APPENDIX B

RAF Brampton Urban Design Framework Summary of Consultation Comments and District Council Responses

Principle, scale and location of proposed development	
Summary of Consultation Comments	District Council Responses
There is general support from respondents from Brampton relating to the proposed development, safeguarding significant trees and providing open space and linking the development to Brampton village.	The District Council must deliver its adopted Core Strategy, which seeks to provide a mixed use development at RAF Brampton. The principle, scale and location are set out in the Core Strategy. This Draft UDF has no policy making role in relation to principle, scale and location of development.
One consultee noted that it is not necessary to build new homes on a site that is a very short distance from a major Waste Management Site (with a 24 hour usage capability)	Noted as above. The adjacent Waste Management site does not yet have a 24 hour licence.
Reference to the site's military heritage and archaeological potential should be further referenced	To be incorporated into the final UDF.
Concern over parking and full capacity of village Doctors surgery.	Car parking capacity within the proposed RAF Brampton development area is considered to be satisfactory. Car parking capacity for existing facilities in Brampton village may need to be reviewed and this will be taken forward in conjunction with the Parish Council, Cambridgeshire County Council and relevant interested parties.

Retention of Brampton Park Theatre	
Summary of Consultation Comments	District Council Responses
Users and friends of Brampton Little Theatre have expressed that they would like to see the 'theatre' building retained. The theatre together with the attached Airmen's Mess building could be redeveloped into an Arts Centre, providing cultural facilities for Brampton; it could also provide changing rooms for the sports pitches.	Save the Theatre Action Group have been advised that a 'theatre' in itself does not provide a multi-use community building as required by the development to meet community needs of the residents. However alternative options Plan B and Plan C will be included within the final UDF which leave the way open for the action group to purchase the building. It is however doubtful if changing rooms at this location would meet Football Foundation criteria.

The building has been registered on the Theatres Trust's Building's At Risk register. The Parish Council, Theatres Trust, Brampton Park Theatre Company and Brampton Choral Society should be consulted on Plan B. S106 / Community Infrastructure Levy funding could be used to refurbish the building, this being more pragmatic use of the funding that any new-build community building. A business case shows that an Arts Centre can survive without ongoing subsidy, and there is local support for it.	Noted. Appropriate contact with The Theatre's Trust will be maintained. Whilst there is an active support group, some of whom are Brampton based, the support is, as yet, unquantified. The parties interested in the retention of the building will need to provide appropriate evidence of viability and refurbishment within their business plans costs if they intend to seek developer contributions for refurbishment. Other sources of capital and revenue funding may also need to be investigated.
Traffic and Transport	
Summary of Consultation Comments	District Council Responses
The roads into Huntingdon are barely managing to carry traffic in the morning; additional 500 vehicles coming off the site will only make matters worse. Concern of additional congestion along the High Street and Church Road at peak times.	Cambridgeshire County Council as local highways authority raised no objections in terms of highways capacity and congestion when RAF Brampton was considered at Core Strategy stage.
Parish Council welcomes the proposed mini roundabout on the High Street, Church Road and Buckden Road junction and also the reopening of the Park Lane exit onto Buckden Road.	This issue will be investigated with the CCC as highway authority as proposals for the development of RAF Brampton are brought forward.
Parking along the High Street outside the shops is problematic; there is an opportunity to remodel this area to provide a lay-by, which this development could fund.	Car parking capacity for existing facilities in Brampton village may need to be reviewed and this will be taken forward in conjunction with the Parish Council, Cambridgeshire County Council and relevant interested parties.
The road / track to Park Road from the site should be reconnected – access will be required by emergency services.	This would be welcomed, however Park Road from the Grafham Road junction to the site is a private road in 3 rd party ownership. Any increase in vehicular traffic could increase the usage of the substandard junction onto the A1 northbound from Grafham Road which is dangerous.
Sustainable transport methods could be augmented by frequent and affordable community shuttle buses – preferably	This issue will be investigated with CCC as highway authority and with bus providers, including potential funding sources.

