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Dear Sir / Madam,

ROTHERHAM LOCAL PLAN: SITES AND POLICIES DPD

Thank you for consulting with the Home Builders Federation on the Rotherham Local Plan Sites and Policies DPD Proposed Main Modifications.

The HBF is the principal representative body of the house-building industry in England and Wales. Our representations reflect the views of our membership, which includes multi-national PLC's, regional developers and small, local builders. In any one year, our members account for over 80% of all new "for sale" market housing built in England and Wales as well as a large proportion of newly built affordable housing.

The Council will be aware that the HBF provided comments upon previous iterations of the Local Plan, the following comments are provided in light of the points previously provided.

MM12 - SP11: Five Year Housing Supply

The HBF is supportive of the deletion of this policy, as previously set out within our comments we do not consider it to be sound or in accordance with national guidance.

MM16 - SP16: Land Identified for Industrial and Business Uses

The deletion of the wording 'development proposals within Use Classes C2, C3 and C4 will not be acceptable' is an improvement to this policy.

MM36 - SP 60 Sustainable Construction

The amendment to this policy to make specific reference to non-residential development is in line with comments made previously by the HBF.

Future Engagement

I trust that the Council will find these comments useful as it continues to progress its Local Plan. Please notify the HBF of the publication of the Inspector's report, the adoption of the Local Plan or any future hearing sessions. Please use the contact details provided below for future correspondence.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanne Harding', written in a cursive style.

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