



Craven Local Plan Examination

Matter 2

Objectively Assessed Need and Housing Requirement (Policy SP1)

**Supplementary information on the 2016 based
sub national population and household
projections**

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Introduction

This note responds to the Craven Local Plan Examination Inspector's request for the Council to set out its position with regard to the recently published 2016-based sub-national population and household projections. It is supported by the following two documents:

- Updating the Demographic Evidence: 2016-based population and household projections
- Impact of updated demographic baseline data on objectively assessed housing need

Craven District Council's position

The Council's position is the same as the conclusions set out in the second document referred to above. This is that having reviewed the new demographic statistics, it can be concluded there is no substantial variation from the evidence presented in the 2017 SHMA update.

The PPG (ID2a -016) suggests that a 'meaningful change in the housing situation' as a result of updated household projections should be considered but recognises that housing assessments are not made automatically out of date by new household projections. It is clear that the scale of change indicated by the new information does not amount to a meaningful change.

Therefore, the objectively assessed need calculation presented in the 2017 SHMA update (Ho013) remains appropriate for Craven district and the Local Plan housing target for Craven based on this evidence remains sound.