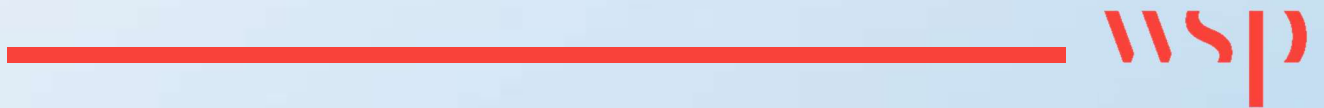


Appendix C

LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR THE SCHEME





APPENDIX C: LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR THE SCHEME

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- iii. Councillor Bryan Lovegrove: Leicestershire County Councillor, Belvoir Division
- iv. Councillor Joe Orson: Leader of Melton Borough Council
- v. Councillor Ozzy O'Shea: LCC cabinet member for Highways, Transportation and Flooding
- vi. Councillor Pam Posnett: Lead Member for Community & Staff Relations, Melton Borough Councillor, Melton East
- vii. Davidsons Developments Ltd: Southern Sustainable Neighbourhood
- viii. Morris Homes Midlands: Northern Sustainable Neighbourhoods
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- x. Samworth Brothers Supply Chain: Local Business
- xi. Taylor Wimpey: Northern and Southern Sustainable Neighbourhoods
- xii. TruFrame: Local Business



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Mr Nick Rushton
Leader
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11th October 2022

Dear Nick,

Support for LCC's Full Business Case for the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road

I am writing to express my full support for the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road (MMDR) and Leicestershire County Council's Full Business Case that is being submitted to the Department for Transport.

I wholeheartedly believe that the MMDR is essential for the continued growth and prosperity of Melton. The planned road will alleviate the serious congestion in the town that impacts on businesses and residents alike and will help Melton realise the development objectives it has set out in its ambitious bid for the Levelling Up Fund.

For forty years, the people of Melton have been asking for a bypass, and it is critical this project goes ahead for the growth of our area. The MMDR is essential to the creation and delivery of more housing, as outlined in the Melton Local Plan.

As the Member of Parliament for Rutland and Melton, investing in roads and transport has always been one of my main priorities, and I have continuously campaigned for the development of the MMDR. My campaigning on this issue reflects the overwhelming support residents have for the construction of the road, most recently evidenced by an outpouring of supportive letters following the initial remedial work that began for the MMDR back in April.

I wish you every success in the submission of the Full Business Case. Please let me know if there is anything else I can do to further the delivery of the MMDR.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alicia Kearns".

Alicia Kearns MP

Member of Parliament for Rutland and Melton

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11th October 2022

SUPPORT FOR LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE FOR THE MELTON MOWBRAY DISTRIBUTOR ROAD

Dear Sirs

Leicester & Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership (LLEP) wish to express support in relation to Leicestershire County Council's Outline Business Case to DfT for the Large Local Majors Fund Bid for the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road. There is a considerable need for additional housing in Leicestershire and specifically Melton Mowbray as a key focus of significant growth proposed as part of the draft Local Plan. The Local Plan with examination scheduled for Dec 2017, proposes the provision for over 6000 new dwellings and 31 hectares of employment land across the district as part of the Local Plan and as the main urban area in the Borough, Melton Mowbray is a key focus for growth. This planned growth within the town will be located at new developments to the north and south of the town.

Given the transformational number of homes to be delivered- the policy requires a comprehensive set of transport measures to be delivered. This includes a new 'A606 to A606' strategic road link' avoiding the existing town centre ring road. This is a key, and significant, piece of infrastructure to accelerate growth and housing delivery to the town, with over 6000 dwellings and 31 ha of employment land directly related to the provision of this infrastructure in Melton; and as stated is necessary infrastructure in both the Local Plan, and the Transport Assessment



submitted as part of the recent Outline Planning Application.

It is this active policy and scheme context that makes this a key growth and scheme priority for Leicestershire County Council, Melton Borough Council and the wider Stakeholders, emphasising both the strategic importance, and deliverability of the scheme.

