

Q32. Which one issue, from the questions 1 – 31 above, do you think should be top priority for the LDF?

No.	Respondent	Response
1.	Kirby Muxloe Parish Council	No answer
2.	Natural Life Leicestershire County Council	No answer
3.	National Playing Fields Association,	23
4.	The Gypsy Council	No answer
5.	LE9 2LT	6
6.	Health & Safety Executive	No answer
7.	Grove Park Commercial Centre Ltd	No answer
8.	Alliance & Leicester Plc	Q25/29 – transport choice and quality
9.	LE3 2JP	Employment – development which increases this
10.	LE9 2DF	No answer
11.	LE19 3ET	Development of brownfield sites within the district should be encouraged with Q/A 31 being LDF main priority
12.	Transport 2000 (Leicestershire)	There are many I could choose but I will go for question 8
13.	LE3 8AE	Q4
14.	Architectural Liaison Officer. Leicestershire Constabulary	To promote a safe and secure environment as <i>safety and security are essential to successful, sustainable communities (Keith Hill/Hazel Blears 2004).</i>
15.	Jelson Limited	No answer
16.	LE18 3TH	New affordable housing
17.	A J Granger	No answer
18.	Cllr E A Webster-Williams	Q8
19.	LE9 3GB	Energy conservation and improving public transport and cycling and walking facilities
20.	LE3 2XH	No answer

21.	LE19 3LY	17
22.	LE3 3AB (Anon)	Q24 – Fosse Ward is the most deprived in the District and receives less support than new developments such as Thorpe Astley
23.	LE2 9JQ	A railway station for Blaby and Glen Parva
24.	LE8 4DN	Q22
25.	LE3 8PU	Cleaning and tidying up eye sores, e.g. Glenfield Station Road opposite the Co-Op
26.	LE8 5RH	Endeavouring to cut down on very short journey car use
27.	Leicester Forest East Parish Council	No answer
28.	Anon LE3 3LY	17
29.	LE9 Anon	Suitable, affordable housing on existing or brownfield sites which meets the needs of the community and enhances that community. A pride in our towns and villages
30.	LE8 6LT	Better car parking
31.	LE8 5RD	23
32.	LE19 3ET	Development.
33.	LE9 1SX	Not using Greenfield sites.
34.	Cllr Dilks	I personally would like to see Blaby District Council put an emphasis on encouraging the best possible emphasis for new build design in order to improve the locality for future generations.
35.	LE9 3GG	Q17.
36.	LE9 3BA	Q33
37.	A T	No answer
38.	LE8 5YJ	Transport.
39.	Anon	17.
40.	Stoney Stanton WI	Protection of the natural environment.
41.	Stepping Stones Countryside Management Project	No answer
42.	LE3 8EH	Q3 and 19 Sustainability/energy/conservation,

		etc, should underlie all other issues.
43.	Cllr Alan Tanner	13.
44.	Ford & Slater Limited	No answer
45.	BT Group Plc	No answer.
46.	Persimmon Homes (North Midlands) Ltd	Questions 8/9.
47.	Leicestershire County Council (Structure Plans)	Sequential approach to location and development.
48.	Department of Highways, Transportation and Waste Management Leicestershire County Council	<p>There cannot be a single priority for the LDF. The District Council must have regard to the LTP and will need to be aware of the priorities the Government is imposing on the new LTP. New Government guidance on the LTP sets out a “shared priority” for transport which includes improving accessibility and public transport and reducing the problems of congestion, pollution and safety.</p> <p>The District Council will also need to be mindful of other duties, e.g. in respect of sustainable development.</p>
49.	Cllr John Kenney	Recreation facilities for teenagers.
50.	Blaby Parish Council	Listening to the Parish Council and local people on planning matters.
51.	Strategic Planning - SRA	No answer.
52.	Local Strategic Partnership	The LSP does not believe that any one issue is more important than any other but that development should be seen in the context of LSP priorities creating sustainable, stronger, safer and healthier communities.
53.	Woodland Trust	No answer.
54.	Glenfield Parish Council	The plan should cover all of the issues discussed and no single item can be selected.
55.	Sapcote Parish Council	Priority – The priority issues as far as this parish council is concerned is the resolving of issues relating to gypsy and traveller sites.
56.	LE3 8SD	Traveller sites – these are a worry.

