



COUNCIL

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Council Summons and Agenda

You are hereby summoned to attend an **Ordinary Meeting of Ryedale District Council** to be held as a **virtual meeting** on **Thursday, 15 April 2021** at **6.30 pm** in the evening for the transaction of the following business:

Agenda

1 **Meeting Etiquette**

The Chairman to outline good practice guidance for virtual meetings.

2 **Apologies for absence**

3 **Public Question Time**

4 **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 18 February 2021 (and reconvened on 25 February 2021)** (Pages 7 - 52)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 18 February 2021 (and reconvened on 25 February 2021).

5 **Urgent Business**

To receive notice of any urgent business which the Chairman considers should be dealt

with at the meeting as a matter of urgency by virtue of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

6 **Declarations of Interest**

Members to indicate whether they will be declaring any interests under the Code of Conduct.

Members making a declaration of interest at a meeting of a Committee or Council are required to disclose the existence and nature of that interest. This requirement is not discharged by merely declaring a personal interest without further explanation.

7 **Announcements**

To receive any announcements from the Chairman, the Leader and/or the Head of Paid Service.

8 **To Receive any Questions submitted by Members Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 10.2 (Questions on Notice at Full Council)**

a **To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Docwra**

“Assuming Council-owned leisure facilities reopened on April 12, will the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee please confirm, in public, that they will remain open permanently?”

b **To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Oxley**

“Can the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee, as de facto Leader of the Council, please confirm he feels truly able to deliver the priorities and objectives of the majority of this Council?”

c **To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Delaney**

“On March 30, the Council announced via a press release that “the time is right to reintroduce parking charges”. This has taken many residents and businesses by surprise. Can the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee please explain exactly why he believes “the time is right to reintroduce parking charges” and why he failed to seek views from other Members before agreeing such a sensitive public announcement?”

d **To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Arnold**

“In November, this Council voted overwhelmingly to support the submission of our unitary proposal to government. The Liberal group was the only group to wholly oppose it. Why was the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee so keen to block our submission and deny the government the chance to consider an alternative to the County Council’s plan?”

e **To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Graham**

“In order to be fully transparent with the electorate of Ryedale, can the Chairman of

Policy and Resources Committee please name the Councillors who make up the “coalition” or “collaboration” he leads?”

f To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Mackenzie

“Can the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee please explain the reasoning behind his long-held opposition to the dualling of the A64?”

g To Councillor Clark, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, from Councillor Duncan

“For the purpose of clarity and transparency, and further to the discussion at the Policy and Resources Committee of 18 March 2021, can the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee please confirm whether he has spoken to any persons representing North Yorkshire County Council (including Councillors and Officers) in relation to the current local government reorganisation proposals in North Yorkshire, and if so could he please confirm:

- (a) the names of those individuals;*
- (b) the dates he spoke to those individuals; and*
- (c) the details of the discussions with those individuals, including whether this involved any discussion about persuading Ryedale councillors to support the county council’s proposal.”*

9 Confirmation of Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair of Policy and Resources Committee

Confirmation of the appointments made to the following roles at the Policy and Resources Committee Meeting held on 18 March 2021:

Chair of Policy and Resources Committee	Councillor Clark
Vice Chair of Policy and Resources Committee	Councillor Frank

10 To consider for Approval the Recommendations in respect of the following Part 'B' Committee Items:

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a Minute 53 - Ryedale Plan - Local Plan Review - Call for sites consultation (Pages 53 - 66)

b Minute 54 - Statement of Community Involvement (Pages 67 - 108)

11 Motions on Notice Submitted Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11

a Proposed by Councillor Middleton and Seconded by Councillor Garbutt-Moore

“East Riding Council wants to see the Wolds recognised as part of the Government’s 2020 pledge to increase the number of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and National Parks in England.

As a large part of the Wolds sits within in Ryedale, Ryedale District Council fully endorse the bid by East Riding Council and RDC Officers will work with East Riding to

ensure the bid is successful which will have benefits protecting the environment while supporting the economy.”

b Proposed by Councillor Duncan and seconded by Councillor Docwra

“This Council wishes to appoint a staff champion who commands the confidence of the Council’s workforce.

To aid Members in making this appointment at the Annual Meeting of Council held on May 20, this Council calls on Officers to facilitate a staff poll, in accordance with the following timetable:

- *Democratic services to receive a statement, no longer than one side of A4, from any Councillor interested in being included in the poll by May 3;*
- *Voting to open to all members of Ryedale’s staff, via an anonymous and secure online poll, by May 10, with statements from interested Councillors made accessible to all staff;*
- *Voting to close and the result of the poll, including the number of votes cast for each interested Councillor, to be announced by May 17;*
- *Councillors to vote at the Annual Meeting of Council on May 20 to appoint a staff champion in knowledge of the results of the staff poll.”*

c Proposed by Councillor Duncan and seconded by Councillor Arnold

“Contrary to the announcement made via press release on March 30, and condoned by the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee with no consultation with other Members, this Council does not believe “the time is right to reintroduce parking charges”.

To give a much-needed helping hand to the district’s struggling businesses as they reopen after lockdown, this Council resolves to offer with immediate effect an element of free car parking, preferably capped at three hours, in all Ryedale District Council-owned car parks until at least May 27, when the issue will be reviewed properly and democratically by the Policy and Resources Committee.”

12 Local Government Reorganisation - Consultation Response (Pages 109 - 122)

Appendix E to follow

13 Exempt Information

To consider a resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following item 14 (The Railway Tavern, Norton – Request for an increase in budget utilising additional commuted sums), as provided by paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

The public interest test has been considered and, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption is considered to outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information.

14 The Railway Tavern, Norton - Request for an increase in budget utilising additional commuted sums (Pages 123 - 130)

15 **Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent**

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Stacey Burlet
Chief Executive

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Council

Minutes of Proceedings

At the **Ordinary Meeting of the District Council of Ryedale** held as a **virtual meeting on Thursday 18 February 2021 (and reconvened on 25 February 2021)**

Present

Councillors Joy Andrews, Paul Andrews, Arnold, Bailey, Brackstone, Burr MBE, Clark, Cleary (Chairman), Cussons MBE, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Frank, Garbutt Moore (Vice-Chairman), Goodrick, Graham, Hope, Di Keal, King, MacKenzie, Mason, Middleton, Oxley, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray, Wass and Windress

In Attendance

Stacey Bulet, Simon Copley, Andrew Ellis (18.02.21), Anton Hodge, Lisa Hutchinson, Barry Khan, Emma Lawer (25.02.21), Christine Phillipson, Adrian Simmons (IT support 25.02.21), Phillip Spurr, Paul Taylor (IT support 18.02.21), Ellen Walker, Margaret Wallace and Louise Wood

Minutes

57 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Hope for 18 February 2021 and from Councillor Raper for 18 and 25 February 2021.

58 **Public Question Time**

There were no public questions.

59 **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 3 December 2020 (and reconvened on 10 December 2020)**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 3 December 2020 were presented.

Resolved

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 3 December 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record.

The resolution was carried by general affirmation.

60 **Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 27 January 2021**

The minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 27 January 2021 were presented.

Resolved

That the minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 27 January 2021 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The resolution was carried by general affirmation. Councillor J Andrews abstained.

61 Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.

62 Declarations of Interest

The Chairman advised that declarations of all Members of North Yorkshire County Council would be taken as given.

Councillor Garbutt-Moore declared a personal pecuniary and prejudicial interest in item 13b (Minute 32 – Milton Rooms Progress Report, and Grant Request) as the Council's representative on the Milton Rooms Management Committee.