To this effect, it is important to note that relevant surveys, EIA, detailed design, and potential procurement and project management/ board mechanisms for Leicester and Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership delivering the project are already in place- particularly as a result of collaboration between LCC, MBC and developers on both the Outline Planning Application and work undertaken to progress the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road adjacent to the scheme to deliver an Outline Business Case to DfF by the end of 2017.

Leicestershire County Council has an excellent track record on delivery of large and major transport schemes. In recent years these have included, Loughborough Town Centre Scheme and Leicester Park and Ride, Birstall, both of which were completed within budget and programme.

LLEP looks forward to continuing to work with LCC, to develop Melton Mowbray as a thriving economic district and market town.

Yours faithfully,



Andy Reed, OBE
LLEP Chair



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11th October 2022

To Whom It May Concern

Support for the development of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road

I am writing in support of the development of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road. Following many decades of discussion around the potential of a ring road around Melton Mowbray, we now have the green light for this much needed distributor road.

Melton Mowbray, known as the rural capital of food, developed alongside its famous cattle market and street market. However, the ancient road infrastructure can no longer cope with the ever-increasing traffic that both uses the town road network and also the main transport links that feed into the town and converge on the town centre.

There is a considerable need for additional housing and included in the local plan is the provision for an additional 6000 new homes together with over 50 hectares of new employment land and so Melton Mowbray is a key area for future growth, which will only be possible with the development of the distributor road.

The distributor road is a key and significant piece of infrastructure to accelerate growth and housing delivery to the town and is directly related to the infrastructure in Melton.

This long overdue project is essential for the future of Melton Mowbray, bringing housing, employment, reduced congestion and future prosperity to the town and the wider Borough and continue to have my full support.

Kind regards



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Date 12th October 2022

Dear Sir,

Support for Leicestershire County Council's Full Business Case for the North & East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road

Melton Borough Council wishes to express its full support in relation to Leicestershire County Council's Full Business Case to the Department for Transport (DfT) Large Local Majors Fund for the North and East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road (N&E MMDR).

Supporting the County Council to deliver the N&E MMDR is one of Melton Borough Council's key priorities within its Corporate Strategy 2020-2024. It is the key piece of infrastructure that is required to deliver the Council's adopted Local Plan (2018) which focusses significant growth in Melton Mowbray. The Plan will deliver more than 6000 homes in the Borough between 2011-2036 in addition to 51 hectares of employment land. As the main urban area within the Borough, Melton Mowbray is the key focus for growth, and is also identified as a key centre for growth and regeneration within the Leicester and Leicestershire Strategic Growth Plan 2018.

Given the transformational number of homes being delivered, the adopted policies set out a comprehensive set of transport measures that are focussed on delivery of the N&E MMDR. Specifically, policy IN1 details 'A Melton Mowbray Distributor Road (MMDR) from the A606 Nottingham Road to the A607 Leicester Road around the east of the town...'. This Full Business Case relates to the N&E MMDR which delivers two thirds of this policy requirement. The South MMDR is being delivered as part of a separate project, which has also attracted government funding support.

As detailed within the Outline Business Case (OBC), without the N&E MMDR the Local Plan would not be deliverable. The ongoing work related to the N&E MMDR project, and the stimulation of growth encouraged through the Local Plan, has ensured that Melton Borough Council is exceeding its housing delivery requirements against the Local Plan targets, and can currently demonstrate an impressive 8.4 years of housing land supply. More homes have been built in the last couple of years than at any time in the last twenty



years. Housing is being delivered now in anticipation of the build-out of the road, and we have already been successful in securing more than £4.6m towards it via S106 agreements. More than £10m of further contributions have been requested to date on planning applications that are currently being determined by the Council.

Since the submission of the OBC to DfT, in order to support the County Council to deliver the N&E MMDR, Melton Borough Council has:

- Adopted its Local Plan (2011-2036);
- Approved Masterplans for the North & South Sustainable Neighbourhoods;
- Adopted a Developer Contributions SPD setting out expectations for strategic highways contributions from development sites;
- Signed an Infrastructure Funding Agreement with the County Council to support the delivery of the South MMDR;
- Secured in excess of £4.6m developer contributions towards the road through signed Section 106 agreements.

