### Appendix 1

# Issue & Options Consultation Events – Post it notes

### **Local Plan Themes - Housing**

If this new town is proposed it must have its own Council, schools, High Street shopping, Town Hall, Hospital/Health Care Centres, Parking, Parks/Public gardens& Community Halls with space for Culture. 15000 homes does not leave room for any of this. X5

Please restrict buildings in Villages to the numbers required by that community. DO NOT allow wholesale development so that our village lose the structure and character and arable land & woods etc.

Clear policy of planning gain with housing for Employment with new settlements for sustainability & travel reduction. Also provide Retail

Mersea island has not got good road links to railways. The Doctors surgery is already crowded our roads always have potholes and our school is already one of the largest. We need facilities to be improved before further homes can be built

A new development West of Colchester has to be Option 2B, Building north of Colchester will send traffic in to already congested North Station so NO to 3A. No to building east of Colchester 1B. Tendring will give up land but Colchester will get all the traffic congestion

Building houses from the Firs Road is an Outrage!

NO to 1A, 1B, 2A & 2B - YES to 3A & 3B

No to more houses, Where are these people supposed to come from!

Keep A12 as a boundary for North Colchester will maintain the rural nature of the villages. This will DESTROY Colchester if you merge them.

Don't build beyond A12 leave a gap between A12 & Babergh

Unite the Severalls are and land adjacent to Cants as is has been established.

Rent Control – Affordable to be actually affordable! X2

Make use of empty properties

Many older people wait to move from their large homes to free up for younger families. Encourage the building of larger retirement homes for people to downsize rather than building retirement apartment/flat with 1 or 2 bedrooms.

It is important to maintain small villages rather than extending them to Urban sprawl. Marks Tey is already split by the A12.

Great Tey & Little Tey should maintain small village identity tighter Rental control X2 Create a new bypass A120 to link Stanway. No development South of Marks Tey in Green Belt x3

Good Idea. Plenty of 2 bed starter homes please in West Mersea

Stop allowing people to acquire & demolish rural affordable housing and replace it with enormous mansions x2

Replace Caravans with Houses

Houses should be built in uniform styles of high design and not a mish mash of developments

Allowing so much development around Marks Tey/Little Tey would turn a lovely country village into a town and make a sprawl from Colchester to Braintree

If new houses are built adequate parking must be included off road X2

More Affordable housing for the young. 20% maximum

Where does this influx of population come from and how will it be sustained.

Time to review the Green Belt Policy. Scope for development on Brownfield sites

New houses should be in proportion to the size of the village

Any settlement expansion should be for the benefit of local community

New builds should look like existing buildings with more outside space

New houses should have Solar panels as standard

Single occupancies studio flats for 18-25 age group

Southern Bypass

Sustainable communities sound right

Do not sprawl to the north it is too remote and not near railway

No More major housing until the Infrastructure has caught up with the population growth

I have seen other areas destroyed by constant building of development. What about infrastructure. Mersea is an island of interest, beauty and community. DO NOT DESTROY THIS! X2

Please do not create a half-way house.

Lived on Mersea island for 13 years and feel no more houses should be built x2

Before giving planning permission for any planning, Suggest that the planners visit areas personally at different times of the day instead of just looking at a map.

Keep Marks Tey as a village don't spoil it with thousands of houses

Allocated land for Travellers Pitches.

Could do with some affordable smaller houses for older people to downsize x2

What about Care homes for the elderly

We need suitable and affordable housing for young people in Wivenhoe

Low cost housing is essential do not build for rich London commuters

We don't need another development like Well House a building disaster, always floods and an eye sore!

# **Local Plan Themes – Centres and Employment**

Hospital & School can't cope now!

Review the supply chain of CBC. Keep money local

People of Colchester need to feel proud of our town but the town centre is shameful! Quite a lot of it is due to the lack of relationship between ECC & CBC

Housing growth must be balanced with appropriate employment opportunities.

Houses are easy to build but jobs are not!

High quality needed. Minimum wage zero hours contract not helping young people.

