

## Comment

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**Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?** Yes

**Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound (positively prepared, effective and Justified)** No

**If your comment(s) relate to a specific site within a core policy please select this from the drop down list.** N/A

If you think your comment relates to the DtC, this is about how we have worked with the Duty to Cooperate bodies (such as neighbouring planning authorities)

**Q3 Do you consider the Local Plan complies with the Duty to Co-operate?** Yes

**Q4 Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.**

To make Core Policy 4 sound, in terms of being 'justified' against Paragraph 182 of the NPPF, the housing supply table incorporated within the policy should state the following number of dwellings for Valley Park, within the South East Vale Sub-Area:

**"At least 2,550"** (i.e. words "at least" should be added to this number of dwellings). It would also be more positive if a reference could be made to the fact that the site has significantly more capacity than 2,550, albeit some of this may fall outside the plan period. This will allow for a more comprehensive proposal for the site, with a better recognition of infrastructure provision.

This alteration would bring the policy in line with the Council's evidence base, as well as in line with the Development Template to which the policy refers.

(Note that we make separate representations to the Site Development Template for Valley Park contained in Appendix A, as referred to by this policy).

**Please note** your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested modification, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations based on the original representation at publication stage.

**After this stage, further submissions will be only at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for examination.**

**Q6 If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?** Yes - I wish to participate at the oral examination

**Please note** the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination.

**Q7 If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:**

We represent the promoters of this site and it is important that we are able to explain the work that we have undertaken on capacity testing.