

Appendix 2

Revised Local Plan Paragraphs 1.24 to 1.28

Neighbouring Local Authorities and the Duty to Cooperate

1.23 In October 2012, Blackpool Council requested that Fylde Council provide 14Ha of employment land to assist in meeting Blackpool's requirement to 2027. Blackpool provided its 2012 Employment Land Update which evidenced why this employment land could not be provided within Blackpool's administrative area. Fylde Council accepted this evidence and an additional 14Ha of employment land (to meet Blackpool's needs) was identified in the Fylde Local Plan.

1.24 Wyre Council wrote to Fylde Council in May 2016, under the Duty Cooperate, to request that Fylde Council assist Wyre Council in meeting its objectively assessed housing need. The Objectively Assessed Need (OAN) figures for the three Fylde Coast Authorities originate from the ranges set out in the original SHMA 2014 and its updates which considered revised population and household formation data. For Wyre Council this gave an OAN of between 400 and 479 dwellings per annum from 2011 to 2031. Wyre Council considers 479 dwellings per annum to be an appropriate housing requirement figure which ties in with their economic evidence and this figure was accepted by Wyre Council on 14th April 2016.

1.25 Wyre Council has identified that the supply of deliverable land is constrained by three main issues:

- Highway capacity, in particular on the A585(T), and A6 and also at Junctions 1 and 3 on the M55
- Flood Risk
- Green Belt

1.26 Wyre Council's evidence base in relation to these issues remains incomplete and the exact extent of their unmet need is still unknown as the precise numbers of homes that will need to be delivered outside Wyre Council's administrative area has not yet been assessed. It is also unclear at this stage what provision, if any, other neighbouring authorities will be able to make. The difficulty has arisen because of timing: the production of plans has not been aligned.

1.27 Fylde Council recognises that Wyre Council have identified difficulties in planning to meet its objectively-assessed need for housing. Any need that remains unmet following the adoption of Wyre's Local Plan will need to be addressed. Fylde Council will undertake an early review of the Fylde Local Plan (whether full or partial) to examine this issue, working with other authorities adjoining Wyre under the Duty to Co-Operate. The objective of this process would be to ensure that any unmet need is met within the Housing Market Area and/or in other appropriate locations, where consistent with the achievement of sustainable development.

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