Increased development to the proposed scale will not bring long term employment to the area

Unrealistic to assume that the over development of Colchester will bring employment. What % will be for people outside Colchester or even from Europe

More support for Social Enterprises

Maybe too late for Colchester now. All the individual shops are gone

Colchester in the evening should be avoided as it is not a safe environment.

Behaviour in the TC needs to be addressed

Allow locals to have an active role. Same Councillors decided on Colchester and they are wrong. More local views sought.

All businesses and leisure is dependent on transport. Villages should not be considered as industrial opportunities

Slow down out of town retail growth

Colchester will become a ghost town if out of town development continues – Look at Harwich!

Mersea needs a larger medical centre and school x5

Don't build a secondary School on Mersea Island

# **Local Plan Themes – Rural Colchester**

Option B is a worry for villages

No HGV's on Rural roads

Colchester and Horkesley are very nice places to live. Let's not be too negative. We need housing and infrastructure

Both Copford & Easthorpe have their own distinct communities – these will be lost of Option 2B or 1B goes ahead

Some rural housing is desirable preferably affordable housing sited along existing roads and incorporating small gardens

Remember that Essex has some wonderful villages Don't spoil them by a new town Private development – the villages are usually huge builds pricing locals out of the area, also too many smaller existing houses or bungalows are allowed to be extended in to mansion with the same effect

More smaller affordable homes for the rural villages x2

Great Tey is a thriving community. Allowing lots of new houses will spoil the villages, and why is infill being turned down if the village badly needs new homes>

LEAVE Marks Tey Alone it has suffered enough x2

Wivenhoe needs to keep its green space

Keep Green Belt between Colchester & Tendring

Ensure that new developments encourage inhabitants to use local facilities and not gravitate towards Colchester's resources

Leave Little Tey alone! X2

Encourage mixed use so that business/residents in rural village

If I wanted to live in a town I would have done so. Leave the Villages alone!

Need arable land to provide food for local people, therefore planning build needs to be proportionate

#### **Local Plan Themes – Health/Other Infrastructure**

People must take on more responsibility for their own health (good basic diet/exercise etc.) and not expect NHS to pick up the pieces. It's not difficult

Create a network of Bridleways around Colchester to connect up

Colchester Hospital - Enough Said!

With expansion we will need another Doctors and Dentist

NHS under serious strain (places in special measures) How will the trust cope with major expansion

Expanded hospital or more local walk in centres – 24hours

Hospital facilities need to be expanded as they are already struggling with the current population X6

We need direct buses to hospital and to leisure World

While Wivenhoe new surgery is welcome, it will clearly not be enough. We need to keep the current surgery open as a satellite to take up the slack and provide services

for upper Wivenhoe x2

Colchester Hospital is already deemed inadequate by CQC. How will it cope with more people when they are having budget cuts?

More Hospital & medical facilities essential x8

More sports facilities around the stadium including athletics facilities usually forgotten. Also more country side available for walking and running such as Highwood's Country Park which is a huge asset

New schools would be required

Development of West Mersea would be catastrophic for the very stretched facilities i.e. Doctors, Dentist

Keep Villages Distinct

What about the poor Doctors - Overworked already

Make/Create/Adopt a policy that allows/ensures all cycle paths are also used for Bridle paths

Bigger hospitals more capacity

More houses need more school, health centres and hospitals. More and better drainage to decrease flooding on pavement and roads

All for increasing sports facilities/playing fields but please ensure adequate parking with access off A12 only – NOT Langham Road for safety

Public open space especially an area of parkland alongside Clinghoe Hill is essential Protecting areas of natural beauty and open space is essential once built on it will be gone forever

Hospitals can't cope now.

Keep Wivenhoe as 1 separate town using green wedge, Country park and green cemetery

What about a 3-4 storey car park at the hospital like the one at the University

If landfill site is opened or built upon – serious risk to health

Protect green space, more allotments & community gardens

Use imagination for sites. Allow locals to have a say in how design

Provide a site for youth club and open space.