Councillor Mackenzie declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in item 14c (Motions on Notice – Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr) as a Member of a Town Council.

Councillor Delaney declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in item 14c (Motions on Notice – Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr) as a Member of a Town Council.

Councillor Burr declared a personal, pecuniary and prejudicial interest in item 13c (Minute 33 – Car Parking Strategy) as an owner of commercial properties in Ryedale. Councillor Burr also declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in item 14c (Motions on Notice – Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr) as a Member of two Town Councils.

Councillor P Andrews declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in item 14c (Motions on Notice – Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr) as a Member of a Town Council.

Councillor King declared a personal, pecuniary and prejudicial interest in item 13b (Minute 32 – Milton Rooms Progress Report, and Grant Request) as a member of the Milton Rooms Management Committee. Councillor King also declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in item 14c (Motions on Notice – Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr) as a Member of a Town Council.

Councillor Keal declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in item 14c (Motions on Notice – Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr) as a Member of a Town Council.

63 Announcements

The Chairman and Head of Paid Service had no announcements.

64 To Receive any Questions submitted by Members Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 10.2 (Questions on Notice at Full Council)

65 **To Councillor Duncan, Leader of Council, from Councillor J Andrews**

To Councillor Duncan, Leader of the Council, from Councillor J Andrews:

"In reference to Council support for people requiring to self isolate (£500)

i) How many people have applied to RDC?

ii) Of those applications, how many have been granted?"

Councillor Duncan, Leader of the Council, replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Andrews, for your question. As of today the number of applications the Council has received is 177. Of those, we have paid 85. Of the 85 that have been paid 58 have been on the mandatory scheme and 27 have been paid on the discretionary scheme. RDC has funding available for a further 11 more discretionary payments."

Councillor J Andrews then asked the following supplementary question:

"So less than 50% that have applied have received the £500 payment. What are the reasons for the rejection?"

The Leader then replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Andrews, for your supplementary question. That equates to 48% so there or thereabouts what you put forward. The reasons for that is that they do not meet the criteria that has been put forward by the Council.

There is a series of criteria which have had to be put in place, a capital limit of up to £6,000, and a lower threshold of £80 per week rising to £290 per week, that's on the discretionary scheme.

The mandatory scheme relates to people in receipt of a range of benefits including universal credit, working tax credit, income based ESA, jobseekers allowance, income support, housing benefit and/or pension credit. So there is a range of criteria, people apply and their application is assessed against that criteria."

66 **To Councillor Raper, Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, from Councillor Clark**

To Councillor Raper, Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, from Councillor Clark:

"As a member of the committee that overviews and scrutinizes the LEP, could you please update Council on the progress made?"

The Chairman replied on Councillor Raper's behalf:

"I attended the LEP Overview and Scrutiny Meeting on 3 December 2020, where we received a number of presentations. A discussion was held on future plans for LEP scrutiny. It was agreed that meetings would be held 3 times a year, with a focus on specific issues, rather than an overview of service performance. These issues would begin with carbon reduction and COVID recovery but develop in line with local authority scrutiny work programme priorities."

67 **To Receive a Statement from the Leader of the Council and to Receive Questions and Give Answers on that Statement**

Councillor Duncan, Leader of the Council, presented the following statement:

LEADER'S STATEMENT

As if the COVID-19 pandemic and the prospect of reorganisation were not enough to deal with, our district was confronted with a new problem last month: flooding. This council rose yet again to the challenge however, going above and beyond, as we always do, to help those affected.

Amidst these major challenges, I am proud of how we have continued to deliver day-to-day services while also bringing forward a range of key and transformational projects to benefit of our residents. The past few months have shown the very best of what our council can do, and I know from the comments I have received it has been very much appreciated by the community.

Flooding

Last month, Malton, Norton and Old Malton faced their biggest flooding challenge since the defences were installed. Despite tense moments, the cross-agency effort on the ground meant the worst-case scenario was averted. The majority - but sadly not all properties in the towns were protected. We had 29 pumps deployed on the ground at the height of the situation, with teams working round the clock. I salute their heroic efforts.

Flooding was not contained to just this area, however. Fryton, Slingsby, Low Marishes, Buttercrambe, Pickering and others were also affected, with a number of properties flooded or cut off by road closures. We were able to support residents here too.

Thank you to everyone involved in the effort, from Ryedale District Council, the Environment Agency, Yorkshire Water, North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue and others. The task now for this council is to use its influence to bring partners together and push for further protection. We must identify relevant measures, and ensure they are delivered. While it is right for us to contribute, we cannot do it alone, nor should we. Our officers have started preliminary work with a view to reporting to members in due course.

COVID-19

Ryedale citizens and businesses continue, on the whole, to be exemplary in following the national lockdown. I thank them wholeheartedly for this. Testing sites at Thornton Dale and Malton are being used regularly. Meanwhile, GP surgeries in Malton and Pickering are playing their part in the amazing nationwide vaccination effort. We are supporting this, with our car parks commandeered to assist with the local programme.

We are working to get the latest business grants out to those who so desperately need them. So far, we have sent out over £30m in total, including £8m for the six schemes we currently have open. There is support too for citizens who are worried about paying their rent or mortgage, and for the lowest paid who are self-isolating. We continue to work with our partners, community organisations and amazing volunteers to support our most vulnerable.

In addition to the above, we now have a dedicated COVID Marshall patrolling Ryedale daily to help give advice and educate businesses about the current government guidance and restrictions. The Marshall works across all departments of the council and reports back any issues for the Environmental Health Department to follow up. His work is likely to only increase as we reopen sectors of our economy in coming months.

North Yorkshire Police

Malton's Neighbourhood Policing Team and front counter services moved into Ryedale House on February 1. Our priority has been to ensure police officers remain stationed locally in Malton, for the benefit of the town and the wider district. I'm delighted to confirm that's what we've been able to achieve after years of uncertainty. Going forward, the move should help our district be an even safer place, with our communities team able to work in even closer cooperation with police officers on issues such as speeding and antisocial behaviour.

Investing in Ryedale

We continue to make significant investment in our district. Already we have approved £450k to improve infrastructure in Malton and Norton and around £3.5m, rising to £5.2m with Homes England grant funding, to deliver the most ambitious housing programme since the transfer of our council homes. We have also agreed, with eight other authorities, to commence discussions with the Government about a devolution deal for York and North Yorkshire worth more than £2bn.

Tonight we discuss a new car parking strategy for the district, a funding contribution to the Milton Rooms and significant investment in Thornton Road Industrial Estate in Pickering - one of the biggest economic investment projects this council has even been involved with, stimulating growth and creating jobs at a time they are needed most. This progress represents an immense amount of background work and significant cross-party agreement, which should not be downplayed.

Hungate Centre

Efforts to save the Hungate Centre for community use continue. At the time of writing, I am due to meet with RVS management directly to stress the strength of feeling amongst councillors and the public we represent. It is my hope that a solution can be found in line with the council's wishes. I will update councillors in due course.

Climate change

Work to deliver our Climate Change Action Plan is gathering momentum. We have supported an application for BEIS funding for a Geothermal Heat Project in collaboration with Third Energy Ltd and the LEP. We are also supporting the Circular Malton and Norton project team in investigating the feasibility of an Anaerobic Digester/ Biogas development project. Progress with the Malton to Pickering Cycle Route continues, as does the development of a Low Carbon Staff Travel Plan.

