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Halton Parish Council response to Wendover Parish Council neighbourhood Plan

Para 2.8 *'However, it is anticipated that this development will have a significant effect on the infrastructure and service capacity of Wendover.'* While the 1000 additional houses which will be spread over 10 years will have an impact on the strategic settlement of Wendover we do not believe it will be significant as long as the development follows the Garden Village principles. Therefore the word significant should be deleted in regard to RAF Halton.

We note that no comment is made about the 9000 additional houses in the adjoining parishes of Stoke Mandeville, Weston Turville and Aston Clinton. Given the unattractiveness of Aylesbury town, and the difficulty in getting there Wendover may become the destination of choice.

Section 5.

Effectively expresses the view that overflow housing from Wendover can be met at Halton. It is our view that any development at Halton should be sustainable under Garden Village principles. Simply put in terms of good planning and good placemaking there need to be retail, employment and infrastructure in order for any housing at Halton to be considered sustainable and therefore acceptable. That will lessen the impact on Wendover without removing the impact completely because Wendover is a strategic centre.

The current VALP when approved will only have a life of say 5 years. Given the governments ongoing thirst for new housing there will be a desire for more housing. Location is a discussions to be had.

Para 5.10 . *Concerns were expressed at the current level of school provision and the limitations of the current campus. New provision at RAF Halton was seen as a potential solution.* The new provision will be in Halton after RAF Halton has closed. Although developments in Halton may only offer a partial solution as currently no secondary school provision is planned.

Section 6

It is interesting that the people of Wendover have some clear ideas about Halton and how it should be developed. While we support a lot of the statement and aspirations listed particularly the sports and heritage areas, there are a few of statements which should be clarified particularly in para 6.3

There will be a balanced housing development in Halton, it should not be distorted by the lack of adequate affordable housing within Wendover.

Public Parking in Wendover has been issue since before the Princess Mary Gate development. As the Inspector reviewing that development said ' a solution to the car parking issue is, and should be independent of that development' . We believe the solution needs to be found before 2025 and the development in Halton.

The location of secondary schooling has not been decided.

Retail needs to be developed in Halton to stop unnecessary traffic, help climate change and recognise it is a Garden Village that needs to be sustainable. That is not to say Wendover will not still attract people from Halton as a strategic centre.