electric powered to reduce noise and air pollution – to connect to key points within the village and RAF site. A morning and evening peak hour shuttle service could connect the site with Huntingdon railway station, Hinchingbrooke, and Huntingdon Town Centre.	
Frequency of bus services needs to increase.	This will be investigated with CCC as highway authority and with bus providers.
Parish Council would like to see each person moving into the site provided with a one year free buss pass by the developers.	This will be investigated with CCC as highway authority and with bus providers.
DIO has no control over any land outside the surplus estate and no control over Annington Homes roads which are proposed for upgrading to adoptable standards.	To be investigated with CCC as highway authority and Annington Homes.
Bus stops should have shelters.	Agree - to be investigated with CCC as highway authority, to be included within the final UDF.
Roads within the site must be wide enough for vehicles to park and maintain free flowing traffic including buses.	Agree - to be investigated with CCC as highway authority, to be included within the final UDF.
There may be instances where cul-de-sacs are appropriate in the masterplan.	Generally disagree - cul-de-sacs do not allow for permeability throughout the site.
The 30mph sign along Buckden Road must be moved south past the Park Lane junction and car garage.	To be investigated with CCC as highway authority.
Footpaths and cyclepaths	
Summary of Consultation Comments	District Council Responses
Natural England, the Parish Council and CCC welcomes proposal to enhance pedestrian and cycle connections to existing public rights of way and to the wider countryside such as Brampton Wood SSSI and the Ouse Valley Way. Request	Noted. To be discussed with CCC and the landowner.

Development should contribute to the wider This matter will be considered in pedestrian / cycle routes to be upgraded to conjunction with CCC.

The route to school for secondary school children needs to be carefully considered. Pavement widths are constrained by existing boundary walls; however this will be investigated with CCC as highway Buckden Road and Church Road are

that this be a bridleway.

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narrow and the crossing to the north side of Thrapston Road / Huntingdon Road at the roundabout is dangerous. Use of the east side requires a better crossing of Huntingdon Road.	authority.
The upgraded footpath across the field to the school must be out of bounds from horse riders. The trees along this route should be retained.	Noted. To be discussed with CCC and the landowner and amended in the final UDF as necessary.
The existing rights of way network is fragmented. Wherever possible rights of way need to be bridleways which can be used by walkers, cyclists and horse riders.	Noted. To be discussed with CCC and the landowner and amended in the final UDF as necessary.
Requirement for more dog walking routes.	Consideration is to be given to the rationalisation and improvement of the footpath network in the area.
The south west part of FP3 around the current perimeter fence leading to Buckden Road should be retained as it is a countryside route and an important link to the Ouse Valley Way and access to the waste tip when it is eventually restored.	Noted. To be discussed with CCC and the landowner and amended in the final UDF as necessary.
Stopping up FP3 to the west of the camp is a pity because it is an informal countryside route across fields. Rather than being stopped up it could be linked with the changed route of FP4 to the school and diverted through the tree belt on the western edge of the site.	Noted. To be discussed with CCC and the landowner and amended in the final UDF as necessary.
FP2 should not be stopped up, but diverted to the inside of the hedge along the road to the fishing lakes.	Noted. To be discussed with CCC and the landowner and amended in the final UDF as necessary.
Brampton is a popular village for horse riders but this activity has no mention.	Noted. The Draft UDF does not indicate any space or facilities specifically for equestrian uses.
Pedestrian and cycle routes through the development need to have public highway status.	Noted. To be discussed with CCC and amended in the final UDF as necessary.
Flooding	
Summary of Consultation Comments	District Council Responses
The site is part of and is adjacent to a very large flood plain. Serious consideration has to be given to the impact of development on the base upon the flood	This has been carefully considered as the Draft UDF has been prepared. Detailed flood management measures will need to be discussed as developers prepare