We are also putting in 10 additional electronic vehicle charging points across five of our car parks: Cleveland Way in Helmsley, Town Farm in Kirkbymoorside, Vivis Lane and Eastgate in Pickering and Wentworth Street in Malton. The streetlight replacement scheme continues, with 262 of 277 conventional lights replaced with LEDs so far. Excellent progress, but with more to do.

Local government reorganisation

At the time of writing, it is expected that government will soon consult on proposals for local government reorganisation. On the current timeline, a final decision by the Secretary of State on which option to implement - North Yorkshire and York, or East & West - is expected this summer. Whatever the future may hold for local Government in Ryedale, it is vital that we continue working to best meet the needs of our residents, ensuring the next few months go down as amongst the most productive in our 47-year history.

The following questions were received on the Leader's Statement:

1. From Councillor Paul Andrews:

"I first of all would like to commend the work that the Council staff has done in dealing with the [flooding] crisis. What I'm concerned about is the way in which the Councillors dealt with flooding before the crisis actually arose. Members of Ryedale District Council, used to meet on a quarterly basis in what used to be called a Flood Risk Management Liaison Group . I think, eventually it had a different name. The last meeting of that took place about two years ago, and I can't recall the decision ever being made to wind it up. So, can you please Councillor Duncan tell me why has this not met? And when it's going to meet again? And what action will be taken to immediately make sure that Members are involved in the planning in regard to flood prevention?"

I have a second question related to the same issue. And that is in regards to the Arup plan. The Arup plan was approved by this Council, I think about two years ago. And yet, I haven't seen any work being carried out on the ground. Could Councillor Duncan, please explain what the position is, what progress has been made? And when we may expect to find that, when we may expect to see someone on the ground actually doing some work to implement it? Thank you, Chair."

The Leader replied:

"On the first question that Councillor Andrews raised about the Flood Risk Management Liaison Group, it's my understanding there are no plans for that group to meet. However, as I'm sure he is aware, there is a community client group which is meeting to oversee, engage and inform the Malton, Norton and Old Malton flood alleviation scheme. He is a member of that body, and it is due to meet on the 22nd of February."

In terms of the second question, which he raised about the Arup plan, I am going to take that to mean the Malton, Norton and Old Malton flood alleviation scheme which we invested over £300,000 in alongside our partners, North Yorkshire County Council and the LEP. Significant work has taken place on the rollout and development of that scheme. And the work is due to conclude on the 31st of March. So, progress has happened. It will continue to happen. And the engagement will continue to take place with local elected members and others through the community client group which has been established."

Councillor Paul Andrews then asked the following supplementary question:

"I have some supplementals Chairman, because I don't think Councillor Duncan has answered the question. I asked him why had the Flood Risk Management Liaison Group meeting been discontinued. Who had authorised its discontinuance? Is it just Councillor Duncan who's decided to discontinue that meeting? I want an answer. Members should be involved and as far as I can see, members have been deliberately marginalised.

Now I've realised that there is a community client group, but that is associated directly and only with Malton and Norton. It has absolutely no remit to deal with anything outside Malton and Norton. This is therefore not the same thing as the Flood Risk Management Liaison Group . And I would therefore please ask when was it agreed by this Council that we were going to discontinue those meetings? Who agreed it? Who decided it?

On the second question, which was about the Arup scheme, what I asked was, when would we see any work being done on the ground? Not how far have we got to the planning stage. I just want to know when we can actually see somebody actually doing some work there. Thank you, Chair."

The Leader replied:

"With regards to Flood Risk Management Liaison Group, that has no formal constitution basis within the Council. I don't know when it was established and why it was established. I don't know why it hasn't met. But there is now this body [the community client group] which is due to meet on the 22nd of February, where a range of members from across Malton and Norton are able to meet to discuss the rollout of the for the flood alleviation scheme.

The second part related to that scheme, the work is already ongoing on the ground, and is due to complete next month."

Councillor Paul Andrews replied:

"Therefore, Chairman, the decision to wind up the Flood Risk Management Liaison Group has not been made by Members of this Council, it has been made by Councillor Duncan. And I think that is absolutely appalling."

The Leader replied:

"I've just confirmed that no decision has been taken by me with regards to the Flood Risk Management Liaison Group. I don't know on what basis it was ever constituted, and on what basis it ever met, but it was really an informal grouping. And as I stated very clearly, there is going to be the community client group which will bring together all the relevant agencies including local councillors, of which Councillor Andrews is one, to discuss issues related to flooding, not just the flood alleviation scheme, but more wider issues as well in the Malton, Norton and Old Malton area."

2. From Councillor Keal:

"In reference to your comments, Councillor Duncan, on flooding, I'd like to add my thanks to the efforts made by the Council, especially by the effort via depot staff for their prompt response to the crisis. And I have to say, that everything did not run as

smoothly as I think you would probably like us to believe but that's something that needs to be picked up outside this meeting.

There are some comments in your statement, which really worry me. And I'd like to ask for clarification and commitment from you as Leader. Mainly, for the sentence that was in the motion that Councillor Mason and myself are putting later on in the meeting but is likely to stand straight deferred to P and R. The comments that I'd like some clarification on are, 'we further call on the Council to request that officers enter into immediate talks with Yorkshire Water, the Environment Agency and North Yorkshire County Council, to seek funding contributions towards a scheme that will be required to build a permanent pumping solution'. And the following sentence 'following recent events in Norton, when floodwaters were only kept out of people's homes and businesses by 24/7 pumping and property was once again surrounded by raw sewage', 'this matter be considered urgent and requiring immediate action'. So, my question is Councillor Duncan as a fellow Norton Councillor, do you as Leader agree that the type and the levels of flooding in Norton along with the ongoing repercussions is totally unacceptable both to the residents affected, the community as a whole of Malton and Norton, and to this Council? And will you commit to treating this matter with the urgency it deserves and ensuring that a report on this motion is brought before the next meeting of P and R, and the motion returns to the very next Full Council? Because I think this matter is incredibly urgent and I would like to you to commit to that process and so, that would have bring a report back to the April meeting of full Council. Thank you."

The Leader replied:

"Thank you Councillor Keal for your question. And just picking out some of the parts there. In the preamble, you mentioned that some of the response may not quite have gone as smoothly as we could have hoped. Clearly, if there are any lessons which we need to learn they will be taken forward by the multi-agency meeting that is due to take place. We will learn from anything which we can, which will help inform the response to future flood events if and when they happen. Clearly, the response is never going to be perfect. As you know, as we all know, the river level this time was the highest that it has ever been, the highest recorded level, with flood levels above the 2000 record. We had at the height of the event 29 pumps on the ground keeping water away from properties, we had a number of our officers out, we deployed 1700 sandbags. And we had a number of officers on the ground, providing reassurance, knocking on doors. So, I do think that we have done a really good job as a Council and appreciate your comments with that regard.

In terms of where we go from here and what we do next, clearly Ryedale District Council has always gone, I think, above and beyond not just in terms of response, but in terms of pushing for action. I know, Councillor Keal that you've been on with this for a very long period of time as have of other members of the Council. That is something which we need to continue to do, to use our influence and our role to ensure the partners that we work very closely with fulfil their responsibilities. And that we can take the action which we need to, to ensure that we get the very best levels of resilience, very best levels of prevention in place. It's not going to be easy.

As I was trying to get across in my statement, it's going to take a lot of hard work and effort. But I think that as a Council, we are in a perfect place to bring people together. In terms of the urgency element of this, I believe that you are right, we do need to ensure that we take urgent action on this item. But we also need to ensure that any

money which we spend on flood measures are the right ones, and that we are ensuring the partners are also contributing. So, we will be able to consider your motion.

