Home Builders Federation

Hearing Session: Issue 4

RUSHMOOR LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION

Issue 4. Whether the Council will be able to demonstrate a five year supply of housing land on adoption of the LP?

Q7. Is the Council's preferred approach of meeting undersupply over the remaining plan period (the Liverpool method) rather than over the first five years (the Sedgefield method) justified?

Planning Practice Guidance is clear that any undersupply should be addressed within 5 years (the Sedgefield method) and this approach should be adopted by the Council. Such an approach will ensure that homes which are needed now are delivered and not put off until much later in the plan period. Given the Council's has a healthy land supply on the basis of their published trajectory in section 15 of the draft submission Local Plan there is no justification for straying from national guidance.

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