 623, 1082, 1088, 1722, 2268, 3583, 3679, 4995, 4996, 4997, 4998, 4999, 5193, 6170	Noted.	N/A.
PAD5 could create coalescence between West Horndon and Basildon	5193	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with neighbouring authorities under the Duty to Cooperate to ensure that the character and identity of settlements within the Basildon Borough are retained.</p>

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		<p>each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
<p>Lack of technical evidence and transport modelling for the proposed development</p>	<p>5193</p>	<p>Noted. The Basildon Borough Local Plan Highway Impact Assessment was commissioned to provide an assessment of the impact of Local Plan Spatial Options for development of 16,000 households and associated employment development on the highway network in the Basildon Borough up to the year 2031. It is appreciated that this assessment only goes into a certain amount of detail in terms of the potential impact of development on the road network and additional evidence will need to be gathered to work up required improvements that will need to accompany each proposed area for development.</p> <p>Basildon Borough Council in partnership with Essex County Council has commissioned Essex Highways to carry out mitigation modelling on the highway impact of potential development sites to determine whether or not the level of development proposed can be successfully accommodated.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under</p>	<p>Revisions will be made as appropriate to the Local Plan evidence base as work progresses to pre-submission stage.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>

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		<p>review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. This document is available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p>	
Can not see how PADC5 and / or PADC6 can be delivered when evidence suggests	2363, 5552	Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing	Review the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment on an annual

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there is not enough land capacity for proposed growth		<p>Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.</p> <p>The HELAA and the Residential Land Assessment is taken into used to inform the five year land supply, years 6-10 and years 15+ to ensure deliverable sites are put forward over the plan period.</p>	<p>basis and review the use of sites in the Residential Land Assessment.</p> <p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
Agree with PAD6 (North East Basildon Urban Extension)	90, 141, 150, 183, 203, 249, 265, 289, 304, 475, 702, 1054, 2820, 4075, 5060, 5552, 6589	Noted.	N/A.
Disagree with PAD6 (North East Basildon Urban Extension)	1722, 2261, 3154	Noted.	N/A.
Evidence suggests south east Basildon is a better option	3154, 6140	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and	Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.

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		<p>Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages.</p>
Agree with PAD7 (South Essex Marshes)	1171, 3044, 3094, 6589	Noted.	N/A
Suggested worded changes to PAD7s	405, 2177, 4620, 5293, 5928, 6064, 6090	Noted.	Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.
Disagree with the Core Strategy	121, 799, 1230, 1777, 2147, 2932, 3649, 3743, 4118	Noted.	N/A
Preferred previous Option A	3053	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy	N/A

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		<p>Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth. The NPPF was published when the Council were out for consultation on the previous strategy.</p> <p>The consultation on the previous strategy and the publication of the NPPF and the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014 reinforces that the previous strategy would be found unsound as the Council must meet its development needs.</p> <p>Development needs are based on population forecasts and economic forecasts rather than land capacity, which the previous strategy was based on. If the Council had pursued with the previous strategy, it would have submitted the document to the Planning Inspectorate to be told that it was not compliant with national policy and to review it.</p>	
Disagree with the approach for Basildon to grow	9, 17, 68, 277, 341, 454, 509, 576, 775, 916, 924, 1027, 1081, 1038, 1109, 1159, 1230, 1310, 1578, 1653, 1722, 1779, 1865, 1967, 2103, 2288, 2850, 2924, 4109, 4817, 4960, 5042	Noted.	N/A
Basildon is large enough already, it has grown as	4, 557, 847, 852, 853, 859, 1019, 1386, 1392, 1405, 1510, 1526, 1638, 1734, 1750, 1838,	Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The	Review appropriateness of development locations in

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much as it can	1842, 1876, 2126, 2753, 2890, 2904, 3060, 3180, 3997, 4606, 4694, 4842, 4946, 5099, 7213	Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.	light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Basildon needs more leisure / entertainment	9, 2357	<p>Noted. The Borough has a good overall distribution of public leisure facilities, including swimming pools and leisure centres in Billericay and Wickford and the multi-purpose Basildon Sporting village in Gloucester Park, Basildon.</p> <p>Culturally, there is limited range of public performing art venues, galleries and museums within the Borough, especially when compared with sports based recreation facilities, or comparable venues in other towns or cities nearby.</p> <p>Core Policy 18 – Education, Community, Leisure and Cultural Facilities states that the Council will require all new development that will increase demand for social, leisure and cultural facilities to contribute towards providing new facilities where there is a need created by the development; or to enhance existing facilities in the vicinity to meet expanding needs in accordance with the Council’s relevant standards.</p>	<p>The Council will carry out an update to its Retail & Leisure Capacity Study, which will provide an assessment of the future needs and capacity for retail, leisure, arts, culture and tourism.</p> <p>Through the Borough’s Local Development Plan, the Council will facilitate and promote a vibrant night time economy by encouraging a mixture of compatible uses in Regional or Town centres.</p>

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		<p>The Council recognises that Basildon Town Centre has an under provision of service, catering and leisure uses which severely restricts the night-time economy within the town centre. As such, Core Policy 8 of the Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options states that Basildon Town Centre will be the primary focus for all future major retail and leisure development, alongside supporting education, cultural and employment uses.</p>	
<p>The Council should build on brownfield sites and empty properties first</p>	<p>121, 238, 840, 1301, 1477, 1882, 1994, 2062, 3202, 3649, 4010, 4016, 4785, 5104, 5173, 7268, 8221</p>	<p>Noted. The Council agrees with this opinion, which is why the 6,900 homes estimated to come from the urban area will maximise brownfield sites considered to be suitable, available and achievable for development. Brownfield sites constitute approximately 37% of this total urban capacity.</p>	<p>Consider whether a specific policy should include more detailed guidance on brownfield sites and their expected contribution to development delivery in the Borough.</p>
<p>No evidence to imply Basildon needs as many houses or that incomers would find employment</p>	<p>212, 3435</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need and the Council has carried out a number of independent studies to determine what the needs of the Borough are up to 2031. These include the EPOA Essex Demographic Forecasts (Jan 2013), the Greater Essex Demographic Forecasts 2012-2037, the Thames Gateway South Essex (TGSE) Strategic Housing Market Assessment (Dec 2013), the Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Local Needs Accommodation Assessment (Mar 2014), the Housing Growth Topic Paper (Aug 2013) carried out by Edge Analytics and the Employment Land & Premises Study (Atkins Jul 2013). All of these studies</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>are available on the Council's website and have determined that the Borough's objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller Pitches.</p> <p>The Employment Land and Premises Study assesses the current provision for employment in the Borough and provides an assessment of future demand and market demands, and evaluates current policies and research in neighbouring authority areas.</p> <p>The study has involved a comprehensive assessment of the future demand for employment land that complies with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), including the need to be more flexible and responsive to market signals and the need to demonstrate greater co-operation with neighbouring authorities.</p>	
Expanding Basildon will not benefit residents	229, 2924	The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road	N/A

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Billericay and / or Wickford should take more growth	256, 840, 1314, 4976, 4984	<p>improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. However, the objectively assessed need is a minimum and the Council will assess planning applications in line with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.</p>	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2B in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Other areas outside of Basildon should take more growth	501, 746, 997, 1467, 1823, 2850	<p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs within its own boundary. As yet, the Council has no evidence to suggest that the Borough's objectively assessed needs cannot be met within the Borough boundary. Therefore, the Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. However, the objectively assessed need is a minimum and the Council will assess planning applications in line with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.</p>	<p>Complete the Evidence Base which supports the Local Plan to determine whether there are any major constraints to the provision of the Borough's objectively assessed needs within its own administrative boundary.</p> <p>Work with neighbouring authorities under the Duty to Cooperate to ensure that proposed Local Development Plans meet the objectively assessed needs of Essex Borough's, and the unmet needs of</p>

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			other local authority areas where reasonable to do so.
Sites have not been identified in PAD15 and its deliverability and soundness is questionable	5383	Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.	Sites have not been identified in PAD15 and its deliverability and soundness is questionable
Basildon needs better infrastructure such as roads, rail, cycle paths, healthcare, education and utilities if it is to grow	256, 388, 424, 447, 546, 623, 649, 663, 676, 691, 719, 775, 765, 766, 787, 816, 847, 852, 853, 924, 990, 1019, 1023, 1027, 1088, 1363, 1405, 1418, 1489, 1523, 1526, 1542, 1546, 1638, 1722, 1697, 1750, 1790, 1823, 1834, 1876, 2025, 2053, 2712, 2126, 2147, 2261, 2268, 2288, 2801, 2962, 3013, 3022, 3036, 3094, 3112, 3144, 3180, 3232, 3514, 3695, 3997, 4012, 4028, 4567, 4748, 4838, 4946, 5099, 5995, 6170, 6589, 7213	<p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p>	<p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and</p>

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		<p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	<p>relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>
<p>Education provision in the PADCs is over estimated</p>	<p>4620</p>	<p>Noted. Basildon Council has thus far worked in partnership with the Education Authority on a high level growth scenario to determine the 'worst-case' future need for education up to 2031. Basildon Council appreciates that this is unlikely to be indicative of the final educational requirements associated with the housing provision contained in the Revised Preferred Option and will continue to work with Essex County Council, as the education authority, to provide an accurate educational requirement associated with each of the PADCs.</p>	<p>The Council will work with Essex County Council, as the education authority, to determine accurate education requirements associated with each strategic location for development to be allocated in the Local Plan, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p>
<p>The plans are ambitious and may not be deliverable due to costs to upgrade infrastructure and time.</p>	<p>2230, 2330, 3219, 5953</p>	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council must continue to engage with infrastructure providers to</p>

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		<p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 new homes per year to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Options Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and the East of England economic Forecast Model that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area. The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised provision.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific</p>	<p>identify what infrastructure is required to support the Borough's proposed growth, when it is needed by and how much it is forecast to cost.</p> <p>The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need, in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>

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		<p>upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
New developments should be located within easy walking distances of public transport to reduce congestion on roads	787, 990, 994, 2147	Noted.	N/A
No building on Green Belt (contrary to the NPPF)	323, 360, 597, 1038, 1301, 1377, 1418, 1449, 1467, 1606, 1739, 1779, 1876, 1905, 2053, 2065, 2118, 2126, 2230, 2268, 2830, 3053, 3112, 3027, 3071, 3154, 3820, 4094, 4441, 4466, 4630, 4748, 4984, 4785, 4995, 4996, 5173, 6558	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the	N/A

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		<p>objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth. In accordance with national planning policy it must consider whether its Green Belt boundaries need to be adjusted through the review of the Local Plan in order to allocate enough land to meet those needs.</p> <p>The Council has carried out a detailed assessment of the Green Belt and its ability to accommodate development. This study has been used alongside the communal results of many other evidence based documents to determine the most appropriate locations for development throughout the plan period.</p>	
No building on open spaces	597, 840, 1063, 1254, 1578, 1606, 1750, 2147, 3464, 3723, 4598, 4984	<p>Noted. The Council is trying through the Local Plan to avoid building on green spaces too much in the future. It accepts that green spaces are vital components of where people live and work and support wildlife, drainage management and recreation, as well as promote better health and well-being.</p> <p>This is one of the reasons why the Council believes that reviewing the Green Belt beyond the edges of the urban areas is a necessary consideration to accommodate development needs. Whilst this route will result in a loss of countryside, the development can be planned to incorporate new green spaces to become the parks and recreational areas of the future, supporting the Borough's</p>	N/A

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		growing population.	
Wildlife needs to be protected	1578, 2261, 5042	Noted.	The Council should consider how Policy CP10 can be strengthened to adequately mitigate impacts to wildlife.
More development will increase flooding / concerns relating to flooding	3340, 4072, 5995, 6568	The Council have had regard to the Basildon Borough Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA, 2011) and the Local Plan Flood Risk Sequential Test Report (Dec 2013) in determining its preferred option and the yields of potential development sites located in flood risk areas, and will continue to do so in any future revisions and throughout the Local Development Plan process. The SFRA, alongside the National Planning Policy Framework highlight the importance of regard to flooding in an area. Direct mention of flood risk has been identified in Core Policy 16.	The Council will work in partnership with the Water Authority, Environment Agency, Essex County Council (Lead Local Flood Authority and SuDS Approval Body) and other relevant flood risk management authorities to ensure that flood risk within the Borough is effectively managed.
Basildon should have more growth	141, 431, 605, 983, 1349, 1847, 1849, 1865, 2198, 2207, 2939, 3317, 3586, 3609, 4201, 4687, 5306, 5383	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Option 2A is disproportionate	516, 1912, 3583, 3820, 6027	Core Policy 1 – Settlement Housing Distribution, states that the Council will distribute a proportionate amount of growth (Option 2A) to the main towns in line with the Settlement Hierarchy. This means that a similar proportion of housing will be distributed to each settlement depending on the size of the original settlement area. For example,	Consider wording changes to Core Policy 1 to provide more clarity as to the ideology behind the spatial distribution of development within the Local Plan Core Strategy.

