

Examination of the New East Devon Local Plan 2006-26

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Climate Change

1. Under its Housing Standards Review consultation the Government is proposing to set sustainable building standards at a national level through the Building Regulations and remove locally set standards. On this basis should Strategy 38 be amended to remove references to the Code for Sustainable Homes and BREEAM?
2. Are the requirements of Strategies 38, 40 and 41 unduly onerous and what impact will they have on the viability and hence delivery of the new houses and employment the District needs?
3. Strategy 40 refers to the viability of providing decentralised energy networks, does this relate to technical or financial viability?
 - 3a. What evidence supports the 4 ha/200 dwelling threshold?
 - 3b. Given that consumers have the right to choose their energy suppliers can the Council require connections to existing networks?
 - 3c. Is it reasonable to require developers to make provision to connect to a proposed network? What is meant by proposed?
4. Does Strategy 39 comply with Planning practice guidance for renewable and low carbon energy?
5. Given that consumers have the right to choose their energy suppliers is it legitimate for the Council, through Policy D6, to dictate what type of heating residents install?

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