

SB5

AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEED AND SUPPLY IN WEALDEN DISTRICT - ERRATA

July 2025

1.1. This errata corrects paragraphs 2.5, 2.7, 2.11 and 2.13 and Table 1 of the originally submitted **SB5**. The correction are now consistent with the agreed position at paragraph 4.28 of the SOCG (**CD4.1**).

1.2. Paragraph 2.5 is corrected as follows:

Table 7.19 of the LHNA also indicates that there is a further net annual need for at least 335 affordable homes for ownership in the District. This is consequently a total annual need for 854 affordable homes. This is reflected in Table 1.

1.3. Paragraph 2.7 is corrected as follows:

The delivery of affordable housing falls considerably short of the 331dpa or 854dpa requirements in the SHMA or the LHNA.

1.4. Table 1 is corrected as follows:

Table 1: Affordable Housing Completions compared to SHMA and LHNA

Year	Affordable Delivery ¹	Compared to SHMA (2016)		Compared to LHNA (2021)	
		331dpa	Annual Shortfall	854dpa	Annual Shortfall
2013/14	201	331	-130		
2014/15	193	331	-138		
2015/16	82	331	-249		
2016/17	81	331	-250		
2017/18	144	331	-187		
2018/19	130	331	-201		
2019/20	273	331	-58	854	-581
2020/21	275	331	-56	854	-579
2021/22	176	331	-155	854	-678
2022/23	218	331	-113	854	-636
2023/24	371	331	40	854	-483
Total	2,144	3,641	-1,497	4,270	-2,957

¹ Sourced from AMR (indicators 3B & 3C). This does not indicate any differentiation within the affordable tenure i.e. shared ownership or social rent.

1.5. Paragraph 2.11 is corrected as follows:

It also represents an under provision of 2,957 affordable dwellings as assessed by the Wealden LHNA (2021) to achieve the minimum annual requirement of 854 affordable units.

1.6. Paragraph 2.13 is corrected as follows:

As the table above indicates, between April 2013 and March 2024, there has been a cumulative under-delivery of 1,497 affordable dwellings (when assessed against identified needs). This represents a 41% shortfall against assessed affordable housing needs during this period. Compared to the LHNA, there is a cumulative deficit of **2,957** dwellings (69.3% shortfall). These are very acute gaps in provision which affects Wealden District and how it functions in an economic, social and environmentally sustainable way².

² See paragraph 88 of the Soudes Place Appeal Decision (**CD11.19**) about the consequences of not providing enough affordable homes.