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		<p>2011 Census data relating to the total number of households contained in the different wards for each of the three largest settlements show approximately 12,541 households in Billericay, 12,825 in Wickford and 44,776 in Basildon. Therefore, the proposed allocation in Spatial Option 2A of 2,500 in Billericay, 2,800 in Wickford and 10,125 in Basildon represents an increase of between 20–23% for each of these settlements.</p>	
<p>Basildon Town Centre needs to be redeveloped</p>	<p>323, 1314, 1869, 2147</p>	<p>Noted. PADC1 has identified Basildon Town Centre as the Spatial strategy’s focus for mixed-use town centre regeneration. As supported by the National Planning Policy Framework, its regeneration will be co-ordinated and managed by a periodically reviewed Masterplan that aims to improve public and private investment by creating an environment where people want to live, work, shop and relax.</p>	<p>Review the Town Centre Masterplan as and when required in accordance with the NPPF.</p>
<p>The housing number shouldn’t be in excess of the requirement for new workers or residents</p>	<p>1869</p>	<p>Noted. Recently released Planning Practice Guidance on the ‘Assessment of Housing and Economic Development Needs’ supports local planning authorities in objectively assessing and evidencing development needs for housing (both market and affordable); and economic development (which includes main town centre uses).</p> <p>To understand the ‘objectively assessed need’ for housing we must understand what is required to address demographic change over the plan period. The Planning Advisory Service (PAS) has prepared nine fundamental principles that should guide the</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>approach to understand and calculate housing need, including the use of up to date demographic evidence to understand how the population has changed in the past and what components of change (births, deaths, migration) are that have contributed to this. Also to Benchmark different scenarios against the economic growth ambitions and population that will be required to deliver the total number of jobs.</p> <p>The Greater Essex Demographic Forecasts supplied by Edge Analytics uses a comparison of 2010 and 2011 population projection estimates from the Census and assumes continuing trends in fertility, mortality and migration. It also takes into consideration Basildon's economic position within South Essex to formulate its recommendation of providing 800 dwellings per year to meet the objectively assessed needs for housing in the Borough. Therefore, the need to build housing is determined by the projected population increase, and the Employment Land & Premises Study, (which has been used to identify the requirement for employment land and jobs over the same plan period), has used a demand led approach in line with the NPPF to determine the employment requirements created by the increased number of households.</p> <p>The Council has used the appropriate evidence to distribute the development in sites that are</p>	

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		deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.	
Laindon Town centre should be replaced by housing as it will no longer be successful as a retail centre	1136, 1453, 1739	Noted. The Council are working with the new landowners to ensure the regeneration of Laindon Town Centre comes forward. The Council are carrying out a Retail and Commercial Leisure Study, which will provide an update on the character and status of the Laindon Town Centre.	Continue to work with landowners of the Laindon Centre. Prepare Retail and Commercial Leisure Study.
Laindon needs to be redeveloped	323, 570, 691, 1171, 2924	Noted. The Council are currently working closely with the landowners to bring forward the development. An extension to the Laindon Town Centre could be considered as part of these proposals.	Consider an extension to the Laindon Town Centre in the next version of the Local Plan.
Why has Pitsea town centre not been included?	4181	Pitsea town centre has not been identified as a specific Policy Area for Development & Change (PADC) as the majority of the regeneration works have now taken place and the remaining development would not be so significant as to require a strategic policy area to be defined within the Core Strategy. The Council will assess planning applications submitted in this area in line with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.	N/A
Disagree with PADC10	637	Noted.	N/A
Lack of investment in	338	Noted. Taking a blanket principled approach that all	The Council will work with

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Wickford compared to other settlements		<p>areas should receive the same level of investment is not sustainable and against national planning policy.</p> <p>Investment in infrastructure should occur to mitigate development impact.</p> <p>A regeneration strategy for Wickford town centre was approved by Councillors at a cabinet meeting in March 2013. The cabinet report sets out a proposed regeneration strategy based upon a series of achievable short and medium term outcomes which will deliver visible progress and benefit local residents and business. These include a new High Street market, High Street improvements, Local health infrastructure, swimming pool refurbishment and extension, disposal of site at Radwinter Avenue for housing and encouraging a new supermarket along with car park improvements and improved links to the High Street.</p>	<p>relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p>
Vacant retail units should be used for residential purposes	691, 1876	<p>Additional changes to the Permitted Development Rights, which came into force on 6th April 2014 allows change of use and some associated physical works from a small shop or provider of professional/financial services (A1 and A2 uses) to residential use (C3). This involves a 'prior approval' process and the local planning authority can consider impacts of the proposed change. Up to 150 square metres of retail space will be able to change to residential use.</p> <p>This will form part of the Council's regulatory</p>	<p>The Council will carry out an update to its Retail Capacity Study, which will provide an assessment of existing retail facilities in the Borough, the future needs for additional retail facilities and the capacity for Basildon's centres to meet demand through identification of sites.</p>

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		Development Management function and is not within the remit of the Local Plan to allocate land for strategic level development.	
Locations to the north and south of Basildon should be considered, not just to the east and west.	439, 2314, 3669, 4072, 4181, 5306, 5383, 5469, 5953, 6568	<p>Noted. In line with the National Planning Policy Framework, the Council must demonstrate that the objectively assessed need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
The proposals will merge Basildon, Billericay and Wickford together	706, 3060, 3503, 4984	In line with the National Planning Policy Framework, the Council must demonstrate that the objectively assessed need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt,	N/A

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		<p>historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	
<p>The Council should build another new town</p>	<p>766</p>	<p>Noted. The Council considered the options for a new settlement in the Borough as part of the development of its Spatial Options Topic Paper.</p> <p>This appraisal found there is not the land in the Borough to accommodate all of the development requirements.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>There are not enough training opportunities to allow young people to fill jobs</p>	<p>907</p>	<p>Agreed. The Basildon Borough Community Strategy 2012-2036 identifies a need to improve employment prospects, education and skills of local people. In spite of efforts by the Council, its partners and education providers to offer new training opportunities for young people and adult learners, the recent decline of manufacturing employment has meant more local people are now reliant on lower skilled, lower income jobs as well as more part-time employment.</p> <p>The Borough has limited opportunities for post GCSE education compared to neighbouring authority areas and a general lack of courses that offer people the chance to meet their academic or vocational potential. This is in part believed to be</p>	<p>The Council will work with its partners to strengthen connections between local job opportunities and apprenticeship and training schemes with local schools and colleges, reducing the number of young people in the Borough that are not in education, employment or training and the unemployed.</p> <p>The Council will also maximise through Planning Obligations the opportunity</p>

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		discouraging some from continuing with education post-16 and limits the ability of adults to re-train to meet the skill needs of local employers. The Borough will therefore need to facilitate the ability for people to diversify their skills and gain training if it is to strengthen the reputation of the area as a hub for business and ensure local people are able to make the most of job opportunities that arise in the area.	of apprenticeships to contribute to the Borough's key regeneration and development schemes.
The Council failed to engage with its residents	1011, 1210	<p>Noted. The consultation was publicised for a total of 10 weeks in the local press, on buses, in train stations, in town centre based ad vans/bill boards, on the Council website and on local radio.</p> <p>In addition, a number of road shows were carried out in Billericay, Wickford, Basildon, Laindon, Pitsea, with meetings held at different community groups and parish councils as requested so that the general public could ask questions relating to any aspect contained within the Local Plan Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options.</p>	Continue to consult on future documents relating to the Local Plan to at least statutory timescales.
Spatial Option 2C is better (more growth in Basildon)	903, 1063, 1241, 1551, 1581, 1752	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
No real consideration or mention of Options 2B or 2C	4962	Chapter 4 of the Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options Report presents all three spatial options, which are also depicted for comparison by pie charts on page 2 of the leaflet that accompanied the Council's consultation.	Review appropriateness of all Spatial Options in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.

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		<p>The Spatial Options Topic Paper (Dec 2013) provides specific detail on how the Spatial Options were identified. Using the evidence base, a number of strategic housing scenarios were considered prior to settling on the three spatial options that form part of the Revised Preferred Options Report 2013. The three shortlisted spatial options are covered in detail as part of this paper with Chapter 7 devoted to Spatial Option 2A, Chapter 8 to 2B, and Chapter 9 to 2C. The appendices also include key diagrams, which show broad locations for strategic development sites.</p> <p>In determining the Council's Preferred Option, all three spatial options were subjected to a high level SWOT analysis, Sustainability Appraisal and tested for their impact on the Highway network. Details of these considerations can be found in the Council's Sustainability Appraisal (2013), Highway Impact Assessment (Jan 2014), and the appendices of the Spatial Options Topic Paper (Dec 2013).</p>	
The proposed housing number is unnecessarily high and ambitious	1849	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth. The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks</p>

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		<p>NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and economic East of England Forecast Model, that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area. The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised provision. The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment. The Council will continue to work with Essex County</p>	<p>etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision. The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
The South East is already full	1205, 1755, 2065, 2261	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development.</p> <p>The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to</p>	N/A

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		<p>support development.</p> <p>The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>Further, the Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011, the Council would have to ask neighbouring authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	
Smaller scale development would be preferential	3352, 3371	Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The	N/A

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		<p>Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. Whilst the Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options does include a number of small scale development sites that would contribute to the overall need through minor amendments to the Green Belt boundary; strategic sites must also be identified if the Council is to have any chance of meeting the Borough's full objectively assessed needs.</p>	
<p>Support reference to financial contribution to local sporting facilities (re-wording to enable contributions to strategic sporting projects). Contribution to sport facilities should be included in all PADCs.</p>	<p>952, 953</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.</p>
<p>Neighbouring authorities have not been approached regarding the proposals for PADC4 and PADC5</p>	<p>5193, 6640</p>	<p>Development and regeneration is happening all over the Country and is a national requirement for all areas to provide for growth. The Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a</p>	<p>Work with neighbouring authorities under the Duty to Cooperate to identify any cross-boundary issues associated with development, to ensure that proposed Local Development Plans meet the objectively assessed</p>

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		<p>legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs.</p> <p>The Council work jointly with neighbouring areas on a number of different areas, including joint evidence bases. One of the joint evidence bases is the Strategic Housing Market Assessment, which has been used in the preparation of the Local Plan. However, the Council will continue to work with neighbouring authorities and other partners on Duty to Co-operate issues.</p>	<p>needs of Borough's in Essex, and the unmet needs of other local authority areas where reasonable to do so; and to ensure that the character and identity of settlements are retained.</p> <p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
No comment/unspecified	59, 186, 468, 1949, 2028, 2035, 2040, 2348, 2370, 2764, 2975, 3099, 3191, 3243, 3302, 3872, 4292, 4546, 5181, 5427, 5649, 5714, 5826, 5863,6005, 6039, 6050, 6159, 6294	Noted.	N/A
Not enough detail / time to comment	309, 889, 1155, 1214, 1499, 1561, 1610, 1617, 1710, 1597, 2185, 2268, 3583, 4421, 4997, 4998, 4999	<p>Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p> <p>The Council's consultation on the Core Strategy ran for 8 weeks from 21st January to 18th March, which is two weeks longer than the Council is statutorily</p>	<p>Consider whether to prepare a single Local Plan.</p> <p>Carry out any future consultations to at least statutory required timescales.</p>

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		required to do so in order to give people time to respond. This time period was then extended by a further two weeks up to the 1 st April in response to the public request for more time to make comments.	

Question 4 – Do you agree with the approach for Wickford to grow? Please give reasons why.

