

APPENDIX 8

Focused Change FC8: Changes to Section 6.5: Providing Jobs

6.5 Providing Jobs

- 6.5.1 The Borough Council, in line with government guidance, is seeking to achieve sustainable growth. This forms part of the rationale as to why the planned housing requirement is more than the the higher objectively assessed housing need for the Borough, as identified in the Leicester and Leicestershire Housing and Economic Development Needs Assessment 2017 was selected from the Strategic Housing Market Assessment, and why the Spatial Strategy seeks to use new development to enhance Melton Mowbray's local and sub-regional role, whilst also allowing villages to develop sustainably. The Local Plan's strategy for providing jobs is therefore based on an assessment of employment and economic development needs and also the employment needs generated from new housing.
- 6.5.2 To enable businesses in the Borough to grow, increased labour supply must be provided in the locality. More jobs require an increase in the working age population, which will arise from planned new households. Moreover, in allocating 30ha of employment land, businesses have the opportunity to expand. These measures, combined with the delivery of strategic infrastructure such as the Melton Mowbray East Distributor Road, will pave the way for internal business growth and external investment coming into the town, which will represent a step change from trend based employment growth forecasts.

KEY EVIDENCE

~~Leicestershire and Leicester Strategic Housing Market Assessment, GL Hearn 2014~~

Leicestershire and Leicester Housing and Economic Development Needs Assessment, GL Hearn, 2017

Towards a Housing Requirement for Melton and its addendum, both GL Hearn, January and June 2017