The successful delivery of the N&E MMDR scheme will ensure that Melton Borough Council can continue to deliver the substantial housing and employment growth in accordance with its adopted Local Plan, contributing towards the wider Housing Market Area and the government's housing targets. Furthermore, it will enable the Council to continue to work closely with the County Council to fully exploit the benefits that the delivery of the N&E MMDR will bring to the town, including the reduced movements of heavy goods vehicles and cross-town traffic. The reduced congestion will also assist local businesses and allow for additional future growth in the Borough. Through the emerging Melton Mowbray Transport Strategy (MMTS), improvements will also be possible to the public realm, and enhancements to the existing road network through the town.

The scheme has full planning permission, land has been acquired and construction can begin imminently. Indeed, the scheme has the overwhelming support of the public. Melton Borough Council looks forward to continuing to work with the County Council to deliver the N&E MMDR and to ensure Melton Mowbray's future as a thriving market town and economic hub. The N&E MMDR is absolutely vital to the town's future success and is very much supported by both this Council and the residents of the Borough.

Yours faithfully,



Councillor Joe Orson
Leader - Melton Borough Council

11th October 2022

To whom it may concern

**SUPPORT FOR LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S FULL BUSINESS CASE FOR THE
NORTH AND EAST MELTON MOWBRAY DISTRIBUTOR ROAD**

I wish to express my full support for the North & East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road (NE MMDR) and Leicestershire County Council's Full Business case that is being submitted to the Department for Transport.

There is a considerable need for additional housing in Leicestershire and specifically Melton Mowbray as a key focus of significant growth as part of the Local Plan. The Local Plan proposes the provision for over 6000 new dwellings and 31 hectares of employment land across the district as part of the local plan. The main urban area in the Borough, Melton Mowbray, is a key focus of growth. This planned growth within the town will be located at new developments to the north and south of the town and which are dependent on the NE MMDR infrastructure.

Given the transformational number of homes to be delivered, the policy requires a comprehensive set of transport measures to be constructed. Key amongst this is the North & East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road which joins the A606 to A606 avoiding the existing town centre road system. The planned road will help alleviate the serious congestion in the town that impacts on businesses and residents.

The MMDR is also a key, and significant piece of infrastructure to accelerate growth and housing delivery to the town, with over 6000 dwellings and 31ha of employment land directly related to the provision of this infrastructure in Melton; and as stated is necessary infrastructure in the Local Plan.

For forty years, the people of Melton have been asking for a bypass, and it is critical this project goes ahead for the growth the local area and benefit of the local community.

Yours faithfully



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From County Councillor Pam Posnett MBE

7th October 2022

To whom it may concern

Re : NE MMDR – Full Business Case – Letter of support

I fully support the scheme as do the residents and local business. It is something that has been talked about for some 40 years and everyone had despaired of it ever happening. Having gained Government support, we began to believe it was happening.

1. It will unlock ground for future development for houses, schools and industry leading to more employment and the opportunity to attract different businesses to improve our economy. Our schools are all at almost capacity so how are we going to educate our young people in the town they live in. Our GP surgery is struggling to cope with the numbers of patients on their list and create a new GP practice. It will allow us to develop leisure opportunities.
2. Developer contributions in the future will allow us to further develop our infrastructure and contribute to the road. We have developer contributions of 14m towards the scheme, along with Government funding of 49.5m and 4m from LLEP.
3. The scheme will not only ease traffic congestion, but it will also protect our Conservation Area by stopping large lorries driving through the centre of our town. People will return to shopping in the town centre, where they can park and walk through the centre. It will also improve air quality, when you are not sitting in lines of traffic polluting the air with exhaust fumes. At present, we can get to other shopping areas, in other towns quicker, than going into Melton town.
4. Without the road our local plan will be null and void, leading to having to accept indiscriminate planning applications.

Yours faithfully



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Friday 14th October 2022

Dear Sirs

**SUPPORT FOR LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S FULL BUSINESS CASE FOR
THE MELTON MOWBRAY DISTRIBUTOR ROAD NORTH AND EAST**

Davidsons Developments Ltd is writing to express support in relation to Leicestershire County Council's Full Business Case to DfT for the Large Local Majors Fund Bid for the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road.