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<p>Disagree as Wickford does not need growth as Green Belt land should be protected, Wickford will merge with neighbouring settlements, flood risk issues and there is not enough infrastructure</p>	<p>10, 18, 83, 101, 151, 213, 222, 239, 250, 312, 328, 344, 567, 582, 598, 602, 611, 619, 624, 664, 720, 733, 771, 800, 810, 959, 984, 1028, 1039, 1055, 1064, 1093, 1110, 1147, 1156, 1231, 1255, 1289, 1294, 1322, 1353, 1387, 1403, 1450, 1468, 1511, 1589, 1623, 1632, 1639, 1692, 1711, 1756, 1768, 1778, 1791, 1805, 1870, 1824, 1851, 1908, 1913, 1929, 1940, 2054, 2078, 2104, 2149, 2199, 2208, 2245, 2290, 2693, 2735, 2754, 2778, 2787, 2802, 2812, 2821, 2831, 2858, 2891, 2905, 2915, 2925, 2933, 2944, 3028, 3037, 3054, 3061, 3072, 3113, 3124, 3181, 3277, 3288, 3470, 3353, 3373, 3436, 3521, 3821, 3985, 3998, 4029, 4205, 4443, 4467, 4569, 4607, 4631, 4640, 4688, 4696, 4789, 4820, 4840, 4844, 4947, 4961, 5103, 5128, 5174, 6559, 6590, 7214, 7233</p>	<p>Noted. The Government’s National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF’s Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>In accordance with national planning policy it must consider whether its Green Belt boundaries need to be adjusted through the review of the Local Plan in order to allocate enough land to meet those needs.</p> <p>In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that the objectively assessed need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and</p>	<p>The Council will work in partnership with the Water Authority, Environment Agency, Essex County Council (Lead Local Flood Authority and SuDS Approval Body) and other relevant flood risk management authorities to ensure that flood risk within the Borough is effectively managed.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to</p>

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		<p>identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>The Council have had regard to the Basildon Borough Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA, 2011) and the Local Plan Flood Risk Sequential Test Report (Dec 2013) in determining its preferred option and the yields of potential development sites located in flood risk areas, and will continue to do so in any future revisions and throughout the Local Development Plan process. The SFRA, alongside the National Planning Policy Framework highlight the importance of regard to flooding in an area. Direct mention of flood risk has been identified in Core Policy 16.</p> <p>The Council has prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. This document is available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify</p>	<p>identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>

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		<p>what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
<p>Agree with the approach as it has strategic infrastructure in place and is in a good location but will need to be phased appropriately</p>	<p>3, 26, 36, 51, 60, 69, 164, 173, 179, 296, 368, 376, 381, 406, 440, 448, 462, 536, 673, 734, 747, 792, 818, 904, 919, 942, 978, 1097, 1172, 1246, 1335, 1339, 1375, 1413, 1441, 1485, 1490, 1552, 1670, 1698, 1799, 1816, 1883, 1895, 1950, 2271, 2703, 2843, 2996, 3014, 3045, 3084, 3145, 3173, 3233, 3266, 3255, 3400, 3788, 3768, 3833, 3873, 4160, 4255, 4374, 4582, 4824, 5417, 5526, 5954, 6017, 6622, 6541, 6577</p>	<p>Noted. The Council has prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. This document is available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure</p>	<p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability</p>

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		<p>constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Local Plan will use an in-built mechanism to ‘plan, monitor and manage’ the delivery of its policies and proposals through the Authority’s Monitoring Report as required by the Localism Act 2011, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and the NPPF. This will report on the individual targets and indicators of the Core Strategy Monitoring Framework (presented as a supporting document for the Revised Preferred Options consultation) throughout the plan period, comparing progress against the Core Strategy’s Draft Phasing Programme, as set out in Appendix E of the Revised Preferred Options Report 2013.</p> <p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The</p>	<p>of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will work with Landowners, Developers and the Development industry to ensure that sites allocated for development in later versions of the Local Plan are deliverable. The Council will also review the ‘Draft Phasing Strategy’ to ensure that development is suitably phased so that necessary improvements to infrastructure can be brought forward in a timely manner to support development.</p>

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		<p>PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single, more detailed Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies.</p> <p>Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.</p>	
<p>Growth should be re-distributed to Basildon (particularly PAD6) as it has better infrastructure, has more job opportunities and is less environmentally sensitive</p>	<p>91, 114, 142, 151, 194, 204, 290, 478, 715, 1055, 1242, 1353, 1850, 2199, 2208, 2821, 3155, 4042, 5553</p>	<p>Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements. The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p> <p>Continue to legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan.</p>

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		<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) sets out that the purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development. There are three dimensions to sustainable development; economic, social and environmental.</p> <p>The Council must also be in line with Section 19 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, requiring local planning authorities to carry out a ‘sustainability appraisal’ of the proposals in a Local Plan during its preparation. This overlaps with some of the requirements in the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, which gives effect to European Union Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of effect of certain plans and programmes on the environment’. Therefore, the Council must legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan.</p> <p>The purpose of the Local Plan Core Strategy is to consider the areas afresh and not assume that no investment will be required in key services or infrastructure. Part of the Local Plan’s function is, through policy and supporting mechanisms such as CIL, to enable the upgrading of local infrastructure to acceptable standards to cope with development pressure. It is not appropriate for the Council to base its decisions on the state of an area’s current</p>	

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		<p>infrastructure and assume there would be no investment possible through development.</p> <p>The Borough's forecast jobs growth is not equal to housing growth as it is inappropriate to assume all jobs for people living in the Borough, would also be based in the Borough, given that people already commute to neighbouring areas and the City of London to different types of jobs.</p>	
<p>Brownfield sites, empty properties and infill sites in the plotlands should be used</p>	<p>122, 1118, 1288, 1433, 1528, 1843, 2029, 2880, 3061, 3653, 4749, 5865,</p>	<p>Noted. The Council agrees with this opinion, which is why the 6,900 homes estimated to come from the urban area will maximise brownfield sites considered to be suitable, available and achievable for development. Brownfield sites constitute approximately 37% of this total urban capacity.</p> <p>The Local Plan also encourages the use of empty properties in line with the Thames Gateway South Essex (TGSE) Housing Strategy and Empty Homes Programme. However, to meet the development needs of the Borough, Greenfield sites will also be required.</p> <p>The Revised Preferred Options Core Strategy proposes a dwelling provision of 375 homes to be shared between the 13 Plotland settlements in the Borough. This kind of development would be allowed to come forward through an exception to Green Belt policy as stated in Core Policy 11 of the Revised Preferred Options Report 2013. This would principally include infill development</p>	<p>Consider whether a specific policy should include more detailed guidance on brownfield sites and their expected contribution to development delivery in the Borough.</p>

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		<p>on vacant plots between existing dwellings on an existing road frontage, or on a corner plot.</p> <p>Further policy on appropriate development within the Green Belt will be set out in the Local Plan Site Allocations and Development Management Policies and/or a Plotland Settlement Infill Supplementary Planning Document.</p>	
<p>Population only increases if houses are built. Development does not benefit the area's existing communities</p>	<p>230, 340, 3341</p>	<p>The Greater Essex Demographic Forecasts supplied by Edge Analytics uses a comparison of 2010 and 2011 population projection estimates from the Census and assumes continuing trends in fertility, mortality and migration. It also takes into consideration Basildon's economic position within South Essex to formulate its recommendation of providing 800 dwellings per year to meet the objectively assessed needs for housing in the Borough. Therefore, the need to build housing is determined by the projected population increase and is not the corollary for it. For example, the 2011 Sub-National Population Projections estimate that the population in the Basildon Borough will increase from 174,971 to 187,879 by 2021.</p> <p>The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs.</p> <p>The Government's National Planning Policy Framework</p>	<p>The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need.</p>

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		<p>(NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>In the production of the Council's Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options, careful consideration of different communities has been made including such things as housing density, housing mix, design and the built environment, flood risk, conservation and the natural environment, open spaces, and supporting infrastructure such as schools, hospitals etc. to ensure that any new development is not only in keeping with the existing settlement but also provides a benefit to new and existing communities.</p>	
Farms should be protected	324, 337	Noted.	N/A

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		<p>In accordance with Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) guidance and the NPPF, the Council has taken into consideration whether any land in the Borough is of Grade 1, 2 or 3a, which is defined as being “the most versatile and productive agricultural land”.</p> <p>DEFRA has confirmed that none of the agricultural land in the Basildon Borough is of these grades.</p> <p>The majority of Green Belt land in the Basildon Borough is available to use as agricultural land should the landowners want to use it for this purpose; however landowners are also encouraged by Government subsidies to set aside farming land for biodiversity, environmental stewardship and recreation, which means not all of it is used for this purpose.</p>	
Plotlands should be used to provide dwellings	324, 337	<p>Noted. The Revised Preferred Options Core Strategy proposes a dwelling provision of 375 homes to be shared between the 13 Plotland settlements in the Borough. This kind of development would be allowed to come forward through an exception to Green Belt policy as stated in Core Policy 11 of the Revised Preferred Options Report 2013. This would principally include infill development on vacant plots between existing dwellings on an existing road frontage, or on a corner plot.</p> <p>Further policy on appropriate development within the Green Belt will be set out in the Local Plan Site Allocations and Development Management Policies</p>	Basildon Council will pursue an application for the Right to Build Vanguard scheme, and promote the Council’s justification for this proposed change to Green Belt policy in order to enable low density rural locations to help meet local need through providing alternative locations for self-build.

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		and/or a Plotland Settlement Infill Supplementary Planning Document.	
There should be suitable land for development outside the Green Belt	239, 362	With the exception of the Nethermayne development site, which was safeguarded for housing development in the 1990's, all land outside of the urban area of the three main towns and the settlement boundaries of certain villages is located within the Green Belt. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth. The Council's objectively assessed needs are identified in the Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options as 16,000 new homes and 49ha of employment land. The Borough's urban area only has the capacity to accommodate 6,900 homes and 38ha of employment land. Therefore, in order to plan positively to meet the overall needs within the Borough boundary, the Council must consider allocating land in the Green Belt for development.	N/A
Support PADC8	3906	Noted	N/A
Wickford town centre needs to be regenerated (PADC8). There are many empty buildings. Changes to wording	26, 433, 502, 510, 675, 800, 1421, 1623, 1883, 2078, 2149, 2178, 2245, 2778, 2940, 2996, 3007, 3023, 3084, 3145, 3266, 5526, 6507, 6622,	To support the Vision and Strategic Objectives in line with the Spatial Strategy, Wickford Town Centre will be regenerated in phases by 2031 and is identified as a Policy Area for Development & Change (PADC8) in the	The town centre's regeneration will be led by the Council, in partnership with landowners, businesses,

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suggested		<p>Council's Core Strategy. The Wickford Town Centre Masterplan was approved as a material consideration by the Council in 2006 and set out the broad principles for its regeneration. In March 2013, the Council approved a Regeneration Strategy for Wickford Town Centre for a phased, pragmatic approach that should make a tangible difference to the town centre.</p> <p>The Local Plan also encourages the use of empty properties in line with the Thames Gateway South Essex (TGSE) Housing Strategy and Empty Homes Programme.</p>	<p>service providers and Essex County Council by 2031.</p> <p>Development details will be determined through the planning application process by the Local Planning Authority and should seek to be delivered in accordance with the strategic policies contained in the Local Plan.</p> <p>Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.</p>
More development in PAD8 including starter homes. The number in urban extensions could be reduced.	1740	<p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>However, the objectively assessed need is a minimum and the Council will assess planning applications in line with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.</p> <p>The Council has sought to maximise Urban Capacity,</p>	Continue to maximise the development potential of town centres.

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		<p>which is why 6,900 homes have been estimated to come from the urban area, as this will maximise brownfield sites that are considered to be suitable, available and achievable for development. Brownfield development constitutes approximately 37% of total urban capacity, which in turn constitutes approximately 43% of the total housing proposed as part of the Council's Objectively Assessed Need for housing.</p> <p>The Local Plan also encourages the use of empty properties in line with the TGSE Housing Strategy and Empty Homes Programme. However, to meet the development needs of the Borough, Greenfield sites, or 'urban extensions', will also be required.</p>	
Support growth at PADC9. Changes to wording suggested	414, 1698, 2178, 2371, 2963, 3303, 5226, 6107,	Noted.	Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.
Do not support growth on PADC9 as it could cause coalescence with Rawreth and have an impact on infrastructure	213, 4205, 4840, 6509, 6559, 6550	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic</p>	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the</p>

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		<p>environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p>	<p>proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>
Support growth at PADC10 as community facilities can be provided. Changes to wording suggested	1698, 2708, 2963, 5226, 5307	Noted.	Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.
Do not support growth on PADC10	213, 414, 513, 638, 1639, 2178, 3220, 3213, 3943, 3966, 4205, 5954, 6107, 6590, 6559	Noted.	Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Support growth at PAD11. Changes to wording suggested, including could accommodate more growth	1698, 5226, 5865, 5827, 5954	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites</p>	Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.