57.	Aston Flamville Parish Meeting	12, 6 and 10.
58.	Leicester & Rutland Society of Architects	Q6.
59.	Cattrell Associates	No answer.
60.	LE19 4WE	Local traffic congestion (Q2).
61.	The National Trust	Question 3 – ensuring improved sustainability.
62.	Billington Road West Elmesthorpe	No answer.
63.	LE2 9HJ	I can't pick out one question for top priority because all the issues covered are important and many are inter-dependent on each other and therefore all should be taken forward.
64.	LE8 4GD	No answer.
65.	Rutland Country Homes	Q15.
66.	LE9 9FW	Q4 – more individual houses on infill positions.
67.	LE2 9JA	The health of the people and land.
68.	Braunstone Town Council	Please refer to "Action Plan" (Pages 20-26).
69.	Leicestershire County Council (Chief Executive's Department)	No answer.
70.	Network Rail	No answer.
71.	Wm Morrison Supermarkets Plc	No answer.
72.	LE19 2JJ (1)	All of equal importance to create a harmonious standard of living for residents in the communities.

73.	Thurlaston Parish Council	Preservation of Greenfield sites and rural communities.
74.	Countesthorpe WI	No answer.
75.	LE19 2JJ (2)	Q8.
76.	Leicester City Council (Regeneration and Culture)	No answer.
77.	Leicester City Council Investment and Development	No answer.
78.	Next plc (CgMs)	No answer.
79.	LE19 2JJ (3)	
80.	House Builders Federation	The HBF considers that question 7, which deals with how the housing supply requirement will be met, is the most important single issue for the LDF to consider.
81.	LE9 9SU	Q4 – more individual houses and bungalows on infill positions.
82.	Highways Agency	No answer.
83.	LE9 3HD	Q22.
84.	English Nature Eastern area Team	No answer.
85.	LE3 8AT	No answer.
86.	LE8 4AQ	The development of better public transport from Blaby to the city based on rail network.
87.	Anon	Converting empty sites, factories, shops into flats and houses.
88.	LE19 2 JH	Q 5
89.	LE2 3TJ	The location of future development.
90.	LE9 3EJ	8.7 Travel, transport and communication.
91.	LE19 5HG	All of equal importance to create a harmonious standard of living for residents in communities.
92.	Housing Corporation	No answer.
93.	Development	No answer.

	Plans Group Leicester City Council	
94.	Nottingham East Midlands Airport	No answer.
95.	Powers Estate	No answer.
96.	Thorpe Astley community Association	Of those issues that fall within the remit of the LDF probably the one which concerns most people in Thorpe Astley apart from the total lack of facilities, is the threat to open spaces posed by potential alterations to the M1 motorway. The concern at the loss of a substantial amount of open space that should have come with the development of the land adjacent to the Observatory is in no way alleviated by the provision of sports facilities in another community.
97.	Blaby W.I	Railway station and Car Park
98.	Leicester and Leicestershire Motorcycle forum Transport Strategy Team Leicester City Council	No answer.
99.	Pegasus Planning Group	The top priority relating to the LDF is the provision of employment and housing land within the area in order to ensure that the basic needs of the society are provided.
100.	LE9 3BA	Brownfield housing with employment units. Improving and re thinking the use of leisure centres. Improved contact with local community.
101.	British Waterways	No answer.
102.	The Square, Littlethorpe, Leicester	The location of local development
103.	Leics & Rutland Federation of Women's Institutes	That development should be sustainable in the widest sense.
104.	LE9 7SE	All are important.
105.	LE2 4QX	Q8 see answer Q31
106.	Glen Parva Environment Group	Number 27
107.	J S Bloor (Services) Ltd	No answer.

108.	English Heritage	No answer.
109.	Croft Parish Plan Group	No answer.
110.	Wheatcroft & Son	No answer.
111.	Taylor Woodrow Strategic Developments.	No answer.
112.	Campaign for Dark Skies	No answer.
113.	Gordon Smith Associates.	The location of future development.
114.	Revelan Group (Gough Planning Services).	No answer.

Summary

Some 25 different issues were identified as being the most important issue in the Local Development Framework Issues Paper. The issue that most respondents considered to be most important was whether new development should take place on brownfield land before greenfield sites are developed. Protection of the built and natural environment were also seen as key issues by more than one respondent.

Q33. Do you have any suggestions as to the best way of consulting people on the LDF in the future, & who do you think should be consulted ?

