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Good Afternoon,

Homes England would like to re-iterate the points raised in relation to the previous Local Plan consultation in 2023 (see attached previous response for ease of reference). These comments were made by WSP on behalf of Homes England in its capacity as landowner and promoter of the St. Martin's West site in Canterbury. An outline planning application (Reference CA/23/02254) has since been submitted for the development of the site.

With regard to BNG, further to the points raised in our previous representations, we would like to note that 10% is mandatory for sites submitted after the legislation was brought into effect, but the evidence still needs to be provided and examined to justify a requirement of 20%. Whilst Homes England is committed to achieving gain, 10% is not a mandatory requirement for the St. Martin's West application as it was submitted prior to 10% BNG becoming mandatory.

Kind regards,  
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