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		<p>that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>However, the objectively assessed need is a minimum and the Council will assess planning applications in line with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.</p>	
<p>Do not support growth on PADC11 as will cause coalescence with Ramsden Bellhouse, has multiple owners, access difficulty and protected trees</p>	<p>213, 414, 1294, 2178, 2318, 2708, 2963, 2971, 3943, 3966, 4205, 4116, 4160, 6107, 6590, 6615, 6559</p>	<p>The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>

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		<p>be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>PADC11 states that the area should be brought forward as a comprehensive development through a partnership approach with public and private sectors. Specific details of the development area will be set out in the Local Plan Site Allocations and Development Management Policies. Final implementation would be through the planning application process to be approved by the Local Planning Authority.</p>	
<p>Support growth at PADC12. Changes to wording suggested and opportunities for more growth</p>	<p>414, 1698, 3906, 6622</p>	<p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>However, the objectively assessed need is a minimum and the Council will assess planning applications in line</p>	<p>Consider the proposed changes to policy wording.</p>

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		with adopted policy in the Local Plan and other adopted policy guidance.	
Do not support growth on PAD12 as will require mass infrastructure improvements	213, 513, 1294, 1711, 2851, 4205, 5954, 6107, 6590, 6559	<p>Noted. The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	<p>The Council should consider providing more detail about the infrastructure required to support the development of PAD12.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>
Support alternative option 1 – Bell Farm as in one ownership	4116, 6107	Noted. The Bell Farm site is located within Area 37 of the Green Belt Study and is identified as an area that	Review appropriateness of development locations in

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<p>and can be delivered early in the plan period to meet the need in the area.</p>		<p>should be protected for its recreation and amenity value. It states that there is agricultural land and woodland in the area that could be lost if development took place. The landscape in the area is of good condition and the steep topography to the north of the area provides open views to the north and south. Furthermore, there are listed buildings and historical attributes within the area that would be at risk if large scale development took place. The area forms a fundamental role in its separation between Crays Hill, its subsequent Plotland area and Wickford. For all these constraints the Council does not consider the area appropriate for large scale development.</p> <p>PADC11 is made up of the Green Belt Areas of 38 and 39, which are considered by the Green Belt Study to be Tier 1 (most development potential) and Tier 2 respectively.</p> <p>Notwithstanding the results of the Green Belt Study, the most appropriate locations for development have been determined through application of the communal result of all documents contributing to the Council's Local Plan evidence base.</p> <p>PADC11 should be delivered as a comprehensive development through a partnership approach with public and private sectors by 2028 and only as a last resort will the Council consider a new strategic area</p>	<p>light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p> <p>Review the Council's phasing strategy.</p>

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		<p>equivalent to this one in order to bring forward necessary development through the local plan process. Any alternative would apply all aspects of the evidence base, including the results of the Green Belt Study to determine whether it could be considered suitable for development.</p> <p>Not all development will be sought early in the plan period and a suitable phasing strategy will need to be adopted in order to bring forward necessary improvements to supporting infrastructure.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
Do not support alternative option 1 – Bell Farm as it has flooding issues and will cause highway concerns	1142, 1711, 2708, 2472, 2474, 2475, 2476, 2477, 2478, 2479, 2480, 2481, 2482, 2483, 2484, 2485, 2486, 2487, 2488, 2489, 2490, 2491, 2492, 2493, 2494, 2495, 2496, 2497, 2498, 2499, 2500, 2505, 2506, 2507, 2508, 2509, 2510, 2511, 2512, 2513, 2514, 2515, 2516, 2517, 2518, 2519, 2520, 2521, 2522, 2523, 2524, 2525, 2526, 2527, 2528, 2529, 2530, 2531, 2532, 2533, 2534, 2535, 2536, 2537, 2538, 2539, 2540, 2541, 2542, 2543, 2544, 2545, 2546, 2547, 2548, 2549, 2550, 2551, 2552, 2553, 2554, 2555, 2556, 2557, 2558, 2559, 2560, 2561, 2562, 2563, 2564, 2565, 2566, 2567, 2568, 2569, 2570, 2571,	<p>Noted. The Bell Farm site is located within Area 37 of the Green Belt Study and is identified as an area that should be protected for its recreation and amenity value. It states that there is agricultural land and woodland in the area that could be lost if development took place. The landscape in the area is of good condition and the steep topography to the north of the area provides open views to the north and south. Furthermore, there are listed buildings and historical attributes within the area that would be at risk if large scale development took place. The area forms a fundamental role in its separation between Crays Hill, its subsequent Plotland area and Wickford. For all these constraints the Council does not consider the area</p>	<p>The Council will work in partnership with the Water Authority, Environment Agency, Essex County Council (Lead Local Flood Authority and SuDS Approval Body) and other relevant flood risk management authorities to ensure that flood risk within the Borough is effectively managed.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure</p>

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	<p>2572, 2573, 2574, 2575, 2576, 2577, 2578, 2579, 2580, 2581, 2582, 2583, 2584, 2585, 2586, 2587, 2588, 2589, 2590, 2591, 2592, 2593, 2594, 2595, 2596, 2597, 2598, 2599, 2600, 2601, 2602, 2603, 2604, 2605, 2606, 2607, 2608, 2609, 2610, 2611, 2612, 2613, 2614, 2615, 2616, 2617, 2618, 2619, 2620, 2621, 2622, 2623, 2624, 2625, 2626, 2627, 2628, 2629, 2630, 2631, 2632, 2633, 2634, 2635, 2636, 2637, 2638, 2639, 2640, 2641, 2642, 2643, 2644, 2645, 2646, 2647, 2648, 2649, 2650, 2651, 2652, 2653, 2654, 2655, 2656, 2657, 2658, 2659, 2660, 2661, 2664, 2665, 2666, 2667, 2669, 2670, 2671, 2672, 2673, 2674, 2675, 2677, 2680, 2682, 4083, 4205,</p>	<p>appropriate for large scale development.</p> <p>PADC11 is made up of the Green Belt Areas of 38 and 39, which are considered by the Green Belt Study to be Tier 1 (most development potential) and Tier 2 respectively.</p> <p>Notwithstanding the results of the Green Belt Study, the most appropriate locations for development have been determined through application of the communal result of all documents contributing to the Council's Local Plan evidence base.</p> <p>The Council have had regard to the Basildon Borough Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA, 2011) and the Local Plan Flood Risk Sequential Test Report (Dec 2013) in determining its preferred option and the yields of potential development sites located in flood risk areas, and will continue to do so in any future revisions and throughout the Local Development Plan process. The SFRA, alongside the National Planning Policy Framework highlight the importance of regard to flooding in an area. Direct mention of flood risk has been indentified in Core Policy 16.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network</p>	<p>providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>

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		<p>identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	
<p>Support some growth in Wickford but not as much as is proposed</p>	<p>278, 531, 606, 998, 1421, 1579, 1850, 3023, 3203, 3208, 3318, 3504</p>	<p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed needs of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>Wickford is an appropriate location for more development than proposed</p>	<p>433, 708, 842, 1654, 1723, 4985</p>	<p>Noted. The Local Planning Authority has a statutory duty to provide for its development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed needs of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of development locations in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>

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		The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.	
All PADCS and masterplans should reference the need to provide robust wildlife corridors (protected from human disturbance)	6605	Noted.	The Council should consider how Policy CP10 can be strengthened to adequately mitigate impact to wildlife.
Projects in Basildon have received more funding, such as the Sporting Village	502, 2104	Noted. Taking a blanket principled approach that all areas should receive the same level of investment is not sustainable and against national planning policy. Investment in infrastructure should occur to mitigate development impact.	The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.
Development should be accommodated by the necessary infrastructure to a high standard and have the appropriate amount of affordable housing. This is not detailed in the Plan. And some opportunities have	425, 448, 469, 592, 650, 776, 928, 1083, 1097, 1315, 1364, 1375, 1393, 1421, 1490, 1552, 2119, 2271, 2324, 2703, 2746, 2940, 3173, 3297, 3299, 3724, 4894, 5404, 5226, 6507, 6541, 8971	The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the	Continue to monitor and viability test the amount of affordable housing that should be provided in the Borough to meet requirements. Update the Infrastructure

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<p>been missed.</p>		<p>development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development.</p> <p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council have prepared a Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) with four other authorities in the Thames Gateway area to determine the appropriate amount of affordable homes that will meet the Borough's and Thames Gateway requirements. The SHMA sets out that the Borough should provide 36% affordable housing. This is the requirement set out in Core Policy 3.</p> <p>This is an increase from the previous Council's affordable housing requirement of 30% set out in the 2008 Interim Planning Obligations Strategy.</p>	<p>Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p>

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		<p>The Council have also tested three levels of affordable housing; 30%, 35% and 40% in their Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (now called the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment, in line with national policy). The testing of different levels of affordable housing allows the Council to determine how affordable housing affects the viability of the development. The higher the amount of affordable housing, the fewer sites are viable.</p> <p>In addition, the Council is proposing to introduce a new 'deferred contribution' clause into the planning policy which will see viability tested twice (at the time of application and once a development has been built), to ensure the Borough does not lose out of possible affordable housing contributions in the event that the market improves.</p>	
Gypsy and Traveller should return to Dale Farm to help meet housing need	692	<p>Planning consultants working on behalf of the Council have completed a comprehensive Gypsy & Traveller Local Needs Accommodation Assessment, which has determined the number of pitches needed to be allocated throughout the plan period. The Council has subsequently commissioned a Gypsy & Traveller Site Survey Assessment to determine the most sustainable locations for these pitches and this document will be published as part of the Council's production of a Local Plan.</p>	Complete Gypsy & Traveller Site Survey Assessment.
Runwell Hospital	810, 1137, 1322, 6017, 8971	This is a development in neighbouring Chelmsford City,	The Council will work with

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<p>development in Chelmsford will impact infrastructure in Wickford and is not taken account in the Local Plan.</p>		<p>for which upgrades to local roads and health facilities in the Basildon Borough has been secured as part of a s.106 agreement.</p> <p>The Council has prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. In preparing the study, the Council has worked with a number of infrastructure providers to understand the current position within the Borough and what further infrastructure requirements will be needed to support additional growth. Each of the infrastructure providers have taken into consideration growth within the Borough and outside to provide an accurate picture of what the future needs will be. This document is available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p>	<p>relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>

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		<p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment. The Highway Impact Assessment has taken consideration of the Runwell Hospital development as part of the 'background growth' that is factored into the transport model. Further work to determine what solutions to the road network are required to mitigate this impact will also include the potential impact of the Runwell Hospital development and other development proposals outside of the Borough boundary.</p>	
<p>More development could go on the Runwell Hospital site</p>	<p>656</p>	<p>Noted. The Runwell Hospital site is located within the boundary of Chelmsford City Council. Therefore, if any further development were to take place in this area, it would not contribute to the objectively assessed needs of the Basildon Borough. As such, additional development sites would still need to be found within the Basildon Borough as Runwell Hospital cannot be considered as an alternative. The only alternative would be a comprehensive development around Runwell Hospital that covered an area on either side of the Borough boundary so that other proposed development</p>	<p>Continue to work with Chelmsford City Council on cross boundary issues under the Duty to Cooperate.</p>

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		<p>sites within the Basildon Borough could be relocated to this area. Basildon Borough Council has insufficient evidence to suggest that this would be a deliverable option within the plan period.</p>	
<p>The Essex Highway Report does not model the 2,800 homes in Wickford and therefore needs revising. It also does not assess the impact on areas outside of the Borough.</p>	<p>350, 1711, 6553</p>	<p>The Basildon Borough Local Plan Highway Impact Assessment was commissioned to provide an assessment of the impact of two Local Plan development options of 16,000 and 22,700 households and associated employment development on the highway network in the Basildon Borough up to the year 2031. In fact, scenarios in excess of 2,800 homes in Wickford have been modelled as part of this assessment. It is appreciated that the Report only breaks down the number of additional SHLAA sites that are to be included within each scenario, but the report does make it clear that RLA (committed sites), town centres, and plotland infill also contribute to the modelled scenarios. For example Option A, Spatial Configuration 1 includes 2,134 households from SHLAA development sites, but this is in addition to RLA (committed sites) and town centre development. Wickford has already achieved 800 dwellings through committed sites since the start of the plan period in 2011, and these figures form part of the background growth element of the transport modelling assessment. The report also states that a number of SHLAA and RLA sites include developments which have few households and would therefore be unlikely to generate a significant amount of traffic. In order to focus on the</p>	<p>Complete a Highway Mitigation Modelling Assessment to support the production of the Council's Local Plan.</p> <p>Continue to work with neighbouring authorities under the Duty to Cooperate to identify cross boundary issues and potential areas for joint working.</p>

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		<p>sites more likely to have an impact on the road network and as a means of simplifying the modelling process, only sites larger than 30 dwellings were included at the initial modelling stage. However, the report highlights that the number of houses arising from sites of less than 30 units has been factored into the modelling process at a later stage. The effect of these was captured by a TEMPro growth factor of 1.0098 applied to internally generated trips.</p> <p>Basildon Borough Council in partnership with Essex County Council has commissioned Essex Highways to carry out mitigation modelling on the highway impact of potential development sites to determine whether or not the level of development proposed can be successfully accommodated.</p> <p>Therefore, the impact of development outside of the Borough boundary will be entirely dependent on the results of the mitigation modelling as potential development sites may need to be relocated if development cannot be successfully accommodated without causing unacceptable impact on the highway network. As such, phase 2 of the mitigation modelling will incorporate cross boundary issues and determine where additional modelling of the road network outside the borough will need to take place.</p>	
Green Belt Area 40 should be considered before Area 37	1711	Noted. Neither Green Belt Areas 37 nor 40 are being considered for strategic level development. Area 37,	Revisions will be made as appropriate to the Local Plan

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(PADC11)		<p>south of London Road has been identified for protection in the Green Belt Study due to its historic character, landscape quality and scenic function. Area 40 is considered to have a small amount of development potential, but is only considered to be Tier 3 (least development potential) and should be a focus for environmental and recreational enhancement.</p> <p>PADC11 is made up of the Green Belt Areas of 38 and 39, which are considered by the Green Belt Study to be Tier 1 (most development potential) and Tier 2 respectively.</p> <p>Notwithstanding the results of the Green Belt Study, the most appropriate locations for development have been determined through application of the communal result of all documents contributing to the Council's Local Plan evidence base.</p>	evidence base as work progresses to pre-submission stage.
Growth is not proportionate in line with Core Policy 1	6028	<p>Core Policy 1 – Settlement Housing Distribution, states that the Council will distribute a proportionate amount of growth to the main towns in line with the Settlement Hierarchy. This means that a similar proportion of housing will be distributed to each settlement depending on the size of the original settlement area. For example, 2011 Census data relating to the total number of households contained in the different wards for each of the three largest settlements show approximately 12,541 households in Billericay, 12,825 in Wickford and 44,776 in Basildon. Therefore, the</p>	Consider wording changes to Core Policy 1 to provide more clarity as to the ideology behind the spatial distribution of development within the Local Plan Core Strategy.

