

## Matter 4 - Settlement Hierarchy, Spatial Distribution of Housing and Housing Site Selection Process

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4.6 - 4.10 are each questions that are relevant to the PC's concerns.

It appears that the distribution of development has been capacity led and has little to do with objectively assessed need. (4.6) The distribution is clearly not optimal based on results from the SA. (4.6) Local need in East Bergholt based on 2019 Housing Need Survey has been ignored.

It is unclear what sites BDC consider to be strategic. The Allocation is based on sites with Permission but should these lapse would the Allocation remain, given that it is based on Permissions granted not justified local need? (4.7,4.8)

4.9 This statement would appear to suggest Strategy has NOT driven this plan.

4.10 The sites allocated in East Bergholt are simply those with Permission. No other justification, but as they provide considerable capacity over and above evidence based local need the PC have accepted the Allocation.