

Matter 11 Implementation of the Plan

Cllr Phil King | Respondent 2511 | 15 October 2026

I submit these comments in my individual capacity as District Councillor for Kibworths Ward and Leicestershire County Councillor for Gartree Division. I am not acting as an official representative of either Harborough District Council or Leicestershire County Council; these are my own representations.

Original representations 13333 and 13372

Questions addressed in ID9
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Supplementary comments developing the strategy and delivery objections in my original representations. I ask the Panel to consider them within that scope.

1. Monitoring cannot remedy an inadequately justified strategy after development has occurred. Once concrete and tarmac are laid, the practical opportunity to alter the trajectory is severely constrained.
2. The supplementary report considered by Leicestershire County Council's Cabinet on 13 October 2026, paragraphs 43 to 47 and 59 to 60, identifies unresolved education delivery arrangements, an incomplete infrastructure viability review and further transport strategy work with an uncertain timetable. Paragraph 61 nevertheless favours adoption through suitable modifications. I acknowledge that position; the issue for the Panel is whether specific modifications are evidenced and sufficient to resolve the deficiencies.
3. The monitoring framework should track delivery of essential infrastructure against occupations, not simply housing completions. It should identify responses to missed infrastructure milestones, funding shortfalls and transport outcomes materially different from assumptions. The baseline for monitoring should therefore reconcile the schemes and timing in HDC11A, the corridor approach in HDC14 paragraphs 6.12–6.19 and education requirements in HDC18 Tables 9 and 13.
4. Triggers should lead to timely action and review where necessary. However, a future review is not a substitute for demonstrating that the present strategy can be delivered. I seek a framework which deals explicitly with uncertainty and linked-site delay, supported by effective allocation and infrastructure policies.

Evidence references

ID9 Stage 2 Matters Issues and Questions, 21 September 2026. Supplementary report on Harborough District Local Plan considered by Leicestershire County Council's Cabinet on 13 October 2026, paragraphs and appendices cited above.

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