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MID DEVON LOCAL PLAN REVIEW PROPOSED MAIN MODIFICATIONS

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to your email dated 7 January inviting comments on the main modifications.

As I understand it from the inspector's post-hearing advice note there is concern with regard to maintaining a 5-year supply of deliverable housing sites.

The inspector suggests four possible remedies to address this shortfall.

I would suggest that consideration be given to a fifth alternative which is the allocation or encouragement for development of appropriate sites in key villages which have a reasonable range of community services and facilities.

A good example is a site at Morchard Bishop which I made a pre-application enquiry about last year. This site, together with adjoining land, is available for development immediately and could accommodate up to 30 dwellings, including affordable dwellings. This would materially assist in preserving the viability of the settlement and in particular its primary school. It would also support other services including the village shop and public house.

There may also be other sites in other settlements which would help towards meeting the defined shortfall.

Yours faithfully NIGEL CANT