## **COMMENTS FROM MRS. M. WRIGHT CC IN RELATION TO ITEM 18**

- If this development receives planning permission a Link Road will be **ESSENTIAL** to the villages of Stoney Stanton and Sapcote. The current village(s) infrastructure will not cope without it. It should also be noted that the proposed Link Road (Hinckley Road to Broughton Road) will not solve all traffic problems. It may help to reduce some traffic in the village centres but will only serve to push traffic elsewhere to other inadequate junctions in the surrounding area (e.g. Mill on the Soar). This will need to be considered carefully. The villages have highway infrastructures that are limited and cannot physically be changed (e.g. the roundabout on Long Street, Stoney Stanton by the CO-OP).
- I feel the report is balanced and provides for the community with some muchneeded additional open space and provides long term for LCC MTFS. The
  community will lose a substantial amount of countryside and open space. In
  addition, with the strong possibility of a Rail Freight terminal being agreed by
  the Secretary of State in the close vicinity, it will have an overwhelming impact
  on such small settlements.
- I am pleased to read about the additional flooding mitigation proposals and that the consortium are working with our Lead Local Flood Authority team. It is essential that the long-awaited mitigation proposal is delivered after the internal flooding of 34 properties in 2019. The Section 19 report was completed but it has taken nearly 5 years to get the business case near completion to be on the EA's programme of work. I am grateful there is full cooperation to get this LLFA scheme delivered.

