

Housing Reg 19

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1. What type of respondent are you?

Member of the Public

2. What Housing policy you are commenting on

H5 - Delivering Affordable Housing

3. Does your comment relate to a specific paragraph(s)? if yes which paragraph does this relate to?

general comment on this housing policy

4. In relation to the policy or paragraph you are commenting on, do you consider the Island Planning Strategy for submission to be legally compliant?

Yes

5. Please give details to support your answer to question 4

- **Yes - legally compliant**

6. In relation to the policy or paragraph you are commenting on, do you consider the Island Planning Strategy for submission to be sound?

Yes - consistent with national policy

8. What modifications do you think are needed to make the Island Planning Strategy legally compliant and/or sound?

Locations outside of the primary settlements, secondary settlements and rural service centres should be allowed to provide affordable housing within village settings outside of settlement boundaries. There is a particular problem with rural villages in the west Wight in particular, which are largely occupied by wealthier retirees, second home owners or rented out as holiday homes. Families and younger persons are priced out of these locations, and with no new housing allowed to be built, the settlements are becoming ghost villages, with no sense of community, the dying off of local clubs and organisations, and lack of pupil numbers in local schools. More affordable homes for young families are desperately needed and there should be an exception to provide such dwellings within or next to rural villages.

9. Do you have any comments on the policies map?

No.

11. Do you wish to request to appear at the hearing sessions that will take place?

No

12. Please outline why you would like to attend?

n/a