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		<p>proposed allocation in Core Policy 1 of 2,500 in Billericay, 2,800 in Wickford and 10,125 in Basildon represents an increase of between 20–23% for each of these settlements.</p>	
<p>The growth will impact upon the wildlife, agricultural land, historic, flooding and the environment</p>	<p>2724, 2869</p>	<p>The Council must also in line with Section 19 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires local planning authorities to carry out a ‘sustainability appraisal’ of the proposals in a Local Plans during its preparation. This overlaps with some of the requirements in the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, which gives effect to European Union Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of effect of certain plans and programmes on the environment’. Therefore, the Council must legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan.</p> <p>The Council have had regard to the Basildon Borough Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA, 2011) and the Local Plan Flood Risk Sequential Test Report (Dec 2013) in determining its preferred option and the yields of potential development sites located in flood risk areas, and will continue to do so in any future revisions and throughout the Local Development Plan process. The SFRA, alongside the National Planning Policy Framework highlight the importance of regard to flooding in an area. Direct mention of flood risk has been identified in Core Policy 16.</p>	<p>Continue to legally appraise the sustainability and environmental effects of proposals in the Local Plan. The Council will continue to work in partnership with the Water Authority, Environment Agency, Essex County Council (Lead Local Flood Authority and SuDS Approval Body) and other relevant flood risk management authorities to ensure that flood risk within the Borough is effectively managed.</p>
<p>Core Strategy does not identify specific available and suitable sites for Wickford. This is an unsound approach and does not provide the</p>	<p>2364, 3750</p>	<p>Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014.</p>	<p>Review the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment on an annual basis and review the use of sites in the Residential Land</p>

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detail necessary		<p>The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.</p> <p>The HELAA and the Residential Land Assessment is taken into used to inform the five year land supply, years 6-10 and years 15+ to ensure deliverable sites are put forward over the plan period</p>	Assessment.
Development already along London Road should be removed from the Green Belt	6051	<p>Noted. This comment refers to an individual property which lies in the Green Belt adjacent to a small ribbon of development to the west of Wickford that is considered to be part of the urban settlement. It also refers to a fairly substantial plot of land to the rear of the property, which also lies within the Green Belt.</p> <p>The majority of properties that make up the ribbon developments to the west of Wickford are already located within the Wickford urban settlement boundary. The Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options identifies PADC11 – West Wickford Urban extension as a potential strategic development site located to the north of London Road. The area to the south of London</p>	Use the Council’s evidence base to inform the most sustainable areas for potential development and allocate them to meet the Borough’s housing need through the Local Plan process.

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		<p>Road, where this site is located has been identified as an area for protection in the Basildon Green Belt Study and is not considered appropriate for strategic level development. However, a number of minor amendments to the Green Belt will also be made as part of the Council's production of a Local Development Plan and the comments are noted.</p>	
<p>Need for more retail and employment opportunities in Wickford</p>	<p>187, 1172, 1469</p>	<p>Noted. The Council's Update to Retail Sector Capacity has identified a significant amount of retail floorspace need for the town centre but, given the town's geographical location, it would benefit from a larger provision to meet its own needs and to act as a genuine alternative to larger centres in close proximity. The study recommends that care needs to be taken to ensure that it does not, however, grow beyond its position in the local retail hierarchy which is appropriate for the size of settlement.</p> <p>The Core Strategy Revised Preferred Options identifies a number of Policy Areas for Development and Change (PADC) that are applicable for employment opportunities. The Employment Land & Premises Study references the fact that these will include regeneration of Basildon town centre and other key centres, including Wickford, Laindon and Pitsea that will provide employment opportunities. In addition, there will be B-class use intensification of the Enterprise Parks Corridor (A127) and new B-class development in Dunton North and B-class use intensification of the Radford Way</p>	<p>The Council will carry out an update to its Retail Capacity Study, which will provide an assessment of existing retail facilities in the Borough, the future needs for additional retail facilities and the capacity for Basildon's centres to meet demand through identification of sites.</p>

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Is some of the development proposed outside the Borough?	4963	<p>Employment Area.</p> <p>No. The remit of the Local Plan Core Strategy concerns the Basildon Borough only and the Council is required by the NPPF to meet its Objectively Assessed Needs within its own boundary.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities change.</p>	Complete the Evidence Base which supports the Local Plan to determine whether there are any major constraints to the provision of the Borough's objectively assessed needs within its own administrative boundary.
Secure by Design and Park Mark are both recommended to prevent crime and should be mentioned in policies	406	Noted. Core Policy 13: Design and Environment sets out criteria for design principles, including solutions that would create safe environment. The Council will consider developing this further in the next version of the Local Plan.	Consider including Secure by Design and Park Mark in the next version of the Local Plan
Unspecified	132, 369, 518, 547, 558, 854, 891, 1193, 1215, 1302, 1459, 1500, 1527, 1562, 1598, 1611, 1618, 1685, 1969, 1995, 2027, 2041, 2072, 2075, 2187, 2310, 2331, 2349, 2713, 2765, 2835, 2952, 2976, 3100, 3134, 3192, 3244, 3465, 3587, 3610, 3696, 4293, 4442, 4547, 4677, 5210, 5162, 5182, 5428, 5650, 5715, 6006, 6040, 6141, 6160, 6202, 6295, 6306, 6645	Noted.	N/A

Question 5 – Do you agree with the approach for Billericay to grow? Please give reasons why.

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Agree with the approach to Billericay	5, 37, 45, 52, 70, 84, 165, 174, 180, 188, 240, 297, 369, 377, 407, 449, 537, 625, 640, 748, 931, 943, 1095, 1316, 1340, 1416, 1442, 1491, 1585, 1671, 1699, 1800, 2311, 2704, 2934, 2997, 3401, 3771, 3834, 3864, 3874, 4375, 4583, 4698, 5418, 5441, 5651, 6007, 6161, 6578	Noted.	N/A
Accept that growth is needed but do not agree with the approach	521, 607, 674, 1122, 1434, 1553, 1628, 2049, 2916, 2832, 3015, 3319, 4360, 4570, 4641, 4896, 4972, 5153, 5163, 5604	<p>Noted. The Government’s National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF’s Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and East of England Econometric Forecast Model, that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area as a whole.</p> <p>The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised provision.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities changing.</p>	
The Sustainability Appraisal supports the preferred option when assessed against reasonable alternatives	5235	Noted.	N/A
The distribution of growth should not be proportionate	770, 1764, 2964, 3655, 6029	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
The number of houses proposed is too low when	979, 5105	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2A in light of

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<p>considering the evidence</p>		<p>Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>The Housing Growth Topic Paper sets out that the development need for the Borough, in line with the NPPF, should be in the region of 800 to accommodate a growing labour force. This also includes any backlog and growth from London, which the Borough has a requirement to provide for in accordance with national policy. The Spatial Topic Paper, in line with the Employment Land and Premises Study describes how 49ha of employment land is required in order to serve and maintain the economic position of the Borough. This would provide around 8,500 jobs which is the middle of both the Experian and East of England Econometric Forecast Model, that suggest a need for 35,000 jobs within the Thames Gateway Area as a whole.</p> <p>The Gypsy and Traveller need is set out in the Gypsy and Traveller Local Need Accommodation Assessment, which requires the Borough to provide 240 pitches. This provision includes the natural growth of the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough, as well as addressing unauthorised</p>	<p>merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>provision.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities changing.</p>	
Preferred Previous Option A	3055	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that LPAs should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth. The NPPF was published when the Council were out for consultation on the previous strategy. The consultation on the previous strategy and the publication of the NPPF and the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014 reinforces that the previous strategy would be found unsound as the Council must meet its development needs.</p> <p>Development needs are based on population forecasts and economic forecasts rather than land capacity, which the previous strategy was based on. If the Council had pursued with the previous strategy, it is highly likely that it would have submitted the document to the Planning Inspectorate to be told that it was not compliant with national policy and to</p>	N/A

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		review it.	
Disagree with the approach for Billerica to grow	11, 19, 223, 279, 432, 496, 503, 520, 616, 710, 711, 782, 793, 801, 999, 1094, 1111, 1184, 1232, 1303, 1501, 1512, 1521, 1533, 1568, 1693, 1771, 1806, 1848, 2024, 2105, 2200, 2209, 2251, 2953, 3008, 3024, 3055, 3193, 3278, 3289, 3354, 3374, 3549, 3621, 3629, 3719, 4008, 4025, 4043, 4055, 4078, 4081, 4161, 4256, 4812, 4823, 4825, 4955, 5157, 5988, 6262, 6390, 6407, 6423, 6451, 6508, 6762, 7716	Noted.	Review appropriateness of areas in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.
Disagree with PADC13	455, 607, 737, 827, 873, 878, 881, 882, 885, 890, 913, 947, 1049, 1077, 1092, 1105, 1128, 1152, 1208, 1251, 1270, 1556, 1634, 1660, 1662, 1669, 1935, 1937, 1943, 1946, 1957, 1962, 1968, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1981, 1985, 1989, 1991, 2050, 2087, 2170, 2171, 2174, 2181, 2197, 2206, 2214, 2217, 2219, 2223, 2225, 2228, 2231, 2233, 2236, 2241, 2243, 2247, 2250, 2253, 2255, 2256, 2287, 2291, 2293, 2298, 2302, 2305, 2326, 2339, 2341, 2343, 2345, 2360, 2380, 2382, 2384, 2386, 2388, 2389, 2392, 2394, 2396, 2399, 2401, 2402, 2405, 2408, 2411, 2413, 2415, 2417, 2419, 2421, 2423, 2425, 2427, 2429, 2431, 2433, 2435, 2437, 2438, 2442, 2444, 2446, 2448, 2450, 2452, 2454, 2456, 2458, 2460,	Noted.	Review appropriateness of areas in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.

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Disagree with PADC14	75, 393, 607, 671, 769, 827, 873, 878, 881, 882, 885, 890, 947, 1049, 1077, 1092, 1105, 1128, 1152, 1208, 1251, 1270, 1547, 1556, 1574, 1634, 1660, 1662, 1669, 1741, 1872, 1935, 1937, 1943, 1946, 1957, 1962, 1968, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1981, 1985, 1989, 1991, 1998, 2050, 2087, 2170, 2171, 2174, 2181, 2197, 2206, 2214, 2217, 2219, 2223, 2225, 2228, 2231, 2233, 2236, 2241, 2243, 2247, 2250, 2253, 2255, 2256, 2287, 2291, 2293, 2298, 2302, 2305, 2326, 2339, 2341, 2343, 2345, 2360, 2380, 2382, 2384, 2386, 2388, 2389, 2392, 2394, 2396, 2399, 2401, 2402, 2405, 2408, 2411, 2413, 2415, 2417, 2419, 2421,	Noted.	Review appropriateness of areas in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.

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Agree with PADC15	415, 2226, 2977, 3471	Noted.	N/A
Disagree with PADC15	27, 678, 807, 814, 1012, 1098, 1138, 1152, 1191, 1208, 1251, 1619, 1634, 1786, 1792, 1902, 1998, 2030, 2066, 2273, 2733, 3174, 3611, 3633, 3944, 4011, 4017, 4076, 4206, 4407, 4416, 4420, 4422, 4423, 4428, 4429, 4430, 4431, 4432, 4433, 4435, 4438, 4439, 4446, 4447, 4448, 4449, 4450, 4451, 4452, 4453, 4454, 4455, 4493, 4494, 4495, 4499,	Noted.	Review appropriateness of areas in light of merits of counter proposals and new/ updated evidence.

