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Dear Ms Severn

Thank you for your letter dated 14 August regarding the Secretary of State's decision to increase the overall level of housing provision in the South West.

I support the Secretary of State's decision as I am very aware of the need for more homes in the area. I appreciate that there will be an impact on the local infrastructure, and realise that this will need to be carefully managed.

Whilst I appreciate the concerns of CPRE to protect the countryside and the environment generally, I feel that there is an over-riding need for more housing and am happy for you to publish my view as set out in this letter.

Yours sincerely

Dr Doug Naysmith MP