Home Builders Federation (HBF)
Respondent ID
Matter 5

MANSFIELD LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION MATTER 5 - WHETHER OR NOT THE PROPOSED STRATEGIC URBAN EXTENSIONS & EMPLOYMENT ALLOCATIONS ARE SOUNDLY BASED & DELIVERABLE IN THE PLAN PERIOD & WHETHER OTHER POLICIES FOR EMPLOYMENT & THE ECONOMY ARE SOUNDLY BASED

Inspector's issues and questions in bold type.

This Hearing Statement is made for and on behalf of the HBF which should be read in conjunction with our representations to the pre submission Local Plan consultation dated 1st November 2018. This representation answers specific questions as set out in the Inspector's Matters, Issues & Questions document issued on 20th March 2019.

Issue – Will other employment and economy policies support jobs and contribute to the economy in the plan area?

28. Is the requirement for local labour agreements in Policy E5 reasonable and how would this be secured and delivered?

Under Policy E5: Improving Skills & Economic Inclusion, the Council will seek to negotiate planning agreements for Local Labour Agreements for sites of 10 or more dwellings. This requirement is unreasonable. Under national policy planning obligations must only be sought where they meet all of the following tests – (a) necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms, (b) directly related to the development and (c) fairly and reasonable related in scale and kind to the development. The requirement for Local Labour Agreements does not pass all of these tests therefore Policy E5 should be deleted.