There is a considerable need for additional housing in Leicestershire and specifically Melton Mowbray as a key focus of significant growth proposed as part of the Council's adopted Local Plan. The Local Plan proposes the provision for over 6,000 new dwellings and 51 hectares of employment across the district. The main urban area in the Borough, Melton Mowbray, is the focus for growth. This planned growth within the town will be located at new developments to the north and south of the town. Davidsons Developments Ltd, in conjunction with local landowners, including the Melton Mowbray Town Estate, is promoting the greater part of the Melton Mowbray South Sustainable Neighbourhood, which is allocated for up to 1,700 dwelling during the current plan period. The developers have been working closely with both the county and borough councils to develop and implement a master plan together with the associated infrastructure necessary to deliver the vision for the MMSN.

Given the transformational number of homes required, the successful delivery of the Melton Local Plan requires a comprehensive set of transport measures to be delivered. This includes a new 'A606 to A606' strategic road link avoiding the existing town centre ring road. Davidsons is in discussion with the County Council and Homes England on how best to deliver the route from Burton Road to Leicester Road, the A606, using £18m of Housing Infrastructure fund grant.

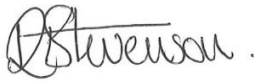
The MMDR North and East is a key, and significant, piece of infrastructure to unlock and accelerate growth and housing delivery to the town. It is this active policy and scheme context that makes this a key growth and scheme priority for Leicestershire County Council, Melton Borough Council and the wider Stakeholders, including Davidsons Developments Ltd, emphasising both the strategic importance and deliverability of the MMDRNE. Without the MMDRNE the growth potential for Melton Mowbray will not be realised.

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Davidsons Developments Ltd recognises that Leicestershire County Council has an excellent track record on delivery of large and major transport schemes. In recent years these have included, Loughborough Town Centre Scheme and Leicester Park and Ride, Birstall, both of which were completed within budget and programme. We are also working with LCC to deliver major highway improvements at Coalville in North West Leicestershire District as part of the South East Coalville Sustainable Urban Extension, New Lubbethorpe in Leicester and at Broadnook in Charnwood District, where Davidsons is also working closely with Homes England.

Davidsons Developments Ltd looks forward to continuing to work with LCC, to develop Melton Mowbray as a thriving economic district and market town.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R Stevenson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'R'.

Richard Stevenson
Land Director
Davidsons Developments Ltd



Mandeep Hayer
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Date: 12th October 2022

Dear Sirs

Re: Letter of Support for the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road Scheme – Morris Homes

Please accept this letter as an expression of support on behalf of Morris Homes' for Leicestershire County Council's full business case for the Melton Mowbray Distributor Scheme. The scheme seeks to implement a distributor road from the A606 Nottingham Road to the A607 Leicester Road around the east of Melton Mowbray. This infrastructure is considered a necessary intervention to support the planned growth as set out by Melton Borough Council's adopted local plan.

Morris are one of the country's largest and most respected independently owned house builders. Based in Cheshire, we have been helping people to buy new homes across the North West, Midlands and South of England for over 60 years. Decades of experience have earned us a reputation as a responsible and professional development partner in the regeneration of local areas, providing energy-efficient, sustainable communities which our customers are proud to call home.

Morris Homes has an interest in land at Sysonby Farm, Nottingham Road, Melton Mowbray following a successful grant of outline planning permission for 290 homes on 14th December 2020. The approval was given under council reference 18/00359/OUT with the following description of development:

"Outline planning application for demolition of all existing buildings and structures, and the erection of up to 290 Class C3 residential dwellings, local centre comprising of 200 m2 GEA for Class A1, A2, A3, A4 and A5 uses, up to 250 m2 GEA Class B1 business floorspace, Class D1

primary school, open space and associated infrastructure, with all matters reserved except access.”

The approved site location plan for the development is appended to this letter. All matters for consideration were reserved except for access. The approved access is to be formed by an arm from a new roundabout to be constructed on Nottingham Road as part of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road Scheme.

