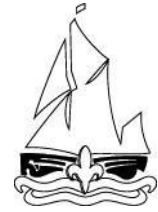


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**to
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ADDENDUM

**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.”