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Dear Mrs Copsey

Response to consultation on 2018-based household projections

Feering Parish Council thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Implications of the 2018-based Household Projections for the Housing Requirements in the section 1 plan. I set out Feering Parish Council's response below:

Q1 Do you consider that the publication of the 2018- based household projections represent a meaningful change in the housing situation from the situation that existed when I produced my letter of 27 June 2018 [IED/023]?

FPC The data does not reflect the data available now. The draft Local Plan (published 2017) uses 2014-based data. The Inspector's letter of 2 July 2020 sets out the 2014, 2016 and 2018 based data streams. For Braintree District, the 2018-based household of 69,000 for 2033 represents a meaningful change compared with the 2014-based household projection figure of 75,000 and the 2016-based household projection figure of 72,000. The 2018-based figure is significantly lower, being 46% of the 2014-based figure that was available when the Local Plan was published. Feering Parish Council disagrees with the retention of OAHN numbers – now called housing requirement numbers - for Braintree District published by Braintree District Council. The numbers must be reduced.

Q2 If so, what are the implications of that change for the soundness of the housing requirement figures in the submitted Section 1 Plan

FPC Feering Parish Council believe that this makes the figures in Section 1 of the Plan unsound.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

Lisa Collins

Clerk to Feering Parish Council