The permission is subject to a signed Section 106 agreement, whereby Morris Homes is required to provide the following contributions to deliver the approved development:

- Education contribution of £2,861,455
- Highways contribution of £2,509,370 ((£8653 per house for strategic road improvements)
- Highways Contribution of £750,000 (Bus service, total between this site and 18/00769/OUT)
- Highways Contributions of £6,000 (SCOOT Validation), £6,000 (Travel Plan Monitoring), £7,500 (relocation of speed limit), a scheme to deter rat-running on The Crescent, Construction Traffic Routing Agreement, Travel Packs and Bus Passes
- Civic Amenity Contribution of £23,971
- Libraries Contribution of £8600
- NHS (ELR CCG) contribution of £127,705.56
- Affordable Housing contribution of 15% across the site, split 80% social rented, 20% other types of affordable housing including starter homes and/or discounted purchase.
- Employment and training opportunities
- Open Space, Sport and Recreation in accordance with adopted local policy
- Contribution to the upgrading of 150 metres of paths at Melton Country Park - £25,000
- Land for the provision of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road/ protection of the land for the provision of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road

The signed Section 106 agreement prevents the approved development from being bought forward until the Melton distributor road is constructed. As set out above, the approved access for development would be formed off a new roundabout constructed on Nottingham Road as part of the Melton distributor road. If the Melton distributor road is not constructed, then the development at Sysonby Farm as approved cannot come forward; delaying the delivery of much needed homes. As such, the timely delivery of the 290 homes permitted at Sysonby Farm and all its associated benefits is dependent upon the successful delivery of the Melton distributor road.

The adopted Local Plan for Melton Borough Council (October 2018) seeks to expand and accelerate strategic housing and employment growth across the borough through to 2036, and to concentrate growth within Melton Mowbray.

Policy SS2 of the Melton Local Plan distributes significant levels of development to Melton Mowbray, with almost 4,000 dwellings and 6,000 jobs to be delivered up to 2036. Importantly, and demonstrative of Melton Mowbray's current vitality, over 3,500 dwellings associated with the Local Plan total have either already been approved or are actively being put forward by developers through the planning process. Moreover, the town has been identified as a Key Centre for Regeneration and Growth within the Leicester and Leicestershire Strategic Growth Plan (SGP), meaning it will remain a focus for growth beyond the end of the current local plan period through to 2050. Current traffic problems within the town and the associated lack of capacity to accommodate future traffic increases have become a major constraint to the town's growth.

Land at Sysonby Farm forms part of the allocated Melton North Sustainable Neighbourhood. A map of the development site in relation to the north sustainable neighbourhood is also appended to this letter. Policy SS5 of the adopted local plan allocates this sustainable neighbourhood for the delivery of 1,700 homes. A new local centre will also be delivered, mainly occupied by Class E offices. The allocation also requires delivery of the following:

- A strategic road link connecting A606 Nottingham Road to Melton Spinney Road forming part of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road as part of a wider agreed scheme;
- Securing a route that allows north/south connectivity as part of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road;
- Measures to mitigate the impact of development on the existing transport network where adverse impacts are identified;

The approved development on land at Sysonby Farm would protect land for the provision of the Melton distributor road. Through a Section 106 agreement, it would also provide a financial contribution of £2,509,370 to Leicestershire County Council for strategic highways improvements. The approved development would make a vital contribution towards securing the north/south connectivity planned for via the Melton distributor road.

The evidence base informing the policies of the adopted local plan make clear that for Melton Mowbray to grow sustainably, there is a need for strategic investment in the highway network to improve the north/south connectivity.

The transport evidence (Melton Mowbray Transport Strategy 2021) appraises options to address traffic congestion within the town and concludes that a distributor road would be the

best long-term deliverable solution. The other options that were appraised were the reclassification or re-signing of roads in and around Melton Mowbray, and a HGV routing strategy. The option for a distributor road was concluded as most likely to have the greatest positive long-term effect on traffic congestion within the town centre and offer best value for money. Furthermore reducing congestion in the town centre will have a positive impact on air quality.

