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**Other party name (if relevant):** Bloor Homes Exeter

**Proposal:**

5. Development in the Towns and Villages

**1. To which part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter does your representation relate?:** Policy

**1(a). Please write down the paragraph, policy or figure number that your representation relates to.:** SD06

**1(b). Does your comment relate to one of the changes listed above?:** Yes

**1(c). If the comment is related to a site, please state the site reference here.:**  
Sidm\_02, Sidm\_35

**3. Do you consider that this part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter is sound?:** No

**3(b). If no, please give details of why you consider this part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter is not sound. Please be as precise as possible.:** As set out in representations made at the 1st Regulation 19 stage (and notwithstanding changes made in the 2nd consultation version), it is not clear that the status and potential for development at Sidmouth (confirmed by its status as a Main Centre in the Spatial Strategy at Policy SP01) has been reflected in the policies and allocations in the plan, especially where other lower tier settlements continue to be proposed for higher levels of development. The proposed delivery of housing at Sidmouth over the plan period will unlikely be sufficient to meet local needs, and is not a proportionate response to the role and function of Sidmouth as a key main centre. This issue is compounded by the reduced level of housing provision which is being made by the plan overall, which is below the local housing needs set by national government policy. Land to the North of the Town at Sidford High Street (comprising LP\_Sidm\_02 and LP\_Sidm\_35) remains available for development, and the basis for the exclusion of this site, is not clear, on the basis that it is an otherwise suitable and deliverable site, and offers the opportunity for significant new strategic open space (as a public park), which would be an asset to the town and which would help to mitigate impacts that might otherwise occur in respect of the landscape in this area. In respect of the proposed allocation at Woolbrook Road (Sidm\_01) it is not clear what evidence supports the increase in capacity at this site from 127 to 160 homes, when it is necessary for the site to provide an appropriate contextual design response and meet policy requirements for (amongst other things) biodiversity net gain.

**5. If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?:** Yes, I wish to participate in hearing session(s)

**6. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary.:** To elaborate on issues raised and respond as appropriate during hearings.