I would like to believe that at the next meeting of Policy and Resources there will be a report. I would like to believe that we could bring something back to the next meeting of Full Council. However, the request that is in your motion is for £2.5 million. I'm not 100% clear on the costings for that and how we may be able to ensure delivery of it as a district council with no legal power to do so given that other bodies have those legal powers, duties and responsibilities. So, it's going to be a difficult one but it needs full and thorough consideration which I am pledging will take place from this Council to see what is the best thing we can possibly do to help move these issues forward. We don't want to have roads closed. We don't want to have sewage in people's gardens. We don't want to have properties flooded. We all want to help address those issues and do what we possibly can. But we need to ensure that every penny and every pound that we spend is spent in the wisest way possible for the maximum benefit of the residents of the district."

Councillor Keal then asked the following supplementary question:

"I just want to make Members aware that I believe that the matter and the motion, whatever we discuss this evening, is that my motion actually said up to £2.5 million. So, I wasn't saying that Ryedale would commit to that. What I am asking is for that urgency. And so, I think you've committed so far, Councillor Duncan to getting something to next P and R meeting, I would like you to go slightly further than that. And say that you would like to return this for the next Full Council meeting in April."

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Keal. What I would say is with regard to the costing of the £2.5 million, I do recognise that is an up to cost. But clearly, we need to ensure that whatever we are committing to fits in with what partners are doing in terms of their work programmes and the measures which can be put into place. What I would say as well is that I believe we should make an in principle decision to contribute to the works and measures which you are talking about. Perhaps other measures and other works as well. We make that in principle decision to contribute. And then we look at what exactly are the schemes. How is it going to work? Who is going to deliver them? And how are we going to ensure that we get the benefit to the residents which we represent. That is going to take a period of time but I think an in principle decision to contribute - I'm not saying that's necessarily £2.5 million. I'm not saying definitively for the scheme you've outlined. An in principle contribution I think is the right thing for us to do as a Council.

In terms of bringing something back to the Council next time, it will be obviously the will of the Policy and Resources Committee. And I haven't seen the information. I'd like to try and endeavor, Councillor Keal, to bring your motion back so that we can at least give some clarity, so it's not just sitting there for months on end. I would like to hopefully try and say, I think we both want the same thing here as representatives of Norton. I'd like to try and get us there in the quickest way that we possibly can and hopefully that answers your question."

Councillor Keal then asked:

"During my time on this Council, as Members know I've been heavily involved in a lot of the development and funding of flood alleviation, both in Malton, Norton, Old Malton

and in Pickering. I've always worked closely I believe with officers, particularly post-event on what has happened after the many floods that Ryedale has faced. So, my question is, due to the fact the role of Member Champion is now under review, when did it become the policy of this Council to ask a Member Champion, rather than an officer to gather feedback from other Members on topics that are as important to our residents as flooding? And just as a point of clarification before you answer that Councillor Duncan, this is with no disrespect to the Member Champion concerned, I just want to know, whether the policy of the Council has actually changed because I've never been in this position before. I've always been able to feedback directly to officers. Thank you."

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Keal, for your question. What I would say is that every Member of this Council is free to speak to our officers at any time and pass feedback, be it on flooding, be it on any other item, they are free to do so. With regards to the Member Champions, you're right. They are under review, and they have been under review now for many months. The outcome of that review, I'm not certain when that might be. And I'm not sure whether it is at the top of our priority list at this point in time. But clearly, we do have Member Champions that have been appointed to be responsible for certain championship areas, their duties and their responsibilities are not clear to me as Leader of the Council. And what I would say is that I've had no engagement directly with the Member Champion for climate change and environment, which appears to have taken flooding as well, so I can't comment on his actions and I can't comment on the process leading to that. All I will say is that any Member, yourself included, is free to engage with our officers and provide feedback at any time."

3. From Councillor Raine:

"I would just like to ask Councillor Duncan, where he's got up to now with negotiations with the Hungate Centre. As you say, at the time of writing, I'm due to meet with the RVS management directly. So, I just wondered if it's possible to have an update?"

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Raine, for your question. I have now met with RVS management. The meeting, I think, was a positive one. And they were able to present their point of view on clearly an issue which many people care about, and feel passionately about. They have promised to share with us some financial information relating to the funding which they are seeking to reap from the sale. And they have now done that, but that information has only come through to me today. Councillor, I think you've seen it as well, and other Councillors may also have seen it. It was only sent to me today. So, I haven't been able to digest all of that information at this point in time. The meeting on the whole was a positive one. But what I would say is, they have still not had any formal bid put to them by any community group to acquire the building, to purchase the building from them. And clearly, they were keen for that to happen. But that has not been possible at this point in time."

In terms of identifying the role for this Council, clearly, if a sale does proceed on the open market and residual funding is released above the amount that they are seeking to recover, then on that basis there may be a role for Ryedale to investigate what we can play in allocating, looking after that amount of funding on behalf of the trust, which originally was responsible for the building."

Councillor Raine then asked the following supplementary question:

“Obviously, Councillor Duncan you're not being totally updated with the fact that Mel Bonney from CaVCA has put in a bid that the actual CaVCA in takeover, transfer of the trusteeship. And she's waiting to hear from the RVS, she's put that in a while ago now. So obviously, if CaVCA were to take over the trusteeship, it would be wonderful. So, I'm not sure you know, what you know about that? Or you don't know about that?”

The Leader replied:

“What I would say, Councillor Raine, is obviously, I know, you're asking me a question here. But it sounds like you know more information than I do with regards to the bid, the request that's being put in to the RVS. That sounds very encouraging if that has been put forward. And if that could be a viable way forward, that to me would be very encouraging. And I'm happy to engage with you separately about that. If there's anything I can do to help and assist bring that to a sort of successful fruition.”

4. From Councillor Wass:

“The question I want to ask is about flooding, actually. As Councillor Duncan mentioned, you know, gathering information for future meetings that Councillor Keal has asked for is obviously going to take some period of time. But the problem is with everything we're dealing with, we don't have that comforter, if you like. You know, people are in desperate need, either of community services, such as the RVS Centre or in terms of being safe. And if we are to believe what the scientists are telling us and as Councillor Duncan said, that the river levels were at the highest this time that they've ever been, things are only going to get worse. And I haven't been on the Council, a great deal of time, but you're already hearing the same problems being reiterated to do with sewage. And it just seems as though, that nothing is been dealt with as a matter of urgency. And we shouldn't need to be discussing this. This should be uttermost in our minds to support and save people from what really is a Dickensian kind of mindset. You know, we wouldn't put up with this in that day and age. Why should we be putting up with it now? And my question to Councillor Duncan, is could he give me any figures about the effects of flooding to the people in the Pickering area? Thank you.”

The Leader replied:

“Thank you, Councillor Wass. Just addressing some of the issues which you raised in the preamble to your question. When you say we, I think we need to be very clear about who the ‘we’ is here.

Ryedale District Council has no powers or responsibility to do many of the things which need to happen to alleviate some of the problems which we are facing. Ryedale District Council has an important role to play in terms of bringing partners together and we are already doing that. So, officers have started conversations with NYCC, who are the lead flood authority, with Yorkshire Water and with the Environment Agency that will continue.

In terms of history, and this goes beyond as well my time on the Council, Ryedale District Council has always gone above and beyond contributing funding to a range of measures to prevent and combat flooding issues, particularly, in the Malton and Norton

area but also in the Pickering area. Going back to 2003, and following the 1999-2000 floods, the Council invested in the flood defences which now keep the town safe.

