## FOREST TOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL (FTCC)

April 2019 Hearing Statement for the Mansfield Local Plan to supplement FTCC's original representations

## **MAIN MATTER 5**

Whether or not the proposed strategic urban extensions and employment allocations are soundly based and deliverable in the plan period and whether other policies for employment and the economy are soundly based

*Issue - Are the strategic site and employment allocations soundly based?* 

## Land off Jubilee Way (Policy SUE2)

Question 10 – Are the overall scale and mix of uses for the site justified and are the site boundaries appropriate?

Question 11 – Is the site allocation soundly based having regard to paragraph 8.4 of the plan and the viability study which indicate that the site is not viable? What interventions would be necessary to ensure that the site is deliverable?

## Question 14 – Are any further safeguards or mitigation measures necessary to achieve an acceptable form of development and are any main modifications necessary for soundness?

- 1. As per FTCC's submission PD/52 (Policy SUE2 Land off Jubilee Way) and the Community Council's comments on Main Matter 1 Question 8, FTCC does not believe that the SUE2 allocation is soundly based.
- 2. The FTCC maintains that Mansfield District Council's proposed allocation of Land off Jubilee Way for extensive development is neither deliverable nor required to meet housing targets, and that the land would be better designated as countryside and treated as a valued part of Mansfield's Strategic Green Infrastructure Network, protected by policies including S5, IN2 and NE1.
- 3. This would enable the land to continue to act as an important area of separation that prevents the coalescence of Forest Town and Oak Tree, in line with Table 2.1 of the Publication Draft of the Local Plan ('Place' theme, opportunity/requirement that 'the Local Plan policies should protect important areas of separation and prevent coalescence'), and to benefit from further protection under policies such as NE2.