No.	Respondent	Response
1.	Kirby Muxloe Parish Council	Meetings in local village halls after adequate publicity
2.	Natural Life Leicestershire County Council	No answer
3.	National Playing Fields Association,	No answer
4.	The Gypsy Council	No answer
5.	LE9 2LT	Manned exhibitions are good but were not well publicised. As far as I know, only public notices in classified adverts were used. Shouldn't houses and businesses be leafleted – perhaps at the same time as some other communications go out.
6.	Health & Safety Executive	No answer
7.	Grove Park Commercial Centre Ltd	District Council's newsletter, Parish Councils, major businesses and developers
8.	Alliance & Leicester Plc	On LDF about right
9.	LE3 2JP	Like the way this has been done or if you want wider community – through schools
10.	LE9 2DF	Open meetings in all areas
11.	LE19 3ET	The community should be encouraged to be involved – many people think that they have no voice and that BDC/LDF will act without due consideration of views
12.	Transport 2000 (Leicestershire)	Use all available media. You should also consult all the groups on your mailing lists and ask "umbrella" organisations like Blaby Council for Voluntary Services to put relevant items in their newsletters
13.	LE3 8AE	Parish Councils know their own patches
14.	Architectural Liaison Officer. Leicestershire Constabulary	No answer
15.	Jelson Limited	No answer
16.	LE18 3TH	Questionnaire in news letters to all residents

17.	A J Granger	Yes in small focus groups
18.	Cllr E A Webster-Williams	As we do it now
19.	LE9 3GB	Leaflet the houses
20.	LE3 2XH	No answer
21.	LE19 3LY	Leaflet with next year's Council charge
22.	LE3 3AB (Anon)	All adults in the relevant areas – public displays and meetings as well as questionnaires
23.	LE2 9JQ	No answer
24.	LE8 4DN	No answer
25.	LE3 8PU	Consultations are fine only if people think their views will be considered!
26.	LE8 5RH	? Apathy
27.	Leicester Forest East Parish Council	No answer
28.	Anon LE3 3LY	More public meetings should be held – information could be via newsletters/magazines (parish level) website (parish level)
29.	LE9 Anon	The public generally but not by exhibitions in village halls. They are under attended and badly publicised. Possibly randomly chosen households by post or in person plus better publicised forums
30.	LE8 6LT	No answer
31.	LE8 5RD	If you are going to have exhibitions as this time then make sure they are advertised, set up on time with everything they are supposed to have.
32.	LE19 3ET	Literature with the Council Tax. Well publicised “open” meetings. Through the schools, teachers.
33.	LE9 1SX	This is a good way but would have been better if the questionnaire had been put into the Blaby Courier which goes into each house. People are more likely to fill it in if is already in their hands. Also it needs a small map of area covered by Blaby District Council.
34.	Cllr Dilks	Presentations to specific groups, from business to parish councils, with an explanation of how their views will be taken into account, with a careful analysis from the feedback to this initial

		consultation.
35.	LE9 3GG	BDC and local PCs news letters.
36.	LE9 3BA	I feel that all Blaby residents should have been sent this questionnaire (it could have been included in the magazine).
37.	A T	No answer.
38.	LE8 5YJ	Internet/e-mail.
39.	Anon	No answer.
40.	Stoney Stanton WI	Everyone should be given the opportunity to have their say – questionnaire.
41.	Stepping Stones Countryside Management Project	No answer.
42.	LE3 8EH	a) Check that all areas are receiving the consultation – I haven't received a Blaby Chronicle for sometime (except for the recycling edition!). b) The consultation information should have gone out to all residents before you held your public exhibitions. They had almost finished before I was even aware of the consultation.
43.	Cllr Alan Tanner	Blaby Chronicle, DVDs, etc.
44.	Ford & Slater Limited	No answer.
45.	BT Group Plc	No answer.
46.	Persimmon Homes (North Midlands) Ltd	By post is a reasonable consultation process.
47.	Leicestershire County Council (Structure Plans)	<p>The technique for consulting people should be appropriate for the community you are trying to consult with, i.e. working with schools and youth groups to engage with young people. The groups of people that should be consulted:</p> <p>General public. Under represented groups such as young people, people with disabilities, black and minority ethnic groups, gypsies and travellers and farmers. Other departments within the District Authority. Statutory consultees. Interest groups. Land owners. Developers and agents, businesses.</p>