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Sites have not been identified in PAD15 and its deliverability and soundness is questionable	331, 426, 657, 807, 899, 1852, 1884, 1996, 2150, 2188, 2226, 2257, 2365, 3588, 3792, 3949, 4823, 5213, 5405, 5687, 5955, 6018, 6041, 6296, 6307, 6591, 6623	<p>Noted. The Council prepares a Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA). This was previously called the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but has changed due to the publication of the Planning Practice Guidance in 2014. The HELAA assesses sites for their suitability for development. The HELAA includes sites, which have been found suitable. These sites have to be found available, which means the landowner is known and have to be viable. Sites that are not suitable, available or viable can not be considered to meet the development needs in the Borough, inline with the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Council undertakes a review of the HELAA every year to determine if any circumstances have changed.</p> <p>The HELAA and the Residential Land Assessment is taken into used to inform the five year land supply, years 6-10 and years 15+ to ensure deliverable sites are put forward over the plan period.</p>	Review the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment on an annual basis and review the use of sites in the Residential Land Assessment.
If 1,400 houses can not be	3256, 3949, 6500	If any of the 1400 houses cannot be accommodated	N/A

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accommodated within PADDC15, where will they go?		in PADDC15, they will need to be redistributed to elsewhere in Billericay, or the Borough	
Has the Council considered sites other than those identified as PADDCs?	4098, 4988	<p>Yes. The Council used the 73 Green Belt areas identified through the Green Belt Study 2013 to determine the strategic boundaries of the Borough's initial broad locations. These were then applied against the spatial findings from the Borough's various aspects of its evidence base. This resulted in 26 areas being identified as possible locations to accommodate development needs – which were then subject to further evaluation by the Council, as well as independently by sustainability advisors Land Use Consultants (LUC).</p> <p>For further information see the Spatial Options Topic Paper – Dec 2013.</p>	N/A
Billericay's infrastructure (schools, health care, roads, high street, parking and utilities) is unable to cope currently and could not cope with more development	11, 75, 102, 115, 195, 214, 217, 251, 267, 286, 311, 314, 345, 363, 389, 432, 436, 455, 479, 487, 498, 548, 559, 573, 589, 591, 607, 616, 620, 631, 651, 671, 674, 678, 685, 695, 711, 721, 736, 737, 738, 767, 769, 778, 794, 807, 814, 819, 827, 829, 866, 873, 878, 881, 882, 885, 890, 892, 897, 899, 906, 913, 920, 938, 947, 960, 974, 992, 999, 1008, 1020, 1022, 1047, 1049, 1065, 1075, 1077, 1079, 1090, 1092, 1096, 1105, 1128, 1133, 1138, 1151, 1152, 1191, 1201, 1208, 1216, 1250, 1251,	Noted. The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred. Therefore, in accordance with national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.	<p>The Council must continue to engage with infrastructure providers to identify what infrastructure is required to support the Borough's proposed growth, when it is needed by and how much it is forecast to cost.</p> <p>Revisions will be made as appropriate to the Local Plan evidence base as work</p>

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	<p>1262, 1270, 1277, 1303, 1330, 1336, 1354, 1356, 1365, 1371, 1388, 1407, 1451, 1460, 1470, 1486, 1491, 1530, 1547, 1548, 1556, 1568, 1574, 1580, 1624, 1640, 1660, 1662, 1669, 1680, 1693, 1712, 1727, 1731, 1741, 1742, 1764, 1765, 1767, 1771, 1772, 1780, 1781, 1792, 1806, 1817, 1825, 1831, 1833, 1852, 1862, 1871, 1872, 1875, 1897, 1917, 1930, 1935, 1937, 1943, 1946, 1957, 1962, 1968, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1981, 1985, 1989, 1991, 1998, 2024, 2030, 2042, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2074, 2082, 2094, 2098, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2113, 2136, 2142, 2150, 2160, 2168, 2170, 2171, 2174, 2181, 2197, 2200, 2206, 2209, 2214, 2217, 2219, 2223, 2225, 2228, 2231, 2233, 2234, 2236, 2241, 2243, 2247, 2250, 2251, 2253, 2255, 2256, 2272, 2273, 2282, 2287, 2291, 2293, 2294, 2298, 2302, 2305, 2306, 2323, 2326, 2339, 2341, 2343, 2345, 2360, 2380, 2382, 2384, 2386, 2388, 2389, 2392, 2394, 2396, 2399, 2401, 2402, 2405, 2408, 2411, 2413, 2415, 2417, 2419, 2421, 2423, 2425, 2427, 2429, 2431, 2433, 2435, 2437, 2438, 2442, 2444, 2446, 2448, 2450, 2452, 2454, 2456, 2458, 2460, 2462, 2464, 2466, 2468, 2470, 2663, 2676, 2679, 2683, 2685, 2687, 2689, 2714, 2725, 2733, 2736, 2747, 2755, 2761, 2774, 2779,</p>	<p>As part of this commitment, the Council plans to introduce a new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to ensure new development helps contribute towards the costs of infrastructure investment.</p> <p>Basildon Borough Council in partnership with Essex County Council has commissioned Essex Highways to carry out mitigation modelling on the highway impact of potential development sites to determine whether or not the level of development proposed can be successfully accommodated.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p> <p>The Council will however keep this situation under review in the development of the Local Plan in the event any evidence or priorities</p>	<p>progresses to pre-submission stage.</p>

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Do not agree with building on Billerica's Green Belt as it's contrary to planning policy	14, 102, 143, 152, 214, 314, 345, 393, 436, 498, 521, 573, 589, 599, 620, 631, 685, 710, 721, 769, 807, 827, 829, 873, 878, 881, 882, 885, 890, 913, 920, 947, 950, 960, 1029, 1040, 1049, 1075, 1077, 1092, 1105, 1128, 1138, 1184, 1201, 1216, 1223, 1262, 1270, 1277, 1295, 1331, 1344, 1356, 1371, 1388, 1423, 1434, 1460, 1470, 1501, 1530, 1547, 1548, 1563, 1590, 1599, 1634, 1660, 1612, 1662, 1669, 1731, 1741, 1742, 1764, 1765, 1767, 1772, 1780, 1781, 1817, 1825, 1831, 1837, 1852, 1862, 1871, 1872, 1875, 1906, 1917, 1935, 1937, 1943, 1946, 1957, 1962, 1968, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1981, 1985, 1989, 1991, 2030, 2042, 2048, 2082, 2098, 2110, 2111, 2120, 2136, 2142, 2150, 2170, 2171, 2174, 2181, 2197, 2206, 2214, 2217, 2219, 2223, 2225, 2228, 2231, 2233, 2236, 2241, 2243, 2247, 2250, 2253, 2255, 2256, 2257, 2282, 2287, 2291, 2293, 2298, 2302, 2305, 2326, 2339, 2341, 2343, 2345, 2360, 2380, 2382, 2384, 2386, 2388, 2389, 2392, 2394, 2396, 2399, 2401, 2402, 2405, 2408, 2411, 2413, 2415, 2417, 2419, 2421, 2423, 2425, 2427, 2429, 2431, 2433, 2435, 2437, 2438, 2442, 2444, 2446, 2448, 2450, 2452, 2454, 2456, 2458, 2460, 2462, 2464, 2466, 2468, 2470, 2663, 2676, 2679, 2683, 2685, 2687, 2689, 2694,	<p>Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>In accordance with national planning policy, the LPA must consider whether its Green Belt boundaries need to be adjusted through the review of the Local Plan in order to allocate enough land to meet those needs.</p> <p>The Council have carried out a Green Belt review and identified the most appropriate locations for development so that the areas of highest Green belt value can be protected and defensible in the long term.</p>	N/A

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The Council should utilise the brownfield sites first	123, 807, 769, 1419, 1767, 1771, 2048, 3080, 3581, 3629, 3881, 4104, 4161, 4407, 4414, 4522, 4524, 4529, 4531, 4537, 4566, 4779, 4825, 4980, 5126, 5170, 5275, 5996, 6390, 7734	Noted. The Council agrees with this opinion, which is why the 6,900 homes estimated to come from the urban area will maximise brownfield sites considered to be suitable, available and achievable for development. Brownfield sites constitute approximately 37% of this total urban capacity.	Consider whether a specific policy should include more detailed guidance on brownfield sites and their expected contribution to development delivery in the Borough.
Billericay's wildlife would be destroyed	14, 393, 498, 827, 873, 878, 881, 882, 885, 890, 899, 920, 947, 1029, 1049, 1075, 1077, 1084, 1092, 1105, 1128, 1270, 1388, 1660, 1662, 1669, 1771, 1772, 1786, 1852, 1935, 1937, 1943, 1946, 1957, 1962, 1968, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1981, 1985, 1989, 1991, 2048, 2098,	Noted. The location and selection of all Borough PADCs has taken into account any sites protected for their wildlife interest. In respects of Billericay's PADCs, PADC13 and 14 state that opportunities to increase connectivity of new	Ensure PADCs continue to require the development to retain wildlife areas/ habitats of merit, integrated and enhanced into any future

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The proposals will increase	214, 591, 631, 769, 827, 873, 878, 881, 882, 885, 890, 947, 1049, 1077, 1084, 1092, 1098,	Noted. The Council undertook joint studies with Essex County Council, Rochford District and Castle Point	The Council will work in partnership with the Water

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flooding issues	1105, 1128, 1216, 1270, 1388, 1556, 1574, 1660, 1662, 1669, 1741, 1764, 1817, 1871, 1875, 1884, 1935, 1937, 1943, 1946, 1957, 1962, 1968, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1981, 1985, 1989, 1991, 1998, 2082, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2136, 2142, 2170, 2171, 2174, 2181, 2197, 2206, 2214, 2217, 2219, 2223, 2225, 2228, 2231, 2233, 2234, 2236, 2241, 2243, 2247, 2250, 2253, 2255, 2256, 2273, 2287, 2293, 2298, 2302, 2305, 2326, 2339, 2341, 2343, 2345, 2360, 2380, 2382, 2384, 2386, 2388, 2389, 2392, 2394, 2396, 2399, 2401, 2402, 2405, 2408, 2411, 2413, 2415, 2417, 2419, 2421, 2423, 2425, 2427, 2429, 2431, 2433, 2435, 2437, 2438, 2442, 2444, 2446, 2448, 2450, 2452, 2454, 2456, 2458, 2460, 2462, 2464, 2466, 2468, 2470, 2663, 2676, 2679, 2683, 2685, 2687, 2689, 2694, 2761, 2773, 2945, 2964, 3038, 3073, 3109, 3114, 3165, 3167, 3171, 3174, 3372, 3505, 3537, 3567, 3599, 3602, 3615, 3715, 3880, 4011, 4017, 4063, 4151, 4138, 4198, 4361, 4382, 4458, 4474, 4592, 4641, 4714, 4735, 4921, 5050, 5061, 5069, 5081, 5087, 5093, 5095, 5111, 5153, 5156, 5157, 5195, 5197, 5199, 5201, 5203, 5205, 5207, 5209, 5212, 5216, 5218, 5221, 5223, 5228, 5230, 5233, 5237, 5241, 5243, 5253, 5255, 5257, 5260, 5262,	<p>Borough Councils, with the technical support of the Environment Agency, Essex and Suffolk Water and Anglian Water examining Strategic Flood Risk and Surface Water Management in these areas in accordance with national policy and the Flood and Water Management Act 2010.</p> <p>In addition, as part of the preparation of the Revised Preferred Options the Council undertook a Flood Risk Sequential Test examining every PADC.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred.</p> <p>Therefore, in accordance with national policy, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p>	<p>Authority, Environment Agency, Essex County Council (Lead Local Flood Authority and SuDS Approval Body) and other relevant flood risk management authorities to ensure that flood risk within the Borough is effectively managed.</p> <p>The Council will work with relevant infrastructure providers such as the Education Authority, NHS Care Commissioning Group, UK Power Networks etc to determine the infrastructure requirements of the proposed development, and identify the cost and viability of such provision.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>

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	5264, 5266, 5268, 5270, 5272, 5274, 5277, 5279, 5282, 5284, 5286, 5288, 5290, 5292, 5295, 5297, 5299, 5301, 5357, 5413, 6032, 6552, 6636, 8972		
Smaller plots should be considered for housing as it will not impact on the infrastructure	2503, 4066, 4069, 5441	Noted. The Core Strategy already assumes that at least 415 units will come from minor amendments to the Green Belt boundary on sites providing 99 units or less, together with a further 375 units from the development of vacant plots in the Borough's Plotlands.	N/A
Other parts of the country should be developed	1223, 1486, 3688, 3920, 6508	<p>The Census 2011 shows that the population is increasing. There are more births than deaths as people are living longer. All Local Planning Authorities have a statutory duty to provide for their development needs. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained. Development can provide benefits, such as additional service and road improvements to the existing communities.</p> <p>Development and regeneration is happening all over the Country and is national requirement for all areas to provide for growth. The Borough has a</p>	The Council will continue to review population projections as and when they are revised in order to establish the Borough's required housing need and to progress the Local Plan so that sufficient land is allocated to meet that need.

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		<p>responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then under the Duty, the Council would have to ask neighbouring authorities to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011 to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	
<p>More development could go on the Runwell Hospital site</p>	<p>2056</p>	<p>Noted. The Runwell Hospital site is located within the boundary of Chelmsford City Council. Therefore, if any further development were to take place in this area, it would not contribute to the objectively assessed needs of the Basildon Borough. As such, additional development sites would still need to be found within the Basildon Borough as Runwell Hospital cannot be considered as an alternative. The only alternative would be a comprehensive development around Runwell Hospital that covered an area on either side of the Borough boundary so that other proposed development sites within the Basildon Borough could be relocated to this area. Basildon Borough Council has insufficient evidence to suggest that this would be a deliverable option within</p>	<p>Continue to work with Chelmsford City Council on cross boundary issues under the Duty to Cooperate.</p>

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		the plan period.	
Basildon should take most of the growth / Option 2C	92, 115, 133, 143, 152, 195, 291, 482, 801, 843, 1020, 1243, 1580, 1751, 1806, 2822, 3157, 3204, 3428, 3522, 3611, 4011, 4017, 4043, 4214	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2C in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Not enough detail	1012, 1138, 1619, 1853, 2049, 2050, 2082, 3751, 3944, 4863, 4988, 6307	Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012 and the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) to support the NPPF was published in 2014. The PPG prefers Local Planning Authorities to prepare a single Local Plan document that includes sites and development management policies. Therefore, the Council will consider providing more detail and scale of the development in the next version of the Local Plan.	Consider whether to prepare a single Local Plan.