Open space such as a Highwoods Country Park is very important for physical & mental health. Continue rise of more and more concrete & brick is very depressing

Need to keep a green wedge between the University and Wivenhoe – Otherwise the village/town will disappear into larger Colchester

# **Local Plan Themes – Sustainable Transport and Accessibility**

Any development needs to link up using the railway and walking. Cycle paths to keep some of the cars off the road for many commuters x2

Need more road crossings across the rail line

North South movement across Colchester is not good enough

Marks Tey needs to have the A120 re-routed if any more houses are to be added

Slip road A134 on to A12

Slip road from Bergholt on to A12

Link houses to railway stations – cycle lanes would be best not cars

A120 is already inadequate for current traffic. Why build more houses there when the road is always busy

Most new employment for Colchester residents will be in London but the trains are

inadequate even now and need addressing

CBC needs to sort out roads and traffic in the TC. Improving roads is a priority.

A120 & Railway station development is needed to meet new town X2

A12/A120 cannot cope with the traffic already! More people and we won't be going anywhere? Lost jobs/stress/unemployment

You must By-Pass A120 to A12 x2

Dedicated cycle route from Mersea to Colchester not just cycle lanes x2

Cannot have new development without significant improvements in roads and associated infrastructure

A120 is gridlocked. Impossible to leave Great Tey Village now. NO plans to upgrade is crazy

Plans say nothing about Infrastructure – road, rail, hospital & schools x2

A12 & A120 cannot cope with traffic as is. Government needs to bring the Railways back in public control and make public transport more affordable, this would reduce traffic

Serious concerns about capacity of trains to London which are always very busy

Link Road to A120 before Clingoe Hill

Railways connection, improve the trains and place smaller developments near railway stations

Need to shift to eco-buses. Electric charging points

Proper bus station with facilities x2

Why is the P & R not stopping at the hospital? X2

Marks Tey train station is already at capacity. 15000 more homes ARE YOU INSANE?

Better bus services from Mersea to Maldon

Direct bus from Wivenhoe to hospital x2

Footbridge over Colne from Rowhedge to Wivenhoe

Public transport is on the decline

Greater use of P & R need routes north to south and east to west

Can't park at Marks Tey station after 9am? Where are you going to park instead?

Cycle routes must be extended all-round the town Present bus station does not meet the requirement

A120 Braintree to Marks Tey need urgent attention before it becomes a complete standstill x2

I stand up without a seat on a 7am train every morning HOW can you want more houses when the infrastructure is not in place?

You Must not bypass A120 to A12

Need more parking in Wivenhoe – Especially when medical centre opens.

Parking needed near Quay/High Street area

Promote healthy transport – Walking & Cycling

More Bus Lanes

Building a new town along the A120 will bring increased traffic even with A120 development

Marks Tey station is not big enough (parking), bus service is not good enough and no cycle pathways

Need P & R from South side of Colchester

Make the railway station more accessible to?

A decent bus service to Witham is badly needed

Cycle lane/pavement in Boxted & Langham so more could cycle or walk to

destinations safely x3

The narrow access onto/off Mersea need to be sorted out x3

How will everyone get off and on the island as the roads are bad already

There is a need for more inter linking safe off road tracks for walkers, cyclist throughout the district x2

Better bus services x2

Driving is a problem on Mersea

Reduce Noise pollution from A12

Junction upgrade badly needed at Rivenhall/Silver End. Signage is dangerous

Road, Rail & bus infrastructure needs significant improvement

Sort Transport out before development x2

A12 junction upgrade at Feering & Kelvedon

Cycle route to Colchester from West Mersea

More trains to stop at Marks Tey station this will help with the congestion at North Colchester x2

Free bus passes for all children as in London

Development in Tiptree needs to consider transport infrastructure specifically access to the A12 x2

Park & Ride bus to stop at the Hospital

Under pass under the railway station this would ease congestion x2

Joined up public transport – bus/rail/bike x2

### **Local Plan Themes – Heritage and Townscape**

Heritage character very important. New communities need these from the start not just collection of boxes to sleep in

Hythe port needs recognizing as Historic and efforts made to support groups wishing to utilise river & quay – social enterprise

Make sure innovative ideas are not stifled by referencing to "in keeping"

Create better open spaces. Make better use of Hythe Bridge, its fab that skaters use it

Colchester heritage building & etc. must be preserved at all costs.

