Appendix 3 – Melton Borough Council's Member's Code of Conduct

Type in blue reflects our concerns over Cllr Wyatt's Conduct

Part 1: Principle 1 - Selflessness

You must act solely in the public interests and should never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person or act to gain financial or other material benefits for yourself, your family, a friend or close associate.

By ignoring the contents of our Neighbourhood Plan, the Local Plan and the core principles of the NPPF, we do not believe that Councillor Wyatt has acted in the public interest.

Principle 4 - Accountability

You are **accountable for your decisions to the public** and you must co-operate fully with whatever scrutiny is appropriate to your office.

- Cllr Wyatt went against the contents of the Melton Plan, which identifies this site as "reserve". A Plan which weeks earlier he had voted in favour of. Should he not have voted against the Local Plan if he did not agree with its contents?
- Voted against, and led the Planning Committee to vote against, the substantial weight of the Neighbourhood Plan and with it the Localism Act by proposing to PERMIT Canal Lane Planning Application.
- Went against the core principles of the NPPF, in which he should be well versed

Principle 5 and 6 - Openness and Honesty

You must be as **open as possible about your decision and actions** and the decision and actions of your authority and **should be prepared to give reasons for those decisions and actions**.

• We do not believe that the reasons given by Cllr Wyatt were considered planning reasons for Permitting the Canal Lane application.

General Obligations

- 3. You must treat others with respect See Appendix 1.
 - B) bully any person See Appendix 1.
 - C) intimidate or attempt to intimidate any person who is likely to be
 - (i) a complainant See Appendix 1.
- D) do anything which compromises or is likely to compromise the impartiality of those who work for or on behalf of your authority see Appendix 2.
- 7. 1) When reaching decisions on any matter you must have regard to any relevant

- advice provided to you by officers of the Council acting pursuant to their statutory responsibilities see Appendix 2.
- 2) You must give reasons for all decisions in accordance with any statutory requirements and any reasonable additional requirements imposed by your authority See Appendix 2