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Quality of life will be affected	498, 685, 778, 809, 814, 913, 972, 999, 1022, 1075, 1250, 1277, 1731, 1741, 1771, 1831, 2048, 2049, 2098, 2150, 2160, 3428, 4528, 4889, 4972, 5061, 5063, 5081, 5132, 5996, 6782	<p>Noted. Quality of Life will also be affected if no development happens in the Borough. Not providing enough homes, of the right type and tenure in areas people want to live will affect the Borough's future generations; and not providing room for businesses to expand will affect the local economy. The Council has tried to strike a balance between meeting these development needs and safeguarding the most biodiversity and heritage rich areas of the Borough that people value highly.</p> <p>The Council recognises that there are infrastructure constraints both within the Borough and outside that would be put under further strain if no investment or upgrades occurred, which would negatively affect quality of life. Therefore, in accordance with national policy and the identified development needs of the Borough, the Council will use the Local Plan process to work with infrastructure providers to identify what specific upgrades are needed to infrastructure within and outside the Borough to support the development proposed in the Local Plan and secure its timely provision.</p>	N/A
Concerned about the number of Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling showpeople pitches proposed	3944, 5041	The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and	Complete Gypsy & Traveller Site Survey Assessment.

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		<p>Traveller pitches.</p> <p>Planning consultants working on behalf of the Council have completed a comprehensive Gypsy & Traveller Local Needs Accommodation Assessment, which has determined the number of pitches needed to be allocated throughout the plan period. The Council has subsequently commissioned a Gypsy & Traveller Site Survey Assessment to determine the most sustainable locations for these pitches and this document will be published as part of the Council's production of a Local Plan.</p>	
Billericay and / or Wickford can take more growth	70, 205, 441, 532, 657, 717, 925, 1655, 1724, 2052, 3725, 4986	Noted.	Review appropriateness of Spatial Option 2B in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
Billericay has less open spaces/allotments than Basildon and development will deprive Billericay of important playing fields	599, 809, 1022, 1634, 1649, 1930, 3182, 4206, 4913, 5061	<p>Noted. There is no development proposed on Billericay's open spaces or playing fields; just agricultural land.</p> <p>As Billericay is a fully parished area, allotment provision is the responsibility of Town/Village or Parish Councils, rather than the Borough Council; however the Council is proposing to introduce new open space standards as part of Core Policy CP10: Green Infrastructure which can ensure that PADCs in Billericay contribute towards the land provision of</p>	Consider wording changes in regard to allotments.

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		allotments in new developments.	
Billericay's historical assets will be destroyed / need to be considered	721, 770, 897, 1111, 1133, 1451, 1817, 2257, 2323, 3565, 3611, 3588, 3792, 4091, 4186, 4206, 4214, 4300, 4361, 4382, 4613, 4671, 4988, 5071, 5133, 5149, 5153, 5157, 6591	<p>Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) states Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should have a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. The Council recognises that the Borough has a limited</p> <p>Number of heritage assets, which need to be protected and sensitively managed for the future. There are 129 Listed Buildings, the greatest concentrations of which are in Billericay High Street. There are four Conservation Areas, all of which the Council had appraised in 2010/2011 and all now have Management Plans for the first time. There are also 3 Scheduled Monuments and over 500 archaeological records.</p> <p>Taking this context into account, the Council has considered the historical assets of Billericay and the wider Borough when preparing the Core Strategy, much of which was brought together through a Historic Environment Characterisation Assessment - undertaken in 2010, which ensures the heritage of the Borough can be interpreted on a spatial scale and inform the Borough's development.</p>	N/A
Billericay needs more employment areas and job	267, 314, 1056, 1094, 1096, 1149, 1150, 1173	Noted. It is too simplistic to assume settlements can be completely self-sufficient in job provision. For Billericay, many people commute to other areas	Review whether any PADCs in Billericay demonstrate locational merit to provide site

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pro rata		<p>outside the Borough for their employment needs (e.g. City of London/ Chelmsford) or to the strategic A127 Corridor north of Basildon.</p> <p>The Council sought to explore the potential for Billericay to accommodate new employment growth as part of its Employment Land and Premises Study 2013. Historical and strategic highway constraints however means that it has a low potential to accommodate employment growth, over and above what is possible through intensification and minor expansion of existing employment areas in Radford Way and Guildprime, and in retail and services throughout the town.</p>	contributions towards Borough employment needs.
Building to the south east of Billericay undermines the Essex Wildlife Trust's Living Landscape project (Norsey Woods and Mill Meadows)	665	<p>The Council acknowledges that PADC13 and PADC14 fall within the "Ramsden Heath and Woods" Living Landscape within Basildon Borough and Chelmsford City administrative areas defined by Essex Wildlife Trust.</p> <p>'Living Landscapes' are not recognised in the National Planning Policy Framework as areas that are afforded specific protection through the planning system, however the Council does recognise the complimentary role they could have in connecting existing and extended communities in an enhanced environmental setting.</p> <p>Norsey Woods and an area of Mill Meadows Nature</p>	N/A

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		<p>Reserve are nationally protected Special Sites of Scientific Interest (SSSI).</p> <p>The policies for PAD13 and PAD14 seek opportunities for additional green infrastructure/open space as part of development proposals, including extending, together with retention of hedgerows and woodland.</p>	
More development will increase crime rates and social problems	1930, 4081, 4249, 4729, 4948, 5028	Core Policy 13: Design and Environment sets out criteria for design principles, including solutions that would create a safer environment. The Council will consider developing this further in the next version of the Local Plan.	Consider including Secure by Design and Park Mark in the next version of the Local Plan
Residents were not consulted properly	651, 1330, 4055, 4102, 4458, 4474, 4714, 4921, 4988, 5028, 5061, 5064, 5149, 5133, 5502, 5604	Noted. Was publicised for 10 weeks in local press, on buses, train stations, in town centre based advans/bill boards, on the Council website and on local radio.	N/A
The South East is already full	1757, 5345	Noted. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) requires Local Planning Authorities (LPA) to meet their full objectively assessed need. The Borough's full objectively assessed need is for 16,000 homes, 49ha of employment land and 240 Gypsy and Traveller pitches. In line with the NPPF, the Council must demonstrate that this need can be met on sites that are ready for development. The Council has many evidence base documents that have been used in the preparation of the Local Plan to determine the most appropriate sites that will have the least	<p>Update the Infrastructure Baseline Study through the plan preparation stages</p> <p>Continue to work with partners, stakeholders and communities.</p> <p>The Council will keep under review the latest population projections and determine how</p>

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		<p>negative impact, including assessing the landscape, Green Belt, historic environment and infrastructure improvements.</p> <p>The Council has also prepared an Infrastructure Baseline Study that determines what infrastructure is required to support the development proposed in the Local Plan. All of these documents are available on the Council's website. The Infrastructure Baseline Study will be updated as the plan moves through its preparation to adoption, to ensure that the appropriate infrastructure is put in place to support development. The Council has used all this information to distribute the development in sites that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement is retained.</p> <p>Further, the Borough has a responsibility to provide for growth in line with the Government's growth agenda, which impacts on an area wider than the Borough; such as the Thames Gateway, the East of England, the South East and the UK. The Council can only control what happens in their administrative area and the Council has a legal obligation to provide for the Borough's development needs. If the Borough could not accommodate its development needs, then</p>	<p>these impact the development requirements of the Borough.</p>

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		<p>under the Duty to Co-operate, as set out in the Localism Act 2011, the Council would have to ask neighbouring authorities to assist in helping meet the Borough's need.</p>	
<p>Loss of Green Belt would mean the loss of agricultural fields used for crop production</p>	<p>2832, 2844, 3565, 4407, 4414, 4416, 4420, 4422, 4423, 4428, 4429, 4430, 4431, 4432, 4433, 4435, 4438, 4439, 4446, 4447, 4448, 4449, 4450, 4451, 4452, 4453, 4454, 4455, 4493, 4494, 4495, 4499, 4501, 4505, 4507, 4508, 4509, 4517, 4522, 4524, 4527, 4529, 4531, 4537, 4551, 4554, 4558, 4559, 4560, 4561, 4563, 4566, 4568, 4572, 4599</p>	<p>Noted. In accordance with Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) guidance and the NPPF, the Council has taken into consideration whether any land in the Borough is of Grade 1, 2 or 3a, which is defined as being "the most versatile and productive agricultural land".</p> <p>DEFRA has confirmed that none of the agricultural land in the Basildon Borough is of these grades.</p> <p>The majority of Green Belt land in the Basildon Borough is available to use as agricultural land should the landowners want to use it for this purpose; however landowners are also encouraged by Government subsidies to set aside farming land for biodiversity, environmental stewardship and recreation, which means not all of it is used for this purpose.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Building on the existing Green Belt will result in coalescence with Basildon and Wickford</p>	<p>214, 415, 2079, 2131, 2694, 3565, 4458, 4642, 4921, 5093, 5111, 5604, 6762</p>	<p>Noted. The Council's Green Belt Study and Spatial Options Topic Paper (both 2013) have evaluated the locations where the Green Belt performs a purpose of preventing coalescence and helps stop neighbouring towns/villages from merging into one</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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		<p>another.</p> <p>The areas where coalescence is less of an issue in the Borough is around Billericay, which is separated from Basildon (at Noak Bridge) by a minimum c. 2km gap of Green Belt, which would not be reduced if PADCs to the south/ south east were built out. Billericay is also separated from Ramsden Bellhouse by a c. 2km gap of Green Belt, from Crays Hill by a c. 1.9km gap of Green Belt, from Stock (Chelmsford City) by a c.1.4km gap of Green Belt, from Havering Grove (Brentwood Borough) by a 900m gap of Green Belt and a c.750m gap of Green Belt between Billericay and Little Burstead.</p> <p>In some part of the Borough, however, the Green Belt gaps are much smaller - Bowers Gifford and Thundersley are only c.500m apart and Basildon and South Wickford are separated by c.900m of Green Belt. The narrowness of the latter is why the Council feels it is appropriate to limit the capacity of PADC10: South Wickford to "...up to 760 dwellings" and why the policy includes a specific consideration that the design of any scheme must take into account "...the role the area plays in maintaining a separation between the built up areas of South Wickford and the north east of Basildon."</p>	
There are not enough jobs in Billericay to support the	972, 1817, 2160, 3581	Noted. It is too simplistic to assume settlements can be completely self-sufficient in job provision. For	Review whether any PADCs in Billericay demonstrate

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growth proposed		<p>Billericay, many people commute to other areas outside the Borough for their employment needs (e.g. City of London) or to the strategic A127 Corridor north of Basildon.</p> <p>The Council sought to explore the potential for Billericay to accommodate new employment growth as part of its Employment Land and Premises Study 2013. Historical and strategic highway constraints means that it has a low potential to accommodate employment growth, over and above what is possible in existing employment areas in Radford Way, Guildprime, and retail and services.</p>	locational merit to provide site contributions towards Borough employment needs.
Building more houses will bring more people	1530	Noted.	N/A
Building more homes will decrease the value of existing houses	14, 231, 2160, 3267, 5095	Noted, however this is not a valid planning consideration that the Council can take into account when developing its Local Plan.	N/A
Many homes across the country have planning permission to be built but have not yet been built	4416, 4420, 4422, 4423, 4428, 4429, 4430, 4431, 4432, 4433, 4435, 4438, 4439, 4446, 4447, 4448, 4449, 4450, 4451, 4452, 4453, 4454, 4455, 4493, 4494, 4495, 4499, 4501, 4505, 4507, 4508, 4509, 4517, 4527, 4551, 4554, 4558, 4559, 4560, 4561, 4563, 4568, 4572	Noted. This is often referred to as the 'planning pipeline' and needs to exist for new development to be able to be built once the market conditions are favourable. It does not however remove the Council's obligations to meet its own Objectively Assessed Needs as required by the NPPF.	N/A

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Need to build a by-pass around Billericay	297, 426, 1303, 3688	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Basildon Borough Council in partnership with Essex County Council has commissioned Essex Highways to carry out mitigation modelling on the highway impact of potential development sites to determine whether or not the level of development proposed can be successfully accommodated.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the road network identified in the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>	<p>Revisions will be made as appropriate to the Local Plan evidence base as work progresses to pre-submission stage.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>
Affordable housing will not be affordable in Billericay / there should be more affordable homes	710, 3051, 3611, 5250	<p>Noted. National planning policy requires Local Plans to identify and meet in full the Objectively Assessed Needs for market and affordable housing.</p> <p>For planning purposes, “affordable housing” is defined by the Government’s Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) as: “Social rented, affordable rented and intermediate housing provided to eligible households whose needs are not met by the market.”</p> <p>The three types are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social housing - owned by the local authorities and private registered providers. Rents informed by the national rent regime. 	N/A

