

Participant	Mr Malcolm Brown	Rep ID	3076
		Date response received	14 <sup>th</sup> May 2015
Representing	Mr Vernon Knapper	Response reference number	MHD033
MHD / Change reference commented on	MHD007		
Summary of comment	The respondent welcomes NDDC's reappraisal of strategic policy for development in the countryside. The respondent supports the retention of settlement boundaries around Stalbridge and eighteen of the identified More Sustainable Villages (MSV).  826 dwellings spread across 19 settlements is however unlikely to do much to support a prosperous rural economy. An average of 43 dwellings per settlement spread over 20 years is unlikely to secure the retention of facilities much less the provision of new ones. The respondent would therefore recommend through LP2 a review of settlement boundaries to explore the potential for a greater level of development to secure the NPPF aims for a prosperous rural economy.		
Council's response	The Council acknowledges the respondent's support for the reappraisal of strategic development in the countryside and the retention of settlement boundaries around Stalbridge and the eighteen More Sustainable villages.  The Council also acknowledges the respondent's concerns about supporting a prosperous rural economy, the retention/provision of new facilities in the countryside, and the recommended review of settlement boundaries through LP2 to explore the potential for a greater level of development.		
Conclusions	The respondent introduces no new issues for consideration at this stage and no further action is required.		