## Response from Brian Guyatt on behalf of Hockley Residents Association

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

We believe that the recent changes, including the NHB, render the Rochford Core strategy even more unsound because:

- the new incentives for further development have not been included in the core strategy. Its small, scattered housing developments do not provide for further building or even for adequate infrastructure improvements to even support the existing proposals.
- The CS priorities the use of greenbelt belt land contrary to government policy.
- RDC have not considered any reasonable alternatives and there is no evidence to suggest they have.
- There is not highways plan and areas regularly flooding in the Rawreth/Hullbridge area will render improvements difficult and expensive, prohibiting further development.
- No consultation on how NHB will be used.

In summary, the Rochford CS does not justify use of the word "strategic" and the latest government policy changes exacerbate this.

Please acknowledge. Thanks

Regards

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