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affordable rented housing - is let by local authorities or private registered providers of social housing to households who are eligible for social rented housing, but it is subject to rent controls that require rent of no more than 80% of the local market rent. • Intermediate housing - is homes for sale and rent provided at a cost above social rent, but below market levels. This includes shared ownership and shared equity, <p>The term is not used to describe homes that are available for private open sale (from a developer).</p> <p>The Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA 2013) has evaluated affordability issues across South Essex in light of the need for housing growth and in the context of the need for different affordable housing types (Shared Ownership, Intermediate Rent and Social Housing). It identifies that a target of at least 36% should be established in the Basildon Borough to provide more affordable homes from development schemes. This is an increase from the current Local Plan policy of 15-30% and has been set out in the proposed new Affordable Homes policy.</p> <p>In addition, the Council is proposing to introduce a new 'deferred contribution' clause into the planning policy which will see viability tested twice (at the time</p>	

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		of application and once a development has been built), to ensure the Borough does not lose out of possible affordable housing contributions in the event that the market improves.	
The Council should build another new town with infrastructure in place	767	<p>Noted. The Council has used evidence to distribute the development to locations that are deliverable and can meet the objectively assessed need of the Borough. The distribution of development has considered the relative size of each settlement, so that the character and identity of the settlement can be retained.</p> <p>The Spatial Options Topic Paper looked at the development of a New Town in the Borough and clearly demonstrates the Borough cannot accommodate a new settlement due to its relatively small size and the existing settlement locations.</p>	N/A
There should be a wildlife corridor from Mill Meadows to the woodland east.	6606	Noted. PAD13 and 14 include provision to retain areas of woodland to the north west. In addition, their policies require the exploration of opportunities to increase connectivity through the provision of green infrastructure from their locations to Mill Meadows and the open countryside beyond.	N/A
Unmet housing need does not outweigh the harm to the Green Belt	2098	Noted. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) should plan positively to meet the development needs of the area, with sufficient	N/A

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		<p>flexibility to adapt to rapid change. One of the NPPF's Core Planning Principles is to meet the objectively assessed need for housing, business and other development needs of an area and respond positively to wider opportunities for growth.</p> <p>In accordance with national planning policy, the LPA must consider whether its Green Belt boundaries need to be adjusted through the review of the Local Plan in order to allocate enough land to meet those needs.</p> <p>The Council have carried out a Green Belt review and identified the most appropriate locations for development so that the areas of highest Green belt value can be protected and defensible in the long term.</p>	
<p>Billericay Town Centre regeneration has been overlooked</p>	<p>3256, 3267</p>	<p>Noted. Billericay Town Centre contains the majority of the Borough's Listed Buildings and a Conservation Area. Its Conservation Area Appraisal and Conservation Area Management Plan prepared in 2010/2011 and adopted by the Council in 2012 have explored the potential areas that could be looked at for sympathetic regeneration/ redevelopment should they come forward as a development opportunity.</p> <p>The Core Strategy's policies CP12: Conserving the Historic Environment and CP8: Securing Centre Vitality have been designed to work in tandem to</p>	<p>Review potential for sympathetic development/ regeneration in Billericay Town Centre before preparing next version of the Local Plan.</p>

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		<p>manage development and historic environment considerations should any opportunities present themselves in Billericay Town Centre.</p>	
<p>Building a large amount of homes in Billericay and redirecting the residents to an area where there is sufficient convenience retail provision is unacceptable</p>	<p>972, 6041</p>	<p>Noted. The Council recognises that the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) expects local policies to recognise town centres as the heart of their communities and that they are destinations for residents and workers to access goods and services.</p> <p>The Council does not accept that it will necessarily be in the best interest for the vitality of the town centre to continually seek an increase in the level of floorspace, but it has committed to update its Retail and Leisure Capacity Study in 2014 to take into account post-recession forecasts and the more competitive and consolidated retail environment. The results of this will be used to inform further revisions to the Local Plan Core Strategy.</p>	<p>The Council must continue to update, and keep under review its Retail and Leisure Capacity Study to take into account post-recession forecasts and the more competitive and consolidated retail environment. The results of this will be used to inform further revisions to the Local Plan Core Strategy.</p>
<p>Snails Hall Farm would be a better location for development</p>	<p>1996, 2066, 2977, 4138, 4147, 5121, 5719</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of PADCs and alternatives in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>
<p>The Plan does not comply with the Billericay Town Design Statement and this has not been included as part</p>	<p>2066, 2105, 2257, 4063, 6623</p>	<p>Noted. The specific statements in the Billericay Design Statement (BDS) are too detailed for the Local Plan Core Strategy and many of its recommendations would instead be considered as part of the Site Allocations and Development Management Policies</p>	<p>Consider including wording changes and include BDS in Evidence Base where it has been used to inform strategic</p>

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of the evidence base		Local Plan at a later date.	policies.
The Council have not provided for open space within the PADCs	1645	<p>Noted. All PADC policies state the specific Green Infrastructure they are required to provide, if developed.</p> <p>In addition, Criterion B(i) Policy CP10: Green Infrastructure ensures new development will meet the Council's provision standards for formal and informal open space.</p>	N/A
Can't extend existing properties in the Green Belt so why can you build all these homes?	1201	<p>The Development Management policies to extend properties in the Green Belt will be subject to a future review, once the Core Strategy is adopted to determine whether they are still relevant and necessary; therefore they could also change from how their current limitations..</p> <p>The strategic review of the Green Belt and its boundaries is to ensure the Borough can meet its Objectively Assessed Needs for development as required by the National Planning Policy Framework.</p>	N/A
The numbers identified and tested in the SHLAA do not correspond with the number of houses identified in the Plan around Billericay	5157, 6296	<p>Noted. Billericay PADCs total <u>2,010</u> homes as set out below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PADC13 – 180 homes • PADC14 – 430 homes • PADC15 – 1,400 homes 	N/A

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		<p>Billericay’s urban area provision in Table 4.1 is: dwellings units completed – <u>200</u></p> <p>Footnote 35 explains that <u>50</u> dwellings have been provided but there are in the Green Belt.</p> <p>Core Policy 1 (E) recognises that 415 dwellings should be provided from minor amendments to the Green Belt. <u>240</u> of these will be within Billericay.</p>	
<p>Why was the alternative for PAD6 (North and East of Noak Bridge and Steeple View) found unsuitable based on highway grounds but PAD13 and 14 are considered suitable when they will affect the same highway networks?</p>	<p>3737, 6296</p>	<p>Noted. There were three alternatives to PAD5 and 6.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southern Extension, Vange • South East Extension – between Pitsea and Bowers Gifford/North Benfleet • Northern Extension – North and East of Noak Bridge and Steeple View. <p>Alternative 3 was rejected as a Preferred PAD on more than just highway grounds; set out in more detail in Section 10 of the Spatial Options Topic Paper 2013.</p> <p>Development of the broad location that it is part of poses a threat of coalescence between north Basildon and Crays Hill, and could cause adverse impact to the latter’s rural character. In addition, however the east/north of Noak Bridge broad locations were identified as being adjacent to a</p>	<p>Review appropriateness of PADs and alternatives in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.</p>

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		<p>registered reservoir (Aquatels Lake, Waterfront Walk, Basildon) listed under the Reservoir Act 1972 that does not have any mechanisms to protect land downstream in the event of the reservoir dam failing. Concern was raised by the Environment Agency in relation to this specific flood risk and therefore, considering alternatives, the evidence did not identify the site as one of the most appropriate locations for development.</p> <p>All highway matters and where they are used as justification for PADC selection will be reviewed following the completion of the Basildon Borough Highway Mitigation Modelling being undertaken for the Local Plan by Essex Highways, before the next version of the plan is published.</p>	
The evidence suggests PADC6 is better location for development than PADCs 13 and 14	3737, 5554	Noted. PADC6 has already been selected as a preferred development location in the plan.	Review appropriateness of PADCs and alternatives in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.
PADCs 13, 14 and 15 do not promote a mixture of uses.	1227	Noted. PADC13 and 14 are located within close proximity to other services, including local centres, schools and health facilities that could otherwise be expanded to accommodate growth arising from the new development. This does not however preclude any new facilities being built onsite, alongside the development, where it would be more sustainable to	Review appropriateness of PADCs and alternatives in light of merits of counter proposals and new/updated evidence.

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		<p>do so.</p> <p>All PADCs are also required to provide new open space in line with policy CP10: Green Infrastructure and the Council's Open Space and Playing Pitch Standards and Play Strategy.</p> <p>PADC15 is not defined in this level of detail as the Council has deferred its refinement until results of the highway mitigation modelling are known.</p>	
<p>Piecemeal development in Billericay does not support the approach in the Core Strategy to take economic, social and environmental considerations as a whole</p>	<p>487</p>	<p>Noted. The Council agrees that piecemeal, unplanned development is not consistent with the approach set out in the Core Strategy. However until such a time that the Core Strategy is adopted, there are no up to date local planning policies to inform development proposals.</p>	<p>Continue with preparation of Core Strategy to ensure piecemeal development opportunities are managed in the context of the whole area's development.</p>
<p>There should be a policy on how to manage Billericay Town Centre's heritage assets</p>	<p>2180</p>	<p>Noted. This is too detailed for a Core Strategy, but could be considered as part of the Local Plan Development Management policies which the Council will separately produce.</p> <p>The Council has however already reviewed the Billericay Town Centre Conservation Area and adopted a Management Plan to put in place more proactive ways of managing the town's historic core.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Billericay has always received investment</p>	<p>342</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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More bungalows should be built	1395	Noted. The Council has proposed to introduce a new Housing Mix policy as part of the Core Strategy to ensure the types of housing build reflects the Borough's changing housing needs.	N/A
Transport modelling did not model all relevant junctions and routes	4063	<p>Noted. The Basildon Borough Local Plan Highway Impact Assessment was commissioned to provide an assessment of the impact of Local Plan Spatial Options for development of 16,000 households and associated employment development on the highway network in the Basildon Borough up to the year 2031. It is appreciated that this assessment only goes into a certain amount of detail in terms of the potential impact of development on the road network and additional evidence will need to be gathered to work up required improvements that will need to accompany each proposed area for development.</p> <p>Basildon Borough Council in partnership with Essex County Council has commissioned Essex Highways to carry out mitigation modelling on the highway impact of potential development sites to determine whether or not the level of development proposed can be successfully accommodated.</p> <p>The Council will continue to work with Essex County Council as the Highways Authority to understand the transport context of the Borough, and test appropriate options to mitigate the impact to the</p>	<p>Revisions will be made as appropriate to the Local Plan evidence base as work progresses to pre-submission stage.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council and relevant service providers to identify suitable options to mitigate the impacts of growth as highlighted by the Highway Impact Assessment.</p>

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<p>Education provision in the PADCs is too high</p>	<p>5235</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The Council will work with Essex County Council to determine an appropriate level of education provision to be sought from each PADC.</p>	<p>Continue to work with Essex County Council to determine an appropriate level of education provision to be sought from each PADC.</p>
<p>Inaccuracies with SHLAA landownership</p>	<p>3537</p>	<p>Noted. When submitting sites, proposers are asked to declare whether they own the land they are submitting, and if not, who does own it. The Council writes to proposers annually to determine if these details have changed.</p> <p>Any inaccuracies brought to the Council's attention will be investigated as part of the next SHLAA annual review and corrected if found to be inaccurate.</p>	<p>Investigated alleged inaccuracies as part of the next SHLAA annual review.</p>
<p>Multi-user access should be built in to the new developments</p>	<p>6646</p>	<p>Noted. Some access matters are dealt with by the Building Regulations and not local plan policies.</p> <p>Criterion F of Core Policy 13: Design and the Built Environment seeks to ensure a high level of accessibility is created in new developments, including enabling them to be adapted as users</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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Secured by Design and Park Mark should be used in new developments	407	Noted. Core Policy 13: Design and Environment sets out criteria for design principles, including solutions that would create safe environment. The Council will consider developing this further in the next version of the Local Plan.	Consider including Secure by Design and Park Mark in the next version of the Local Plan
Comments made specifically on technical elements of the assessments and question they may not be in line with EU Directive	972	The SA report has been prepared in line with good practice guidance, notably 'A Practical Guide to the SEA Directive, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (September, 2005).' Table 1.1: Meeting the Requirements of the SEA Directive of the Main SA Report sets out where the various elements of the SEA Directive have been met. These will be met in full once the final Plan and SA/SEA Report ('the Environmental Report') are consulted on at publication stage.	Comments made specifically on technical elements of the assessments and question they may not be in line with EU Directive
Unspecified	61, 583, 856, 1158, 1194, 1686, 1951, 1970, 2332, 2350, 2372, 2766, 2803, 2836, 3101, 3125, 3298, 3304, 3466, 3568, 3716, 3872, 3912, 3986, 4548, 4680, 5429, 5445, 5455, 5456, 5457, 5458, 5459, 5460, 5461, 5742, 5828, 5866, 6052, 6142, 6203, 6616, 6787, 7059, 7568, 7664, 9145	Noted.	N/A