

Appendix 4 – Housing Land Audit 2019

The Housing Land Audit (HLA) supplements the LDP by providing an up to date measurement of the amount and availability of housing land in the area on an annual basis. The HLA records the number of housing completions each year and sets out the predicted programming of when new housing will be built. The HLA records both the effective housing land supply, which is capable of being developed in the next 5 years, and the longer-term supply. The supply in the audit is comprised of sites that are currently allocated in the LDP and any new developments which have achieved planning consent since the LDP was examined.

Work on the 2020 HLA was due to commence on 01 April 2020 however as a result of the Covid-19 Pandemic, which resulted in the shutdown of all construction works in Scotland from 23 March 2020, preparation of the 2020 audit has been delayed. The 2019 Audit therefore forms the basis of the figures used in the Proposed Plan for addressing future housing needs and demands. The audit has a base date of 31 March 2019 and all information is based on information which is current at that time. The audit is an electronic publication and is available to view on the Council's website during the Proposed Plan consultation.

The Council is required to consult with Homes for Scotland on the audit, who are the industry body representing house builders. The purpose of this is to provide industry feedback on the likely pace of development and to ensure that the programming in the audit is as realistic as is possible. The 2019 HLA has been agreed with Homes for Scotland with no disputed sites.