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Dear Sirs,

Local Development Plan

Having viewed the development plan, I would like to thank you for the very detailed options outlined and offer the following considered opinions.

1. With a plan of such magnitude, we should be bold and imaginative as we look to develop an environment that will enhance the town's character.
2. Whilst we cherish the idea of the Green Belt, we need to be realistic about the small areas between existing developments that hold little or no community benefit. These should be used for development where possible and where the current infrastructure allows.
3. The sheer size of the challenge dictates that something like the Dunton Garden Suburb is necessary. We should be bold in this and ensure that a new area is developed that can have all the amenities, infrastructure and potential for community.
4. The need for affordable/social housing is vital if the town is to continue with its mix of retail, business, commerce, manufacturing etc. I recognise that this style of housing is a political problem but our proximity to London is continuing to make house prices accelerate even more. Is it possible that housing associations could become actively involved where the property can be retained and controlled for those who work in the Borough? We must be able to find a way around the private developers and their 'need' for market value. This may sound a little like 'Council Housing' but until supply outstrips demand, our young residents will continue to lose out

Yours faithfully
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