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## Request/Response

- 1. The name, area covered and status of your Local Plan (ie draft/ adopted) and dates of adoption where appropriate and the dates it will run from and to (ie approved Feb 2015 to run 2014-2034).*

The Rother District Local Plan 2011 - 2028 is composed of two parts. The [Core Strategy](#) (Part 1) was adopted 29 September 2014. The [Development and Site Allocations \(DaSA\) Local Plan](#) (Part 2) is at Examination (currently awaiting the Inspector's report).

- 2. The Objectively Assessed Housing Need (OAHN) by year and in total over the plan period and the makeup of that need eg. yearly need of 500 homes which is 10,000 over the 20 year plan. 300 is demographic need, 150 economic growth, 30 is to improve affordability and 20 is for student growth.*

The Objectively Assessed Housing Need for Rother, as identified in the [Strategic Housing Market Assessment \(SHMA\) Update](#), is 6,180 over the 17 years from 2011 to 2028. This equates to an average of 363 dwellings per annum. Of the 6,180 total dwellings, 1,647 are accounted for by Affordable Housing need.

- 3. Who did the OAHN or SHMA (Strategic Housing Market Assessment) report (ie which Company or was it produced by Council)?*

The SHMA Update was produced by Wessex Economics in June 2013. The evidence relating to the SHMA and other material evidence was brought together in the Council's [Summary of Sustainable Housing Growth background paper](#) in July 2013.

- 4. What is the housing target and if different from the OAHN (ie lower or higher) what is the justification (ie what constraints were applied or reasons for exceeding the need)?*

The adopted housing target for Rother is 5,700. Reasoning for the reduction from the 6,178 identified in the SHMA Update can be found on pages 33 and 34 of the [Core Strategy](#).

- 5. What percentage of housing development in the Plan is on Brownfield / Greenfield / protected land (ie 65% brownfield, 35% Greenfield of which 25% is Greenbelt / other ie AONB or National Park)?*

Of the 1,562 dwellings allocated in the Development and Site Allocations (DaSA) Local Plan, 24% on brownfield land, of which 12% is within the High Weald AONB. With a further 76% on greenfield land, of which 26% in within the High Weald AONB. Please note, there are further allocations within Neighbourhood Plans which are not accounted for within this response.

6. *Will developers pay CIL or Section 106 and is there a brief table to explain fees including the expected percentage of affordable housing?*

S106 are used for infrastructure needed to make a development acceptable in planning terms, so in some instances S106's are used for this purpose.

Information about CIL in Rother can be found here: <http://www.rother.gov.uk/CIL>.

Affordable housing requirements, as proposed in the submitted DaSA, are set out below.

Area	On-site AH provision	Minimum site size	
		Dwellings	Hectares
Bexhill	30%	15	0.5
Battle	35%	10	0.3
Rye	30%	10	0.3
Rural Areas	40%	10	0.3
Rural Areas (within AONB)	40%	6	0.2
Hastings Fringes	30%	15	0.5

7. *Were responses from the consultations written in a way where the level of support or objection could be measured and if yes, what percentage supported or objected to the Local Plan?*

This question is not specific. The Core Strategy went through five iterations of consultation so it is not clear which consultation process this question refers to.