

Participant	Mr Shaun Pettitt Chapman Lily Planning Ltd	Rep ID	1578
		Date response received	14 <sup>th</sup> May 2015
Representing	Persimmon Homes South West Ltd	Response reference number	MHD027
MHD / Change reference commented on	MHD006, MHD017		
Summary of comment	Support the Council's proposed recommendation set out in MHD006 to extend the Plan period to cover the period from 2011-2031. Support the approach of increasing housing target to 285 dwellings per annum equating to 5700 dwellings over the 20 year period to 2031. Support the Council's conclusion set out in MHD017 that there is insufficient locally derived evidence to justify the adoption of the nationally described standards for new housing.		
Council's response	The support on the above issues is welcomed.		
Conclusions	No further action is required.		



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Summary of comment	Council has failed to adequately demonstrate that the approach to growth in Gillingham is deliverable in its current form in light of the absence of any identified solution to enable the expansion of Gillingham High School to accommodate the current and forecast growth in pupil numbers. Persimmon Homes South West Ltd has repeatedly offered, through representations to the Plan process, the opportunity to make available land within their control adjacent to the existing School as additional school playing fields brought forward as part of a residential- led development. The land at Windyridge Farm and Woodwater Farm is available and deliverable, and could be brought forward immediately as an early initial phase of development to meet the immediate needs of the Town. To this end, we can confirm that our client's would welcome a dialogue with both the Local Planning Authority and Local Education Authority to explore the delivery options for the site.		
Council's response	Discussions with Dorset County Council have indicated that there is a need to increase provision of secondary school places at Gillingham. Their proposed approach to achieve this is through the 'expansion of Gillingham High School and the replacement of temporary accommodation'. The need for this increased provision is 'critical' as set out in the Infrastructure Delivery Plan (SUD020).		
	Further discussions with Dorset County Council have indicated that the 'critical' element of increased secondary provision is the construction of new school buildings. They have indicated that this can be accommodated within the boundaries of the existing site and therefore further expansion outside of the existing boundaries is not necessary to meet the growth needs of the town.		
	Policy 19 – Gillingham and Policy 21 Gillingham Southern Extension both allow for the expansion of the Gillingham High School in accordance with the information received from Dorset County Council.		
Conclusions	No further action is required.		