Comments on Revised Policy GD2 – Planit-X for Scraptoft and Thurnby & Bushby Parish Councils

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the District Council's proposed modifications to Draft Local Plan Policy GD2. On behalf of Scraptoft and Thurnby & Bushby Parish Councils, I offer the following observations:

- Criterion 1b seems unnecessary;
- Criterion 2 as worded is inappropriate as the Local Plan already identifies a housing supply to meet district-wide housing need with 15%+ flexibility. Any change to housing requirement should trigger a Local Plan Review in accordance with revised Policy IMR1. Therefore the words 'district-wide housing need, or' should be deleted. If this is to be retained, the word 'unmet' could be inserted after 'identified';
- The scale of development already built and committed in the PUA, and settlements like Lutterworth and Fleckney, means that criterion 2d 'size' cannot be met in these places and therefore they should be outside the scope of criterion 2d. It is appreciated that it is difficult to express this in the Policy but perhaps this could be set out in the explanatory text;
- Presumably Local Green Space should be added to criterion 2g and 1a, but we appreciate the desire not to add on a whole list of designations etc. that are dealt with by other policies of the Plan.

Regards

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