In 2013, the Council invested £950,000 in the Slow the Flow scheme, which obviously benefits your constituents in Pickering. In 2016, we funded £12,000 for a project manager to deliver schemes in the Malton and Norton area, £2,500 towards the CCTV survey and we also established a £50,000 flood grant scheme. In 2019, we allocated £320,000 towards the Malton, Norton, Old Malton flood alleviation scheme. So, in total since 2013, we have contributed as a Council £1.3 million of our resources into a range of measures to help with flooding issues.

In terms of Pickering, obviously I've mentioned the Slow the Flow scheme. In terms of actual events on the ground, my understanding, Councillor Wass, and I would need to clarify this, is that there was a property flooded in the Pickering area and we did assist the resident of that property as best as we could."

Councillor Wass then replied:

"Thank you for that, Councillor Duncan. And I want to clarify there, I wasn't directing that as a slur against anything the Council is doing or officers. But I do think as you said we haven't gotten the necessary powers to act immediately on things. But what we have got is the art of communication and the fact that we need to be directing things more urgently than ever before and making sure that this is a priority. And I'll count myself in that as well. Thank you."

5. From Councillor Potter:

"I've actually got three questions being as it's quite a lengthy Leader's statement.

First, can I just go back to what's been said about the Flood Risk Management Liaison Group Councillor Wass mentioned the art of communication there. I've been going along to that Flood Risk Management Liaison Group group for probably over 10 years. And I found it to be a very important, and I stress, very important forum. And I think it's a great shame that it's been removed against the will of Members. And that is quite counterproductive as well. And with little or no feedback from officers about discussions that might be going on with North Yorkshire. Right, so I'll go on to this first question. I'll do them one at a time to save any confusion. So, I too am on the flooding on paragraph three and the Leader rightly thanks various authorities for the excellent multi-agency response to flooding and I very much agree with him. But he makes no mention in there of the lead local flood authority which is North Yorkshire County Council. So, what's the reason for this important omission, given the task is now to bring funding partners together to push for further protection?"

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Potter for your question. I knew exactly when you started your question there what the question was going to be because I realised after publication of my statement that there has been a genuine oversight. And I would like to say very strongly, thanks as well to North Yorkshire County Council, of which I'm a Member, for the role that they have played not only in the response to the flooding event but the role that they have played also in preventative works, including the Malton, Norton and Old Malton flood alleviation scheme."

6. From Councillor Potter:

"I'm on to the investing in Ryedale in paragraph two and referring to investments in the Thornton Road industrial estate. The Leader references significant cross party agreement. Now given that the vote at P and R went to the Chairman's casting vote, how exactly does he justify that comment? Is it Alice in Wonderland or Harry Potter? And why are we completely ignoring our own climate change policy and agreed climate emergency in the construction of this industrial development?"

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Potter, for your question. I'm just checking the minutes of the Policy and Resources meeting where the only group not to support that was the Liberal Group. So, there is significant cross party support and I stand by that statement. Although I do recognise that the liberal group did not support, on the whole the other groups who were present were in support of that development. And this is obviously a decision this evening, which we will or will not take. And, obviously, we need to discuss that and it is an exempt item. So, I don't want to delve too much into the detail of the report. What I would say is that this development is really vital, I believe, to the fortunes of Ryedale's economy, particularly northern Ryedale, particularly the area which you represent, Councillor Potter. It is significant and important and it is vital, I believe, that we agree to make that investment this evening.

What I would also say in terms of the sustainable build standards, there is information within the report relating to those standards and being BREEAM - very good, which is in the top 25% of performance. It's deemed to be advanced, good practice.

I believe that we are setting a good example to others who may be constructing in the Ryedale districts. And I believe that we are complying with our policies, and the LEP is complying with its policy and its aspiration towards not only carbon neutrality but carbon negativity."

Councillor Potter then asked the following supplementary question:

"So as Climate Change Champion, I'm rather acutely aware that climate change in the short to medium term is going to impact far, far more greatly than short term economic development.

And I was, of course, referring to P and R's refusal to implement our own climate change policy, which did go to a casting vote. So, does the Leader believe that no firm steer from Elected Members regarding climate change impact represents strong leadership? Or is that just absolving our responsibility onto officers?"

The Leader then replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Potter. I believe we are providing very strong leadership in this area, not only in relation to this development, but also in relation to all of the other activity which is taking place, which has been detailed in my Leader's statement. I don't want to touch necessarily on all of those items, but you will see that there has been really very significant progress with regard to the implementation of our climate change action plan."

7. From Councillor Potter:

“In that climate change section, the Leader usefully lists where we are largely facilitating others to take action on climate change, largely at other people's costs and effort. However, as the body responsible for strategy at this Council, in what way are we influencing all economic development to be carbon neutral, in line with our own existing climate change policy?”

The Leader replied:

“Thank you, Councillor Potter. I will just have to take issue I think with what you said there. These are largely things which we are facilitating. There is a whole host of activities listed in that section of my statement, which are really very good and welcome achievements that this Council has done at its own cost, at its own initiative, with its own officers. Some of them are listed in the statement regarding the low carbon staff travel plan, regarding the ten additional electronic vehicle charging points across car parks and of course the streetlight replacement scheme, which is now almost complete. There are a whole host of things which we are doing as a Council. They should not be underestimated and they should not be diminished, because they are significant and I believe very welcome.”

Councillor Potter then asked the following supplementary question:

“There are indeed some very good initiatives there. But there's an admirable amount of fluff and green flag waving there as well.

So, are we only encouraging carbon neutrality if it's somebody else's responsibility, and somebody else's money, or will the Leader commit to implementing our own climate change policy?”

The Leader replied:

“Thank you, Councillor Potter. I'm failing really to understand your question because on the one hand you've diminished what's in my statement, on the other hand you're saying actually there has been some very good work. I'm really struggling to understand that from that perspective. In terms of encouraging other people to play their role, I believe that we are doing that and it's starting with us as a Council. We are setting the example that I'm hoping that others will follow.”

8. From Councillor Riby:

“I agree with the Leader about the agency doing a good job. However, would the Leader agree with me that following the line of the Environmental Agency is just a very silly thing to do, because they have got ideologies that don't work in some situations? So, my concern is the rewilding of the Derwent is just going to contribute every year to more and more risk of flooding. If you go far enough forward, I suppose eventually when the Derwent becomes totally clogged with trees and silt, we will have the Vale of Pickering so we won't be able to live there any longer. I would suggest that we really challenge the Environment Agency about the policy. And I would suggest that if we did remove aquatic growth, somewhere between Kirkham Abbey Weir up to where the Rye joins the Derwent, you will probably find that the level of river water in Malton will be lowered by I guess 25 to 30 centimetres. And perhaps at the point of where the Rye enters the Derwent, it would probably be 35 to 40 centimetres. The advantage of lowering it at the entry of the rise to the Derwent is that the area that you talked about,

the six places that are flooding would be less at risk, because it's a backup thing. The work they've done at Pickering, the storing water is fine and we can fill out that in various areas. But the fact is, if you stop the water running, which is what the policy is, it will just start to build up and you'll get more and more floods.

Do you agree we should challenge the views of the Environment Agency? And I quote the Somerset levels where they were totally opposed to dredging in the River Parrett. And guess what? After pressure from the Government and the Council in Somerset, guess what? We've gone four years without any further flooding in that area of any consequence anywhere. So, please, challenge don't just say thank you, what a wonderful guy you are, Environmental Agency. Say that you're wrong. We don't want floods."