plain.	appropriate planning applications for the area.
Concern that DIO and Annington Homes should have consideration of the Pitt Report and the Cambridgeshire Flood Memories Project.	Noted.
The Parish Council wishes to see measures incorporated to protect the housing and employment areas from high flows in the River Great Ouse.	Noted.
The Parish Council would like to see figures related to the net additional run-off created by development on the site. Any increase in run-off would be considered a major concern given the flooding of residential areas adjacent to the site.	Noted – these will be considered as proposals are developed.
The Parish Council wishes to have sight of the Surface Water Drainage and Flood Risk Strategy.	Noted – these will be considered as proposals are developed.
This section should be referencing Hydrology and Flood Risk or there should be a separate section on flood risk.	Noted as above.
The employment areas north of Central Avenue will need careful consideration with only footprint redevelopment allowed without suitable mitigation / compensation.	Noted as above.
Design issues relating to flood risk and its mitigation where appropriate must be included within the UDF for the site. Surface water management methods need to be incorporated in master planning at an early stage as it can impact on the layout.	The Draft UDF has taken careful consideration of the potential flood risk issues and this is reflected in the proposed disposition of land uses. Further detailed work on flood risk issues will need to be undertaken as proposals are developed.
A "drainage and flood risk strategy" will need to be agreed which must include any phased development proposals and future maintenance responsibilities.	This will be undertaken as proposals are developed.
Housing	
Summary of Consultation Comments	District Council Responses
Questions regarding why 400 homes are needed in this location.	The District Council must deliver its adopted Core Strategy, which seeks to provide a mixed-use development at RAF Brampton.
The Parish Council accepts modest infill	Noted, as reflected within the UDF.

development within the Annington Homes	
sector.	
The Parish Council considered that 400 homes located in a mix of high and low density areas is acceptable.	Noted, as reflected within the UDF.
The Parish Council has highlighted concern that there are no proposed bungalows, a number which will be necessary to create an all-age development.	Bungalows have not been specifically included within the Draft UDF. However, should a need or market demand require bungalows these can be considered as part of any planning application.
Concern regarding 2 and a half and 3 storey housing close to Buckden Road unless they are hidden by the tree screen.	The existing woodland edge along Buckden Road will obscure views into the site. The majority of development adjacent to this treed edge will be 2 storey with only limited 2 and a half storey development.
Clarification is needed as to whether affordable housing is to be 40% or up to 40%.	Core Strategy Policy CS4 states that developments of this kind should seek to achieve a target of 40% affordable housing.
The Parish Council have recommended that some of the new houses be reserved for the children and grandchildren of local residents, thereby reinforcing the sense of community.	Noted. There is no formal mechanism for securing this but it can be investigated at the appropriate time as development proposals are brought forward.
The document states that there is an opportunity for small local builders and self -builders and their architects to be involved in the provision of a variety of homes to add interest to the site. There is no indication as to how this process is to be undertaken. How can we register our interest in making use of the opportunity to undertake a self-build on the site?	The District Council will work with any potential developer of the area to seek to develop an appropriate mechanism through which small local builders can get involved in the development.
This must not be a repeat of boring traditional housing estates, modern and eco friendly designs should be used.	The UDF has been produced to ensure that the development on the site is of high quality.
Photovoltaics would be appropriate on new build roof surfaces.	Sustainability measures will be required on the development. There is no objection per-se to the principle of photovoltaics.
Employment	
Summary of Consultation Comments	District Council Responses
The location of the employment area further separates the site from the village by blocking views and occupying an area where south facing homes can be	Disagree; the employment area helps to integrate the site with the village by being in a location accessible to existing residents. Views to the village / site will not