		Adjacent local authorities. Parish councils. Local Strategic Partnership.
48.	Department of Highways, Transportation and Waste Management Leicestershire County Council	As well as taking part in the formal consultation stages of the Local Plan, the County Council as Highway Authority and Local Transport Authority is happy to discuss the emerging policies and proposals of the LDF on an ongoing basis.
49.	Cllr John Kenney	Simplify the questionnaires by trying to anticipate many of the answers with tick boxes. The majority of people – especially young people shy away from filling in detailed reports.
50.	Blaby Parish Council	Don't just consult – LISTEN!
51.	Strategic Planning - SRA	No comment.
52.	Local Strategic Partnership	As widely and frequently as possible making use of the internet and LSP partner mechanisms.
53.	Woodland Trust	No comment.
54.	Glenfield Parish Council	a)Via your newsletter. b)All to be consulted. c)Readily available copies of plans at local locations.
55.	Sapcote Parish Council	Planning Process – The Local Development Framework should recognise the importance of parish councils in the planning process and the fact that they are elected by local people to represent local opinion. It should allow parish councils an automatic right to be heard at the appropriate planning committee on issues that they (Parish Councils) consider to be sensitive in respect of their areas. The right of audience should not be dependent, as at present, upon an unelected, unrepresentative member of the public wishing to be heard. Furthermore, the three minute speaking rule should be revised to ensure that parish councils are given a realistic opportunity to put their case across to district members. At present, it is a pointless exercise, especially where a parish council opposes the view of the planning officer. The planning officer has the benefit of being able to use visual aids,

		<p>distribute reports and take as much time as he wishes in order to get his views across to members. A parish council has three minutes. While it is appreciated that this proposal has the potential for adding more time to committee deliberations, it is nevertheless considered important if local opinion is to be truly represented. Indeed in a recent presentation by the Chief Planning Officer it was stated that parish council responses were a material factor in determining planning applications. This should therefore be evidenced by affording parish councils a realistic opportunity to put their cases forward in those few cases where contentious applications are under consideration. In reality, for the limited number of times the protocol is presently used, it is submitted that the above revision will have minimal effect on extending proceedings.</p>
56.	LE3 8SD	Panels and Parish Councils.
57.	Aston Flamville Parish Meeting	Local Parish Councils/Meetings should be consulted.
58.	Leicester & Rutland Society of Architects	This should have been sent to all residents /businesses – I didn't receive at home (Kilby).
59.	Cattrell Associates	No answer.
60.	LE19 4WE	Request a citizen's panel from a broad cross section of district residents/local trader people/local drivers.
61.	The National Trust	A limited number of mechanisms that seek to engage all sections of the community. Availability of all relevant documents on the Council's web site.
62.	Billington Road West Elmesthorpe	These are my thoughts on distributing information and consultation generally and apply to the Local Development Framework as well as other council information. The amount of decisions and paperwork coming out of local authorities makes it almost impossible for residents to keep up with what is happening in their area. In any event most people have very limited interest usually related to their immediate environment and just want the basics with no spin. In other words, information should be

		<p>relevant and simple. So far as planning applications are concerned, the notices placed at premises where development is proposed are ineffective. The usual A4 sheets with tiny type are useless. They should be more like a poster with an eye catching "headline" and to make sure they are seen by as many people as possible they should be placed at various strategic points – for instance in our case on the Land Settlement area this would be at the top of Bridle Path where everyone has to walk/drive by to get to their homes. For Blaby District Council, public notices in newspapers are ineffective because no one newspaper covers the whole area and advertising in several is prohibitively expensive. The provision of a regular district council "newspaper" is unnecessary and I believe people are cynical about their content. Let us know when something important is happening in our area by all means but not a publication 3-4 times a year whether there is any "news" or not. Glossy colour publications are not necessary and neither are DVDs such as that recently provided on recycling. E-mail should be used as much as possible – it costs almost nothing.</p>
63.	LE2 9HJ	<p>I certainly think that Parish Councils, Community Associations, Tenants' Associations, etc, should be consulted about the LDF. I think exhibitions in local village halls are quite a good way of consulting the general public.</p> <p>Although not part of the LDF I feel I must comment on the fact that District Councils are being asked to admit people from outside their area onto the housing waiting list. I don't know what the position is now but when I was a Councillor, it was difficult enough to satisfy the need for housing locally. Again, I think local councils are being asked to promote government policies so that the government can quote figures, and take credit for reducing homelessness.</p>
64.	LE8 4GD	The questionnaire is a sop to the public – it is meaningless in terms of consultation.
65.	Rutland Country Homes	No answer
66.	LE9 9FW	No answer.

