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Principle	Key Considerations
Necessity	All local validation requirements should help understanding of how the proposed development implements or does not undermine national or adopted development plan policies.
Precision	It should be clear where geographically the information requirement arises. It should be clear precisely what types of development require the provision of supporting information.
Proportionality	Where possible, the local validation requirements should identify size thresholds below which the information is not required Where possible, a graduated approach should be taken to the information required (e.g. dependent on the scale or sensitivity of the proposal).
Fitness for purpose	It should be clear what information is required to satisfy the requirement – with a strong emphasis on encouraging a proportionate approach and brevity.
Assistance	For each element of the requirements it should be clear where further information or answers to queries can be obtained.