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Riby for your question. It sounds like you've got a lot of technical information there, which I do not have. I'm not an expert on these matters. I can't comment really on the position of the Environment Agency because I don't know what the position of the Environment Agency is. I don't know what their views are. However, what I will say is that we obviously do work very closely with the Environment Agency and we have to do so. They are the statutory body with functions and we really have very little choice but to try and work constructively with them. I want to be very clear what their views are on the issues, which you have raised, so perhaps we can take the view as Elected Members and communicate that back to them. But I wouldn't want to unilaterally do that myself as Leader of the Council, because I don't have that understanding. And I'm also not quite sure necessarily how constructive that might be. But I'm happy to have a conversation with you, Councillor Riby, in more detail on this issue."

9. From Councillor Frank:

"Thank you, Chair. My question is on the government reorganisation. The unitary bid. I wanted to know what the exact costings were and how much of the £49K has been spent. If we've gone over, under or the same as the other Councils, the £15k that they committed to? Thank you. "

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Frank, for your question. What I would say is that in terms of the six district councils that have worked on the East & West proposal, all of the costs have been equitable across those authorities in terms of development of that bid, that submission to government, which is now there for their consideration.

I do not have any further update on the consultation at this stage. Although I believe that we are going to have perhaps an imminent announcement in relation to which of the bids, the two that have been submitted, are going to be taken forward.

In terms of the costings around the development of the East & West proposal, we have spent in total £40,000. So that's £40,000 since the start of the development of this work. That's the original £25,000 plus £15,000 from the £50,000, which was subsequently agreed by Policy and Resources.

I believe it is important there is transparency around these costs. But what I would say is that clearly, we all have a vested interest as Members, myself, yourself, Councillor Frank, and others, to ensure that we have the very best bid, which we've now submitted, and that we try to get the very best outcome out of the consultation, because all of us, all of our lives, and all of our residents lives are going to be affected by whatever situation in terms of local government, we end up with ultimately at the end of this process.

Councillor Frank then asked the following supplementary question:

“So what you are actually saying is that we've just spent 15K of the 49K that was allocated? So, what's going to happen to the rest of that money? Is it going to be spent on this unitary bid? Or is it going back into our capital programme?”

The Leader then replied:

“Any funding that has been allocated of that £50,000 that is not spent stays with us in our bank account. “

10. From Councillor Burr:

“I would just like to say a huge thank you to everyone who worked tirelessly on the recent flooding events. However, 29 portable pumps and three weeks closure of County Bridge cannot be the best way for our towns and our residents. And I look forward to this Council using some money for permanent pumps and I'm pleased to hear our Leader of the Council say that he wants to move forward with this. So, I'm looking forward to that. And just moving on to thinking about investment, in Ryedale, we have a growing elderly population who are our concern and do need investing in. Now, Councillor Duncan and I, we voted for an increase in council tax at North Yorkshire County Council yesterday, and it's all about Adult Social Care. My question is, would you agree with me, Councillor Duncan, that it really now is time that we worked across parties to establish a long funding solution to actually look after our residents regarding Adult Social Care?”

The Leader replied:

“Thank you, Councillor Burr, your question. I believe that is a question which would have been better asked at the County Council given that they have responsibility for Adult Social Care, not the District Council. So, I wouldn't wish to comment in this forum in terms of the Leader statement, as a Leader of the Ryedale District Council at this point in time.”

Councillor Burr then asked the following supplementary question:

“Whether we ask questions at County or at Ryedale, these are our residents and I'm sure the Leader has a personal view on what he feels about Adult Social Care because it is actually in crisis at the moment. So, I'm sure he's got a view that maybe he could share with us.”

The Leader then replied:

“As I stated, Councillor Burr, I am here as Leader of Ryedale District Council. Ryedale District Council does not have responsibility for Adult Social Care and therefore what

I'm saying to you is that your question would have been more appropriately put forward to the Leader of the County Council who will have a whole host of information and a much better understanding than I can because it is his authority that has responsibility for Adult Social Care in Ryedale and in North Yorkshire."

11. From Councillor Clark:

"I wonder if the Leader could inform me why he opposed the backstop if the negotiations didn't work over the Hungate Centre and why did he oppose the backstop of Ryedale Council buying it if necessary?"

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Clark, for your question. Clearly, if this Council made the decision to buy the building without anybody prepared to run the building, or with a plan to run the building, which until tonight I hadn't been aware that RVS has been presented with, then we will have been buying a building with all the liabilities that come with it but without any public benefit whatsoever. So, it was on that basis which we felt that buying the building was not the appropriate course of action at this time. Because clearly, if you remember the decision of Council was that we were calling on the RVS to try and work with community groups to find a solution as the best outcome to deal with this issue. And clearly, it seems to me that if we now have that potential interest there from CaVCA, that would be a really ideal solution which means that Ryedale District Council has not used its limited resources to purchase the building. Potentially the CaVCA interest would not have come forward had it done so."

Councillor Clark then asked the following supplementary question:

"So if that works and we're then in a position of not having a building or people to run it. That doesn't strike me as the best outcome for Pickering, do you agree?"

The Leader then replied:

"Councillor Clark, are you suggesting, and I think you are suggesting, that we purchase a building against all the very strong officer advice. I don't want to get too much into that because again, that was an exempt item, but that we purchase a building, that then there was nobody to operate, to bring community value or community use to the people of Pickering. I don't understand why we would purchase a building with all the liabilities that come with it potentially up to significant figures, which you are aware of, and I'm aware of, that were in the report with no operator prepared to run the building. Now clearly, if someone has come forward and has approached the RVS, then that is a welcome scenario and I hope that that will come to fruition eventually."

Councillor Clark then asked:

"If that works and it's good, that's fine. But not having confidence in the community of Pickering to run a building doesn't bode well for Pickering from this standpoint."

My second question is in relation to that there appears to be nothing in your statement about a staff survey. Has there been one? And what was the outcome?"

The Leader replied:

“Thank you, Councillor Clark. Just in relation again to the Hungate Centre about the confidence in the people of Pickering. What I would say is that the RVS, there was that six month period, and there was another six month period, and I think there was another month extension and in that period of time, longer than a year, no viable business plan was presented to the RVS to allow transfer to a community organisation. They've had a year and that did not come forward, rightly or wrongly. But that proposal did not come forward. Now, clearly, if there is now a proposal on the table, that is welcome news, and I would welcome it as Leader of the Council.

Turning to your question there around the staff survey, my understanding is that a pulse survey has taken place and that the results of that will be communicated to all members in due course.”

Councillor Clark then asked the following supplementary question:

“Have you any idea, Leader, why the staff champion was not informed of either the survey or the outcome?”

The Leader then replied:

“Thank you, Councillor Clark. I have no idea and can't comment.”

12. From Councillor Oxley:

“The Leader statement contains lots of good things that we're doing. We're not perfect and there's a lot of work to do. But would the Leader agree with me that it is these positive things that we ought to be reflecting and letting the people of Ryedale know what we are doing on their behalf?”

The Leader replied:

“Thank you, Councillor Oxley. I think that is worth saying that while we have been faced with immense challenges, as I referenced earlier on in the meeting, COVID, flooding, reorganisation, these are three things just to name three, which I've faced in my time as Leader of the Council, that we've all faced in our time as Members, which have presented extremely unique circumstances and challenges. But despite that, we have been able to make significant achievements and I think it is right that we do celebrate the achievements which we have been able to achieve. And I say that as 'we' meaning the entire Council of 30. Clearly, I believe we do have, at the core of everything, a common interest which is to deliver for our residents. And I believe that when we do work together and there is consensus around things, and we are able to achieve a lot for our residents. I would like to try and encourage that. And as Leader, I would like to see that happen. It's not always easy. But there are things which we have been able to achieve and which we should celebrate.

