I am writing in response to your Information request:

**ER66076**

If your local authority has agreed a local plan, how many homes do you aim to be built within your authority as part of the plan

**Response:**

The adopted Local Plan dates was originally adopted in 1999 and covered the period 1991 to 2006. Policy H1 made provision for a net increase of 3,500 net additional dwellings in this period, however as a result of its time limited nature, the policy was not saved and is no longer relevant in planning decisions.


If your local authority does not have a local plan, how many homes do you aim to be built within your authority over the next 20 years

The council currently monitors the delivery of dwellings against the requirement set out in the South East Plan of 346 net additional dwellings per annum for the Royal Borough. Whilst the related policies have now been revoked by the government, the South East Plan remains the best information currently available.

**Response:**

At the time of writing the council is consulting on a Borough Local Plan Preferred Options document. The emerging Borough Local Plan has yet to reach the stage of setting a new housing requirement. Whilst supporting evidence includes an assessment of the objectively assessed housing need for the housing market area of which the Royal Borough is a part, and the portion of that need attributable to the Royal Borough, the robustness of this evidence has not been tested through consultation or examination. Further, how housing need should be addressed across the housing market area is subject to ongoing engagement between relevant local authorities.

If you are unhappy with the information we have provided in response to your request please write to:

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Please send any feedback to the Information Management Team Manager either by e-mail martin.tubbs@rbwm.gov.uk or in writing to the address above.

Yours sincerely

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