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Dear Sandra,

**Gloucestershire Local Development Guide (GLDG) Refresh 2020)**

It has been brought to my attention from other developers that Gloucester County Council are submitting evidence to planning applications and consultation responses as shown below:

*"The PPRs were last updated in autumn 2019 following the receipt of a report from an independent research company, Cognisant. This report was commissioned to survey and assess the number of children arising out of new housing developments, in accordance with the DfE guidance.*

*The study was jointly commissioned by GCC and local housebuilders - Crest Strategic Projects, Redrow Homes Ltd and Taylor Wimpey Strategic Land.*

*A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between those housebuilders and GCC, agreeing the methodology, and that the findings of the report would be collectively accepted. The report was completed in the summer of 2019 and published on the Council's website shortly after."*

I draw your attention to our representations submitted to the Gloucestershire Local Development Guide (GLDG) Refresh 2020 dated 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

You will note that, "Redrow's involvement as commissioning partner of baseline PPR (Pupil Produce Ratios) search should not be viewed in any way as an endorsement of the document."

The Memorandum of Understanding was agreed upon the basis that:

- The final report to the Extended Study needs to be signed off by all four parties.

- Following sign off, all parties will give full weight to the PPRs generated as a result of the Extended Study.
- GCC will not finalise the Local Developers Guide until after the final Extended Study report is issued and will incorporate the PPRs generated as a result of the Extended Study.
- The commissioning of the Extended Study does not prejudice the Developers subject to this Memorandum of Understanding (CSP, RHL and TWSL) from submitting representations on aspects of the Local Developers Guide other than the updated PPRs.

The PPR's have not been signed off by all parties.

Please can you ensure that in any future correspondence to planning applications that the County are clear that we commissioned but do not endorse the findings as noted within our representations and above.

Should you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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