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## WYRE FOREST LOCAL PLAN, MATTER 2

Local Housing Need and the Need for Employment Land

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Appendix 2.5 Note: Para 6 and Table 1 Adjusted

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*As a result of the Government's decision not to pursue the New Standard Methodology and instead increase housing provision in the 20 largest town and cities (including Wolverhampton) the figures for the Black Country in Para 6 and Table 1 of my Matter 2 statement are now incorrect. This note gives the corrected figures, including the 35% Wolverhampton uplift. It does not change the text.<sup>1</sup>*

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6. It is also worth noting the stress placed by the Council on in-migration which accounts for Wyre Forest's population's growth. In terms of the most immediate neighbour to Wyre Forest, the Black Country, they are relying on the ONS2014 figures, even though the ONS2016 figures would reduce their housing need by 16758 (17,081) over their plan period (2019-2038) (or 8189 using ONS2018). More widely the Combined Authority councils would see an overall reduction, both in the ONS2016 and again in the ONS2018 figures (See Appendix 2.1 Table 7).

Table 1

Black Country Housing Need 2019-2038	Annual rate	Plan Period (19 Years)	Green Belt Requirement based on supply figure of 44,541 given in Black Country Urban Capacity Study.
SM ONS 2018	3545	67355 (6232+)	<b>22814</b>
SM ONS 2016	3094	58786 (3857+)	<b>14245</b>
SM ONS 2014	3976	75544 (4180+)	<b>31003</b>

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<sup>1</sup> [Government response to the local housing need proposals in "Changes to the current planning system" - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/changes-to-the-current-planning-system)