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As district Cllr for Little Clacton and Weeley I'm finding it hard to support the local plan despite the importance of its early completion. the reason ,the discovery of an development extension which has penetrated into the green gap at the motel site at the bottom of Centenary Way.

Twenty years ago planning granted permission for a motel at this site and in 2014 it was included in the draught local plan with an obvious squaring off of the plot however in the latest draught local plan an addition of further housing development has emerged coming as a complete surprise to the Parish council, Cllr Bray and myself

we believe this addition not only means extra housing but cuts into the green gap which should remain sacrosanct.

In my opinion and in most residents minds the narrowing or closing of any green area separating villages is a mistake that cannot be reversed.

The latest addition to this area has also left an irregular shape which could make it ripe for further development in the future with that old argument "IT SQUARES OFF THE AREA".

Little Clacton like a few local villages has had more than its fair percentage of housing development I believe the number of proposed dwellings is approaching 270 a disproportionate increase of 24% in the size of the village.

Although the number of extra houses is not large and the main objection remains the erosion of the green gap, the arguments surrounding any extra housing in the area,lack of infrastructure ie roads doctors,schools,jobs,hospitals remain and the fact that there not needed.

At every stage of the local plan there has been discussion of any new development however small at parish meetings but on this occasion this addition at the motel site has slipped passed the normally vigilant Parish council and its two district Cllr's either because of a short cut or a casual addition.

For the reasons above I cannot support the local plan in its present form. Cllr M A Brown.