



## ADDENDUM

DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY AND  
RESOURCES  
Paul Dodson

11 September 2024

Dear Councillor

**COUNCIL – 12 September 2024**

Please find enclosed addendums to the following reports due to be considered by the Council at the above meeting.

14. **National Planning Policy Framework Consultation Response**(Pages 3 - 4)
15. **Response to Essex Transport Strategy Public Consultation**(Pages 5 - 6)

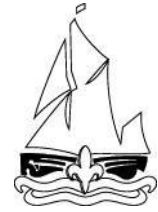
Yours faithfully

Director of Strategy and Resources



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## **ADDENDUM**

### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 14      NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK CONSULTATION RESPONSE**

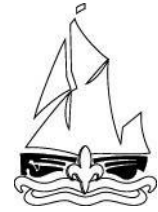
Members are advised of an error in **APPENDIX A** to this report, page 166 of the Agenda meeting pack.

The third paragraph of the response to Question 6 is corrected as follows, with replacement correct words expressed in red.

“The main issue and constraint in the Maldon District is infrastructure; it is lagging behind the growth in our present approved local plan and the bodies responsible for commissioning or delivery of those facilities are struggling to deliver due to lack of funds or borrowing capacity, complex internal approval processes before anything can be built or spending controls such as NHS England lease restraints tied to the District Valuer. All the while, our doctors’ surgeries are operating at / overcapacity, transport investment is behind growth, our education system is nearing capacity, our local NHS hospital is ~~going to close~~ **threatened with closure** with no NHS plan in place to bring forward either a dispersal of the services within the District or a new hospital to cater for an unforeseen increase in the population that the NPPF will demand. How are we supposed to plan to meet that target when public service investment is unlikely to follow? This will be an unsustainable Local Plan and contrary to the NPPF.”

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### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 15      RESPONSE TO ESSEX TRANSPORT STRATEGY PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

Members are advised that as referenced in paragraph 3.3 of the report, the Planning Policy Working Group (PPWG) were considering the proposed response to the consultation at its meeting on 10 September 2024.

The PPWG felt that under Question 20 where Essex County Council invites ‘any further comment’ that the following should be incorporated into the council response.

“Maldon District Council, as a rural, coastal authority, faces key challenges because of its current transport deficit, the highest reliance on car travel in Essex, low rates of walking and cycling (baseline data in the ECC-led draft Maldon District Future Transport Strategy) and continued cuts and losses to public and community transport services. The Council has highlighted where the Essex Transport Strategy ‘Framework’ must consider rural, coastal areas as a priority to build a successful public transport network and create sustainable places, where the transport needs and choices are for everyone, wherever they live, work, or visit with a transport mode of choice.”

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