67.	LE2 9JA	No.
68.	Braunstone Town Council	Please refer to "Action Plan" (Pages 20-26).
69.	Leicestershire County Council (Chief Executive's Department)	No answer.
70.	Network Rail	No answer.
71.	Wm Morrison Supermarkets Plc	No answer.
72.	LE19 2JJ (1)	Individual letters to all households and businesses and possibly an open forum for public discussion and debate.
73.	Thurlaston Parish Council	Visiting community groups. Do not assume problem. Have e-mail and DVDs. Not all roadshows are accessible. More impact face to face.
74.	Countesthorpe WI	No answer.
75.	LE19 2JJ (2)	Issue questionnaire to local businesses and people who live in villages to be developed.
76.	Leicester City Council (Regeneration and Culture)	No answer.
77.	Leicester City Council Investment and Development	No answer.
78.	Next plc (CgMs)	No answer.
79.	LE19 2JJ (3)	?
80.	House Builders Federation	The HBF would like to be consulted at future stages of all new planning document preparation where these in any way relate to housing provision. It is likely that the Council will need to consult widely using a range of different means and methods in order to get as wide a response as possible.

81.	LE9 9SU	Six monthly newsletter.
82.	Highways Agency	The Highways Agency would want to be consulted at each stage of the LDF process by being issued with the relevant documents. The Highways Agency would be happy to hold informal discussions in relation to the LDF process.
83.	LE9 3HD	By post, but does the info need to be such a colourful and expensive format.
84.	English Nature Eastern area Team	No answer.
85.	LE3 8AT	Ideally 3 months is required for consultation in organisation such as WI; exhibitions in all local libraries would have been one way of reaching more people.
86.	LE8 4AQ	No answer.
87.	Anon	No answer.
88.	LE19 2 JH	I think Blaby District Council could make use more of local Leicester Mercury, Hinckley Times. Seem to get more Blaby area news than the Mercury does.
89.	LE2 3TJ	Local press, local radio, public notices.
90.	LE9 3EJ	Road shows to all villages and towns, newsletters, Parish councils. All members of the community not just adults.
91.	LE19 5HG	Individual letters to all households and businesses and possibly an open forum for public discussion and debate.
92.	Housing Corporation	No answer.
93.	Development Plans Group Leicester City Council	No answer.
94.	Nottingham East Midlands Airport	No answer.
95.	Powers Estate	No answer.
96.	Thorpe Astley community Association	It would be nice if our association could be consulted or at least kept informed regarding planning on our estate. At the moment most of the information we receive comes second hand via Braunstone Town. We are a substantial and

		largely isolated community and as such are under represented at District and particularly town level council. If the Blaby District Council is truly committed to involving the community and interested groups in its planning process then it should be involving our association as we are the only body that I believe truly represents the views of our community. We all live here. If you count the number of others who claim to represent Thorpe Astley and who actually live here, you will have a very short list indeed.
97.	Blaby W.I	As many people as possible.
98.	Leicester and Leicestershire Motorcycle forum Transport Strategy Team Leicester City Council	No answer.
99.	Pegasus Planning Group	No answer.
100.	LE9 3BA	Include in Local Newsheets, short questionnaires with reply "freepost" Do you ever contact people by telephone. Write to them.
101.	British Waterways	No answer.
102.	The Square, Littlethorpe, Leicester	Public Notice. Local press
103.	Leics & Rutland Federation of Women's Institutes	No answer.
104.	LE9 7SE	This method is ok.
105.	LE2 4QX	Must always be a public forum and land owners.
106.	Glen Parva Environment Group	Your use of the Blaby Chronicle issue 10 for these questions seems to me to be ideal and it will be interesting to see the number of responses.
107.	J S Bloor (Services) Ltd	No answer.
108.	English Heritage	No answer.
109.	Croft Parish Plan Group	No answer.
110.	Wheatcroft & Son	No answer.
111.	Taylor Woodrow Strategic Developments.	No answer.

112.	Campaign for Dark Skies	No answer.
113.	Gordon Smith Associates.	Local press, Local radio, public notices etc.
114.	Revelan Group (Gough Planning Services).	No answer.

Summary

Suggested approaches to consultation supported the use of local radio, local press and public notices. Other suggestions included holding meetings in village halls, leaflet drops, DVD's, events through schools, providing information with Council tax bills, through Parish Councils (and Parish magazines), by creating a citizens' panel, other panels / focus groups and by liaising with umbrella organisations such as the Council for Voluntary Services. Some respondents considered that the approach taken was 'on the whole OK' and some concern was raised that people should not be subjected to consultation fatigue.