provided.	be blocked; many existing trees in this location will be retained. Employment buildings occupy a similar footprint to buildings currently in this location. The majority of the dwellings proposed have south, west and east facing gardens through the layout of the site.
The location for employment is close to and benefits from good access from the B1514.	Noted.
There is potential for the Officers' Mess to provide catering and housekeeping jobs that could be attractive to local residents.	Noted.
Concern about the types of employment that would be permitted. The Parish Council would like strict control to be maintained and would wish this to be agreed now.	The employment uses are envisaged to be class B1 uses that encompass, offices, research and development or products or process, or for light industrial processes as stated within the UDF. The proposals put forward by the landowner / developer will be considered at planning application.
The Parish Council would like the District Council to consider how the alternative use to which the 'employment area' could be put should there be insufficient take up by new employers, reference competition from Alconbury.	The take-up of employment land is monitored on an annual basis by HDC. However, the Draft UDF employment land areas relate to land supply requirements over the life of the Core Strategy (to 2026).
Trees and Open Space	
Summary of Consultation Comments	District Council Responses
Retention of feature trees and tree belts is welcomed.	Noted, these are a unique quality to the character of the site.
The Parish Council assumes responsibility (safeguarded by an appropriate commuted sum) for the many fine specimens on the site.	These issues will be addressed at a later stage.
A community orchard in the walled garden would complement the allotments.	The development generates a requirement for an allotment. The possibility of a community orchard will be investigated and incorporated into the final UDF. Parts of public open space could contain fruit trees.
Brampton needs playing fields, allotments, and the historic house to enhance the present village amenities.	These are proposed within the UDF.
Biodiversity and wildlife should be encouraged through a network of green	The Draft UDF seeks to achieve this by securing the retention of a high quality

spaces and SUDs and for trees and planting to provide shading and cooling in summer. Green corridors should be as wide as possible and incorporate structural and habitat diversity.	landscape, with substantial wooded areas and green corridors throughout the development area.	
It will be important to consult young people including the Youth Forum regarding the contents of the new LEAPs, NEAP and woodland trim trail.	Noted.	
Loss of existing cricket pitch on the site is regrettable. The availability of tennis courts is seen as an asset and the Parish Council would see merit in retaining three courts. The playing fields will require changing facilities to Football Foundation standards. It is important that cycle racks be provided.	Noted. The tennis courts are shown in the Draft UDF as being retained, and it is envisaged that changing facilities could be provided as part of a multi-use community facility.	
Open space will need to be high quality so residents can meet many of their recreational needs within the development.	Noted. The Draft UDF seeks to achieve this.	
Listed buildings		
Summary of Consultation Responses	District Council Response	
The retention of listed buildings and a	Noted.	
sense of the history of the site will be particularly welcome.		
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Prompton has no provision for the Arts	Noted.
Brampton has no provision for the Arts other than the theatre and already huge facilities for sports.	
The Parish Council welcomes the consideration given to the visual and physical integration of the Annington properties in the proposal. It should avoid the creation of two separate enclaves.	It is important for the long term sustainability of the site as a whole that Annington Homes and new development are integrated.
There is little information with in the UDF regarding benches street lights, pillar boxes and other street furniture. The Parish Council would like to be consulted before the frequency and positioning of these items is finalised.	The Parish Council will be consulted as development proposals are brought forward.
The number of potential new residents will require provision of additional community facilities. These are shown most conveniently co-located with the changing rooms. The location indicated has good parking and open space / sports provision adjacent.	Noted.
The Parish Council has requested that the integral tool store be large enough to accommodate a tractor and other grounds maintenance equipment.	Noted.
The community building could house pre- school educational facilities. On site pre- school provision should be made.	This has potential to be provided with a multi-use community building. To be further investigated.
An opportunity is being missed for a sports centre. There is plenty of accommodation for visiting competitors. The Officers Mess is already a small hotel with annexes.	A development of this size is unable to deliver a sports centre through S106 or CIL. There could be potential for the Officers Mess to be converted to a hotel, subject to planning requirements.
Environmental Infrastructure	
Summary of Consultation Responses	District Council Response
Buckden Road should not be allowed to become a 'highway' into Huntingdon with buildings turning their backs on it.	Agree - the UDF illustrates dwellings fronting outwards on the site.
Key views within the development have been carefully considered.	Noted.
The tree belts within the site will be heavily used by village people. A quieter area should be provided.	A range and size of different types of open space will be provided on site to cater for different users.