Melton's Transport Strategy is underpinned by Policy IN1 of the adopted local plan. The Melton distributor road is one of the key components to be funded and delivered through the joined-up working of private developers with Melton Borough Council and Leicestershire County Council.

For the distributor road to be delivered, the land needed for it must be safeguarded from other development. Failure to overcome this constraint, through providing sufficient 'headroom' within the town's transport system to accommodate planned growth and taking steps to minimise its additional traffic impacts, would result in economic development, job creation and housing delivery across Melton Mowbray slowing or being curtailed.

Land at Sysonby Farm is included within the council's housing trajectory published in July 2022 and forms part of their ability to demonstrate a housing land supply of 8.4 years. Notwithstanding the ability to demonstrate a five-year housing land supply at the time of writing, this calculation is significantly dependent upon the delivery of the north and south sustainable neighbourhoods in Melton Mowbray. It is therefore critical that sites such as the one at Sysonby Farm are unlocked for development sooner rather than later, so that this supply can be realised and the needs of the borough can be met.

Melton Borough Council has also committed to contributing during its plan period towards Leicester City Council's unmet housing need. The apportionment of an additional 69 dwellings per annum to the borough was agreed by the council in the latest Statement of Common Ground between the Leicestershire authorities published in June 2022. It is therefore crucial that Melton remains in a position to deliver its own housing need now that it has also committed to meeting the needs of a neighbouring authority.

In summary, Morris Homes expresses its full support for Leicestershire County Council's full business case for the Melton Distributor Road Scheme. The borough's housing need is largely dependent upon the delivery of the allocated SUEs in Melton. Melton Mowbray's current transport system is ill equipped to meet existing demand, let alone the additional demand arising from the town's planned growth. Land at Sysonby Farm is allocated as part of the Melton North Sustainable Neighbourhood and has outline planning permission for 290 units. The delivery of the Melton North Sustainable Neighbourhood is critical to the delivery of the borough's identified housing need. The delivery of development at Sysonby Farm is dependent upon the construction of the Melton Distributor Road. If delivered, the approved

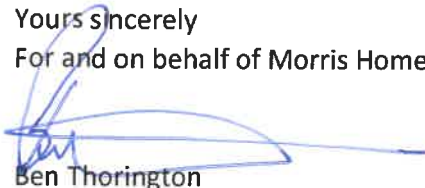
development would contribute a significant package of social, economic and environmental benefits to the local as set out below:

- 290 homes, 44 of which being affordable
- Thousands of jobs both directly and indirectly from construction of the MMDR and the housing and associated development
- Increased goods expenditure for local shops and businesses
- Open space and sustainable drainage solutions to create and maintain ecological enhancements within the site and surrounding area
- A financial contribution of circa £6.24 million towards the improvement of local education facilities, primary care facilities and strategic highways improvements.

On this basis, delivery of the Melton distributor road is fundamental to the delivery of such benefits, and it is for this reason that Morris Homes offers its full support for Leicestershire County Council's full business case.

Yours sincerely

For and on behalf of Morris Homes Midlands



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11th November 2022

Via email: Mandeep Hayer (Project
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Dear Mandeep

Re: Melton Mowbray Distributor Road Scheme

I write to you regarding the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road (MMDR) Scheme that your Council is proposing to overcome traffic congestion and enable future growth in the town, including the delivery of approximately 4,500 dwellings as part of the emerging Local Plan.

The proposed scheme is not located on the SRN and it should not have an impact on the operation or capacity of the SRN. Therefore, National Highways are supportive of the proposed scheme.

I trust the above is of assistance in supporting your Business Case and represents our commitment in collaborative working between our organisations to support the delivery of homes and jobs. If you require any further assistance on this matter, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Yours Sincerely,

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27th October 2022

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to express Samworth Brothers Supply Chain's support for the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road Proposal.

Samworth Brothers Supply Chain acknowledges the positive impact the scheme may have within Melton Mowbray, both in terms of its potential alleviation of some of the traffic issues present in the town and in its potential to unlock growth and development which will benefit both our own business and the wider area.

