

Wyre Council Local Plan Partial Review Examination

Matter 1 Hearing Statement

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MATTER 1: INTRODUCTION TO THE HEARINGS, LEGAL COMPLIANCE, PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS AND THE DUTY TO COOPERATE

Issue 2: The Duty to Cooperate

Q3: Does the LP (and/or the supporting information such as the DtC statement) need to be modified to reflect the position that Wyre can now meet all of its housing need, notwithstanding the provisions of the Partial Review of Fylde Local Plan?

- **1.1.1** Gladman do not support and are concerned by the Council's attempt to reduce the housing requirement and consider the approach to be unsound and ultimately restrict housing delivery.
- 1.1.2 Reducing the housing requirement has implications on unmet housing need within the district and implications for Fylde and their recently adopted Partial Review of the Local Plan. Therefore, if the Inspectors were to find the reduced housing requirement soundly based, then the Local Plan and DtC statement would have to be amended to align with this position.