Access to formal and informal green space should be considered with regard to	Noted.
Natural England's Access to Natural Greenspace Standards.	
The developers should make reference to the Cambridgeshire Green Infrastructure	The Cambridgeshire Green Infrastructure Strategy will be a material consideration as
Strategy in linking areas of open space with	development proposals are brought
the surrounding countryside and green infrastructure network.	forward.
A map should be included with the UDF demonstrating how the development will	Noted. This will be considered.
link into the surrounding green	
infrastructure network.	
Allotments will provide multi-functional	Noted. This will be considered as
benefits. Inclusion of green walls, bat and bird boxes would also provide biodiversity	development proposals are brought forward.
enhancement. Provision must be made for	
animal habitats, bird boxes etc.	
Development of the site will require a	This will be a requirement of any planning
detailed ecological assessment and mitigation and enhancement strategy.	application.
	The Cill is not vet in place. The
CIL money should be allocated for enhancement to nearby strategic green	The CIL is not yet in place. The prioritisation of use of potential CIL funds
infrastructure that might suffer from	will need to be considered against a range of community infrastructure measures.
increased usage.	or community initiastructure measures.
Proposed Shop	
Summary of Consultation Responses	District Council Response
Some concern that a potential shop within	A limited retail provision will help to serve
the site will have an adverse impact on the viability of the existing village shops. A few	residents of the development and this part of Buckden Road and environs without
small shops on the site rather than one	having an adverse impact on the existing
convenience store would help reduce car journeys and congestion on the High	shops.
Street. Need to encourage early provision.	
Process Issues	
Summary of Consultation Responses	District Council Response
Concern that it is unrealistic and	Disagree; there are a number of social
environmentally unsustainable for residents of Annington Homes to have to travel to	facilities currently within Brampton village
or Annington nomes to have to travel to	that Annington residents can use. A multi-
RAF Wyton for social facilities particularly	use community centre is proposed as part
RAF Wyton for social facilities, particularly when the proposed Arts Centre is on base.	use community centre is proposed as part of the development.

with the departure of MOD. Otherwise	appropriate management and maintenance
assets, such as the listed buildings and the open space to be used as football pitches will quickly deteriorate and become devalued.	strategy when HM Forces vacate the site.
Open space will be owned and managed by a variety of public bodies. Long term management will be essential in ensuring these areas provide maximum long-term benefits for people and wildlife.	These issues will be addressed at a later stage, and potential partners have already been identified.
It is important that access be made available form the north western corner of the site to the footpath to school form the first day of withdrawal of security.	Agree. To be investigated further as development proposals are brought forward.
Residents of the village should have access to the open spaces at the earliest opportunity.	Agree. To be investigated further as development proposals are brought forward.
The Parish Council wishes to be closely involved with the determination of the level of S106 payments required and consulted on the proportion of CIL money to be allocated.	Noted. The Parish Council will be consulted on these matters at the appropriate time.
The Parish Council would like to see a schedule that ties provision of infrastructure to the completion of specific numbers of houses.	Noted. The Parish Council will be consulted on these matters at the appropriate time.
Responsibility for removing the security fence around the perimeter of the site should be made explicit and when this will occur.	Noted.
Security of the site needs to be put in place after MoD leave the site to reduce vandalism of empty buildings.	Noted.
The demolition of existing structures should not take place until a proper survey and assessment of their significance has been carried out in accordance with PPS5.	Noted. Heritage assets have been considered carefully within the Draft UDF and impacts will be considered as development proposals are brought forward.
Contaminated land will require remediation.	Noted.
The Parish Council would like the development to be called Brampton Park and have an input into the naming of roads.	Noted.