Samworth Brothers Supply Chain expects the scheme to support our business by supporting the distribution of goods and services, expanding our potential workforce and relieving congestion, which allows more customers to access our services. A positive outcome will allow us to realise greater ambitions to help support and grow the economy of Melton Mowbray and the wider area.

We look forward to working with Leicestershire County Council in the delivery of this project.

Yours sincerely,



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Date: 12th October 2022

Mandeep Hayer
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Leicestershire County Council

By Email Only

Dear Mandeep

RE: MELTON MOWBRAY DISTRIBUTOR ROAD, LEICESTERSHIRE

I am writing this letter in support of Leicestershire County Council's Full Business Case submission to the Department for Transport (DfT) in relation to the construction of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road.

As evidenced by the Melton Mowbray Transport Studies to support the Melton Local Plan, for the town to grow sustainably there will be a need for strategic investment in the highway network that improves the north/south connectivity. The transport evidence appraised options to address traffic congestion within the town and concluded that an outer distributor road is the best long-term deliverable solution. It was found that this would have the greatest positive long-term effects on traffic congestion within the town centre and offer best value for money. On this basis the Northern and Southern Sustainable Neighbourhoods were identified in the adopted Melton Local Plan to deliver approximately 55% of the Borough's total housing need over the plan period. These two allocations are a critical element in the delivery of strategic development in the Melton Local Plan period and beyond, providing new residential and business communities which will contribute to the economic growth of Melton Mowbray.

Taylor Wimpey have an interest in 23.51 ha of land adjacent to Melton Spinney Road, located both north and south of the proposed Melton Mowbray Distributor Road. The Site forms part of a wider allocation which is identified in the Melton Local Plan, October 2018, as an allocation for approximately 1,700 new homes (of which 1,500 are expected to be delivered within the plan period). The allocation is identified as the Melton North Sustainable Neighbourhood (MNSN).

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In September 2021, Taylor Wimpey submitted an outline planning application (access to be considered) for the erection of up to 480 new homes, including the provision of new affordable homes, in accordance with Policy SS5 of the Melton Local Plan. The application also comprises land for a potential additional 2-FE primary school (with pre-school), green infrastructure including strategic landscaping and children's play areas, sustainable urban drainage and associated infrastructure.

As stated above, the scheme will be providing new community infrastructure in addition to making off site financial contributions as part of a S106 agreement, including towards the proposed Melton Mowbray Distributor Road.

For the reasons set out above, Taylor Wimpey strongly support the delivery of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road. The Distributor Road will deliver significant long term economic, social and environmental benefits. As stated above, the road will not only help to reduce traffic congestion and support the delivery of significant housing within the Borough, but will pave the way for internal business growth and external investment coming into the Town.

Yours sincerely



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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to confirm TruFrame's continued support of the Melton Mowbray Distributor Road scheme (MMDR).

The points made in our previous letter, submitted nearly 5 years ago, are still relevant today i.e. the need for alleviation of the heavy traffic problem the town suffers with, and the benefits the scheme can provide in terms of increased economic activity from development of the surrounding land.

In addition to this, TruFrame specifically requires the southern section of the MMDR to come forward to facilitate the company's future growth plans. This includes the development of a new purpose-built manufacturing facility on land we have acquired along the route. The new site would secure TruFrame's long-term future in Melton Mowbray, and avoid the company needing to seek expansion or possible relocation outside of the borough or county.

Over the past few years, we have developed strong relationships with the people at Melton Borough Council, Leicestershire County Council, the land developers and the various service providers and stakeholders involved in this significant infrastructure project. With all the work that has been done, and the private and taxpayer funds that have been invested, it is difficult to comprehend that this important project could come to an abrupt end at such an advanced stage.

With the current political rhetoric of the desire for, "growth, growth, growth", I would hope that the harmonised Conservative local, County and central government are able to find a way to resolve any funding shortages and ensure that this critical scheme is realised. Doing so will facilitate the building of new homes, provide much needed new public services and give local business, such as our own, the opportunity to thrive.

Yours sincerely,



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