What I would like to say is that clearly I have now been Leader for coming up two years and I feel that what we've been able to achieve in the past two years is greater than what we achieved in my first four years on this Council. I believe that we've been able to achieve more than that entire period of time and if we have a year or two left, I believe that we can achieve yet more in that short period of time before we do finally close the doors for the final time and Ryedale District Council sadly ceases to exist.”

13. From Councillor Oxley:

"With regard to the flooding, it was pointed out already to the Leader that there was an omission in his list of thanks. Could I please ask him if he would also reference Pickering Town Council in that, as they were the body that stepped in last minute and provided the money for the maintenance that made the whole thing happen. Thank you."

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Oxley. What I would say is that my list is not totally prescriptive and I'm sure that there are a whole host of people and organisations, Pickering Town Council being one, that I would extend my thanks to. It has been a phenomenal effort in all parts of the district not just Malton and Norton but other places as well which meant that we were able to support people and I thank everybody, individually and collectively who was involved with that."

14. From Councillor Mason:

"I just want to know whether Keane as Leader and Chair of Policy and Resources Committee regrets the decision with the recommendation not to install the electric permanent pumps back in November 2019. That Policy and Resources maybe in hindsight that could have been a better decision?"

And the second one really is looking at the climate change bit in your statement "work to deliver our Climate Change Action Plan is gathering momentum, we have supported applications for geothermal, with Third Energy, supported the Circular Malton and Norton team', just exactly what support are we giving them? I would just like to know because I know I'm giving them support and I know other people may be giving them support. But I'd like to know personally, what maybe Keane you're doing to support?"

The Leader replied:

"Thank you, Councillor Mason for your question. With regards to the electric permanent pumps, I think it's important to clarify what was meant by that term, what you understand that term to mean and what in general understanding people who are involved with flooding issues understand that term to mean. What I would say is that in terms of a permanent pumping solution, what has never been put forward and what this Council has never declined to be involved with, is a permanent pumping solution, which is what I believe yourself and Councillor Keal are calling for the Council to fund. That has never come before us and has never been approved or rejected because it's never actually come before members for a decision.

If you are talking about electric pumps that are permanently installed in a location, then I think that is perhaps a better way of describing what I think we discussed at Policy and Resources and is going back a while in a period in time, but that is a very important distinction. A permanently installed portable pump in the Castlegate area is not a £2.5 million plus permanent pumping fitted underneath a road, for example. So that is a very important distinction to make and in terms of public comments that are made, it is important that all councillors do have an understanding of that because people could get a wrong impression about what this Council has and has not decided to do in the past. And as I've already stated, this Council has invested in recent years, more than a million pounds of its resources in schemes which can provide tangible benefits to residents.

In terms of climate change and the questions which you asked, I believe that we are doing a lot as a Council and I believe that as Leader of the Council. I am ensuring that our Officers are delivering our Climate Change Action Plan, which is an example, I think it was before you joined the Council, Councillor Mason, where the Council came together to support that action plan on a cross party basis and I do have to say we wouldn't have got that far without the involvement of Councillor Clark and the Scrutiny Committee who put an immense amount of work into devising that action plan. So, I welcome their work on this and I welcome the work of all Members across the Council in supporting its delivery going forward.”

Councillor Mason then asked the following supplementary question:

“With all due respect, Keane, I do know what the difference between a permanent and portable pump is. I think most councillors will assume common sense is that portable does not mean permanent. Let's have plain English here, Keane, and not trying to go around the circle with this one. What I actually asked was what support are we doing for the geothermal project and Third Energy and also supporting the circular Malton and Norton project. I welcome and I think the work that the Liberals did before I was elected on the Climate Change Plan, was brilliant. That's not what I asked. I want to know what we are doing to support the feasibility work that's happening now. Not what happened two years ago and also to be honest following up on Councillor Potter, agreeing with him actually there doesn't seem to be that much action happening from us to get going quickly?”

The Leader then replied:

“Thank you, Councillor Mason. Again, just going back to the issue of pumps, I believe there has been a misrepresentation, hopefully inadvertent, unintentional that this Council rejected permanent pumping. This Council has not done so. And that needs to be stated very, very clearly. Hence, why it was important to make that differentiation so that everybody is clear that that has never been the case.

Secondly, what I would like to say with regards to the delivery of the Climate Change Action Plan, and I'll underline this again, we set a series of objectives, many of them extremely ambitious. We have managed to achieve against those objectives. There is more work to do. We know that and clearly, Councillor Mason, you're heavily involved in those issues, other councillors are heavily involved as well. But we have done nothing other than support delivery of that plan by ourselves, by our partners, and by the wider community. And that will continue.”

68 Revenue and Capital Budgets and Setting of Council Tax 2021/22

It was moved by Councillor Duncan and seconded by Councillor Arnold that Minute No. 36 (Ryedale's Financial Strategy 2021-25) of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 4 February 2021 be noted and received by Council, that Council adopt the recommendations in the s151 Officer's report which has been revised and updated following the meeting of P&R and that Council approve item 10 paragraph roman numerals I to V relating to the Council's revenue budget.

Councillor Clark moved and Councillor Burr seconded the following amendment:

Add £1.5m from reserves to the capital budget for the cattle market.

Councillor Clark declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in the amendment as a cattle farmer.

Upon being put to the vote the amendment was carried.

Voting record

15 For
12 Against
1 Abstention

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Keal, Mason, Middleton, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Goodrick, Graham, King, Mackenzie, Oxley and Windress

Abstain

Councillor Garbutt Moore

Councillor Clark proposed and Councillor Wass seconded the following amendment:

Add £200k from reserves to the capital budget for community use in Pickering.

Upon being put to the vote the amendment was carried.

Voting record

15 For
13 Against

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Keal, Mason, Middleton, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Garbutt Moore, Goodrick, Graham, King, Mackenzie, Oxley and Windress

Councillor Burr proposed and Councillor Riby seconded the following amendment:

This Council will move the £307k from reserves to the capital programme ring-fenced for the Milton Rooms

Councillors Garbutt Moore and King left the meeting and did not participate in the debate or vote on this amendment, following their earlier declaration of interest as members of the Milton Rooms Management Committee.

Upon being put to the vote the amendment was carried.

Voting record

15 For
11 Against

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Keal, Mason, Middleton, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Goodrick, Graham, Mackenzie, Oxley and Windress

Councillor Clark proposed and Councillor Wass seconded the following amendment:

To amend the recommendation to approve a council tax increase of £4.90 for a Band D property.

Upon being put to the vote the amendment was carried.

Voting record

14 For

13 Against

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Keal, Mason, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Garbutt Moore, Goodrick, Graham, King, Mackenzie, Oxley and Windress

Upon being put to the vote, the substantive motion as amended was carried.

Voting record

15 For

1 Against

9 Abstentions

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Arnold, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Keal, Mason, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillor Windress

Abstain

Councillors Cleary, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Goodrick, Graham, King, Mackenzie and Oxley

Resolved

That Council:

- (i) Approves the following, in addition to the amended recommendations from Policy and Resources Committee.

I **Budget 2021/2022**

That the revenue estimates for 2021/2022, as submitted in the Council's Financial Strategy and Revenue Budget 2021/2022 Book be approved subject to the following amendments.

- a Add £1.5m from reserves to the capital budget for the cattle market
- b Add £200k from reserves to the capital budget for community use in Pickering
- c This Council will move the £307k from reserves to the capital programme ring-fenced for the Milton Rooms
- d To amend the recommendation to approve a council tax increase of £4.90 for a Band D property.

