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## Technical Consultation on implementing measures to improve build out transparency

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Hello

I am responding to the above consultation with a general point on behalf of rural councils.

We are the Rural Services Network, a special interest group of the Local Government Association.

The RSN has no particular comments in relation to this working paper, aside from the resources required for the Local Planning Authority to administer these schemes, which need to be fairly resourced. Historically the lack of funding for rural councils where urban councils get 40% more in Government Funded Spending Power, has meant limited resources for rural councils where the cost of delivering services is higher. The requirements to manage the reporting requirements of Build Out Statements within rural councils must be resourced effectively so that they are able to provide that monitoring role.

Many thanks

Kerry

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Please note, I work 4 days a week – my days vary but I will get back to you as soon as possible.



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