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Thank you for your invitation to make representations to the re-consultation on all Main Modifications to the Breckland Local Plan.

On behalf of our client Blue Oak Developments Ltd we made representations to the previous Main Modifications consultation in March 2019 in respect of Policy HOU04 and the accompanying methodology in Appendix 5.

It was requested that the methodology wording be amended from its current form in setting an absolute target for the level of housing to be accommodated in each settlement to better reflect the wording in Policy HOU04 which acknowledges that that new development should not lead to the number of dwellings in the settlement increasing by 'significantly' more than 5%. It was also requested that the figures for each settlement in Appendix 5 be identified as being a minimum.

We are pleased that these comments have been taken into account in **MM159** to include the new wording in the methodology to state that 'development should not lead to the number of dwellings in the settlement increasing by significantly more than 5%...' along with the deletion of previous wording which stated that the methodology set out the 'maximum number of dwellings which could be permitted within the plan period for each settlement.' We also note that Policy HOU02 is proposed to be amended by **MM14** to confirm that overall housing targets for the Villages with Boundaries are 'minimum' figures.

We acknowledge that these changes provide some flexibility as requested and accordingly support the above Main Modifications as proposed.

I would be grateful if these comments could be passed to the Inspector.

Kind regards

Emily Warner