How are our 6<sup>th</sup> form going to cope with the demands made on them while their budgets keep getting tighter

Great for CBC to draw a line under we can't afford to build affordable. Allow those developers to walk away

If villages are expanded the design of properties should be an enhancement not on everyone.

Colchester's Borough's heritage is extensive from pre-Roman times to medieval. This includes many villages & other features – chariot races tracks, roman roads, woollen industry etc. Please preserve it.

We need to keep countryside so easy access from towns. In fill is a good thing but not great new developments on green filled sites.

Agricultural land is growing OUR food. Where will this come from

Concerned rural heritage will be destroyed and concerns with farming producing local produce.

Retailing should be in town centre – only bulky goods in out of town centres

Protect and preserve Heritage

Weight bridge limit on Appleford Bridge

#### **Local Plan Themes – Natural Environment**

Need to provide employment opportunities very close to housing to enable as many as possible to live close to where they work

Need to use cycle routes more. Not along the edges of the roads as in Prettygate as cars park on them

Make sure that any large scale development is supported. Mix for plenty of facilities for the young

Expand Severalls Land – keep Industrial = Jobs. Not retail (Car dealer) and Stanway same Industrial

Everyone wants a local green space

The Historic views of the island as you approach West Mersea would be destroyed by more housing

CBC has already reneged on the promise not to build North of the A12. Light and noise pollution blight our rural lines. It is not enough to leave a "green gap" if said gap is so small

The walks and wildlife of West Mersea would be totally destroyed by more housing all areas are surrounded by footpaths

Mersea Island is a part of the evacuation zone for Bradwell. More people living here = more to be evacuated x2

Surely the fields of West Mersea are Greenfield sites

I didn't move to Boxted which is lovely & rural for it to become a suburb of Colchester. We need to maintain a clear green boundary between Boxted & Colchester

Include Bridleways in any new building development X4

Urban sprawl will destroy village life

Green Belt needs to be protected

No further growth of other villages x2

Salary brook needs to be protected. Please no buildings keep green space x2

Why can't you build up not out

Don't touch any woodland. If development goes ahead plant more trees

When building on arable farmland when this is used to grow food x2

Consideration to capacity of sewerage works & services needs to be part of the plan x2

44 acres behind Field Way & Mede Way represents mixed habitat

Protect landscape views, wildlife areas. Link to corridors. Improve access

Protect & Preserve Town heritage

Sustainable energy on new builds needed. Upfront installation of renewable solar panels on all new builds x2

Leave Coastal Protection Belt as it is x4

This development will reduce rural life enormously

Ensure policies protect Green space x3

More Brownfield sites. Save our Green belt areas x2

I don't think developers are interested in the natural environment. You only have to take a ride to North Colchester and see very high density housing to realise that. If we allow any more concreting over there will no natural environment to worry about x2

Country Park for Salary Brook – Need to protect Green Belt x3

Leave villages alone. It is Britain's Heritage to have villages – we don't want a huge urban sprawl joining them all together

Some of the sites are Colchester beautiful areas. Please preserve the rural landscape

The current proposals for 7500 houses to Marks Tey end of Coggeshall Road and he same number for Braintree end is by far too dense a plan. The massive amount of arable land this would take will impact on the food supply. The numbers need adjusting

Good farm land wasted

Air Pollution between A12 and A120 is a concern and will be worse as traffic increases x2

Keep the Green space without this we won't need rural jobs

This is the thin end of the wedge – next thing there will be all main chains and our local community will be ruined forever.

More bridleways so I can ride my horse safely!

# **Local Plan Themes – Education**

Build Autism units & language units within mainstream schools to encourage diversity and integration rather than segregation & isolation x3

Need a new Secondary School if this development goes ahead x3