Comment

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Q1. To which document do your comments relate?	Supporting Evidence - Housing Need and Characteristics
Q2. Do you wish to?	Make observations

Q3. Please provide your comments below making clear which part of the document you are referring to (specifying relevant paragraphs, tables, figures, boxes or appendices).

The Council has some concerns regarding the "Housing Need and Characteristics – Supporting Evidence – January 2018", in particular that the housing growth figures are based on census data alone, and there has not been any modelling to scale up the housing need based on the latest population projections. There is also a danger of there being quite an insular approach. Housing is a pressure at borough level and people move around the borough; as such, it would be unrealistic to assume the new homes will be to meet very local need.

Section 4.0 in the *Supporting Evidence - Housing Need and Characteristics* section is a copy of the Council's Housing Need Profile from last year. It is probably worth noting that the data in this isn't static and an updated version for this year will be available soon. Similarly, Section 5.0 refers to the Council's Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) from 2015, the latest SHMA is due to publish early in 2020.

Refer also to the schedule of comments on the submission draft neighbourhood plan.

Q5. Do you wish to be notified of the Council's decision under Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulation 2012 whether to accept the Examiners' recommendation? (please tick) Yes, please notify me of the Council's decision

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