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Mr Colum Boyle
Permanent Secretary
Department for Communities
(by email)

Date: 3rd October 2023

Dear Mr Boyle,

Re: DfC Housing Supply Strategy: Building 100,000 Homes.

Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council is currently preparing a Local Development Plan (LDP) which sets out a 15 year framework for the development of its Council area. In doing so the Council must take account of central government strategies, including the Department for Communities (DfC) Housing Supply Strategy. While it is acknowledged that the strategy remains in draft format, we must consider any likely future impacts arising for our LDP Spatial Growth Strategy.

The Council notes that the draft Housing Supply Strategy sets out the Department's aim to build upwards of 100,000 homes (in the period 2022-2037), at least one third of which are to be social housing, and a significant number of intermediate homes. However, the roles of specific parties, their extent of influence and ability to deliver the longer-term policies and interventions across all of the housing market are unclear.

In order to consider the impact for this Borough, clarification is sought on the following:

1. Who will build these homes, and if it is the intention of DfC to contribute to these measures.
2. How the proposal to build these 100,000 homes sits with the Northern Ireland Housing Growth Indicators (HGIs) which must be taken account of when preparing their LDPs; and
3. What is the provision allocation to Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council.

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I look forward to receiving your response to further inform the preparation of our draft Plan Strategy.

Yours sincerely,



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