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Subject: Response to WBC Local Plan Review by Hatton Parish Council

Dear Sirs,

This is the response of Hatton Parish Council to your Local Plan Review consultation of October 2016:

A presentation was made to the Parish Council by WBC officers on Monday 21st November for which we should like to express our thanks. We understand that you wish to receive comments on the plan which is to provide sufficient development land to meet both residential and employment needs up to 2027 and beyond. A crucial factor is that some land which is currently classed as greenbelt will be reclassified. Following the presentation the Parish Council resolved to make its views on the subject clear to WBC.

The Parish Council has the benefit of The Hatton Village Plan which was prepared by residents themselves and which was published in 2015. Amongst the many things dealt with in this Plan are residents views on future development in the Village.

Whilst some development has taken place in the village in recent years this has been by means of infill on individual plots. The greenbelt in which Hatton is situated has served to preserve the essential character of the village which is predominantly rural in nature. The limited development which has taken place has allowed the village to grow in a sustainable way.

It is clear from the Village Plan that residents are keen for Hatton to remain protected by the greenbelt in order for it to preserve its essential character, with the vast majority wishing there to be no development at all or only single plots on infill sites as in the past. Some residents have no objection to the conversion of redundant farm buildings.

The Parish Council concurs with the views expressed by residents.

We note from the Consultation document that you are looking for suggestions for development sites for 5 or more houses. In the light of the above comments you will appreciate that the Parish Council does not wish to propose any such sites.

You are of course aware from discussions between your officers and members of the Parish Council that we are currently looking at the possibility of a Village Hall in Hatton which may or may not be associated with a small residential development to assist with procuring a site and funding. These proposals themselves arise from the Village Plan and are at a very preliminary stage. We would not wish to expand on them without further consulting residents therefore they will not form part of this response. However should anything materialise in the future we will look at the possibility of a Neighbourhood Development Order as suggested by your officers.

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Sent on behalf of Hatton Parish Council