II **Council Tax Base**

That it be noted that, in accordance with Minute No. 363(d)/2005 of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 8 December 2005, which was subsequently approved by Council at its meeting on 12 January 2006, Ryedale District Council has (pursuant to Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972) delegated responsibility to adopt the Council Tax base to the Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer in consultation with the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee. The Council calculated the amounts for the year 2021/22, in accordance with regulations made under Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended, as set out in Annex A.

III **District/Parish Council Tax Rates**

That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2021/22, in accordance with Sections 31A, 31B and 34 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the Act):

(a) **District/Parish Gross Expenditure**

£30,758,064.00 being the aggregate of the amounts, which the Council estimates for the items, set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act.

(b) **Income (including Government Grants and Collection Fund Surpluses)**

£25,146,997.00 being the aggregate of the amounts, which the Council estimates for the items, set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.

(c) **District/Parish Council Tax Requirement**

£5,611,067.00 being the amount by which the aggregate at Part III(a) above exceeds the aggregate at Part III(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its Council Tax requirement for the year.

(d) **Basic Amount of Tax (including Parish Precepts)**

£257.38 being the amount at Part III(c) above, all divided by the amount at Part II above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.

(e) Parish Precept and Special Expenses

£1,128,101.00 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.

(f) Basic Amount of Tax (excluding Parish Precepts)

£205.63 being the amount at Part III(d) above less the results given by dividing the amount at Part III(e) above by the amount given at Part II above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates.

(g) Basic Amount of Tax in Parishes/Towns

The details for each Parish as shown in Annex B, column headed "Aggregate amount at Band D", being the amounts given by adding to the amount at Part III(f) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above, divided in each case by the amount at Part II above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

(h) District/Parish Council Tax Rates

The details as shown in columns "A" to "H" of Annex B, being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at Part III(f) and Part III(g) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in Valuation Band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

IV County Council, Police & Crime Commissioner and Fire & Rescue Authority Tax Rates

That it be noted that for the year 2021/22 precepting Authorities have stated the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

BAND	NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	NYCC ADULT SOCIAL CARE	NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER	NORTH YORKSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY
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£	£	£	£	£
A	847.16	93.54	180.71	49.43
B	988.35	109.13	210.82	57.66
C	1,129.55	124.72	240.94	65.90
D	1,270.74	140.31	271.06	74.14
E	1,553.13	171.49	331.30	90.62
F	1,835.51	202.67	391.53	107.09
G	2,117.90	233.85	451.77	123.57
H	2,541.48	280.62	542.12	148.28

V **Total Council Tax Rates**

That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at Part III(h) and Part IV above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended, hereby sets the amounts set out in Annex C as the amounts of Council Tax for 2021/22 for each of the categories of dwellings shown.

The recommendations from Policy and Resources Committee and Annexes A, B and C as amended are contained within the Minute Annex.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45pm and reconvened at 6:30pm on 25 February 2021.

69 **Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy 2021/22**

At the reconvened meeting on 25 February 2021, Councillor Duncan was invited to introduce this item. At this time, Councillor Duncan announced his decision to resign from the roles of Leader of Council and Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee. Councillor Arnold then announced his decision to resign from the roles of Deputy Leader and Vice Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee.

A request was made to allow Elected Members to respond to the resignations at a later date. [The Chairman of Council has confirmed that Group Leaders will be permitted to respond during consideration of these minutes at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council.]

Consideration of business on the agenda then resumed.

It was moved by Councillor Clark and seconded by Councillor Burr that the following recommendations be approved and adopted.

That:

- (i) Members receive this report;
- (ii) The Operational Borrowing Limit for 2021/22 is set at £7m;
- (iii) The Authorised Borrowing Limit for 2021/22 is set at £12.5m;

- (iv) Councillors delegate authority to the Chief Finance Officer to effect movement within the agreed authorised boundary limits for long-term borrowing for 2021/22 onwards.
- (v) Councillors delegate authority to the Chief Finance Officer to effect movement within the agreed operational boundary limits for long-term borrowing for 2021/22 onwards.
- (vi) The treasury management strategy statement 2021/22 be approved.
- (vii) The minimum revenue provision policy statement for 2021/22 be approved.
- (viii) The treasury management investment strategy for 2021/22 be approved.
- (ix) The prudential indicators for 2021/22 which reflect the capital expenditure plans which are affordable, prudent and sustainable be approved.
- (x) The Capital Strategy for 2021/22 be approved.

The motion was carried by general affirmation.

Resolved

That:

- (i) Members receive this report;
- (ii) The Operational Borrowing Limit for 2021/22 is set at £7m;
- (iii) The Authorised Borrowing Limit for 2021/22 is set at £12.5m;
- (iv) Councillors delegate authority to the Chief Finance Officer to effect movement within the agreed authorised boundary limits for long-term borrowing for 2021/22 onwards.
- (v) Councillors delegate authority to the Chief Finance Officer to effect movement within the agreed operational boundary limits for long-term borrowing for 2021/22 onwards.
- (vi) The treasury management strategy statement 2021/22 be approved.
- (vii) The minimum revenue provision policy statement for 2021/22 be approved.
- (viii) The treasury management investment strategy for 2021/22 be approved.
- (ix) The prudential indicators for 2021/22 which reflect the capital expenditure plans which are affordable, prudent and sustainable be approved.
- (x) The Capital Strategy for 2021/22 be approved.

70 Appointment of Independent Remuneration Panel Member

It was moved by Councillor Clark and seconded by Councillor Burr that the following recommendations be approved and adopted:

- (i) That Peter Barker be appointed to serve on the Independent Remuneration Panel established by Council on 10 October 2019;
- (ii) That the Term of Office for the appointed member be until 5 September 2024, in line with the current serving Panel Members.

The motion was carried by general affirmation.

Resolved

- (i) That Peter Barker be appointed to serve on the Independent Remuneration Panel established by Council on 10 October 2019;
- (ii) That the Term of Office for the appointed member be until 5 September 2024, in line with the current serving Panel Members.

71 To consider for Approval the Recommendations in respect of the following Part 'B' Committee Items:

72 Minute 31 - HR Policy Revision - Leave and Flexible Working Policies

Councillor Clark moved and Councillor Burr seconded that the following recommendation be approved and adopted:

That the revised policies are agreed for implementation.

The motion was carried by general affirmation.

Resolved

That the revised policies are agreed for implementation.

73 Minute 32 - Milton Rooms Progress Report, and Grant Request

Councillors King and Garbutt Moore left the meeting during consideration of this item and did not participate in the debate or the vote.

Councillor Clark proposed and Councillor Burr seconded that the following recommendation be approved and adopted:

That Council gives approval for capital funding of up to £193k to fund works outlined in section 6.11 of the report, subject to receipt of detailed plans, with delegated authority given to the Programme Director to release the funds on a phased basis, in consultation with the Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee.

Upon being put to the vote, the motion was carried.

Resolved

That Council gives approval for capital funding of up to £193k to fund works outlined in section 6.11 of the report, subject to receipt of detailed plans, with delegated authority given to the Programme Director to release the funds on a phased basis, in consultation with the Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee.

Voting record

26 For

1 Abstention

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Arnold, Bailey, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cleary, Cussons, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Frank, Goodrick, Graham, Hope, Keal, Mackenzie, Mason, Middleton, Oxley, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Abstain

Councillor Windress

74 Minute 33 - Car Parking Strategy

Councillor Burr left the meeting during consideration of this item and did not participate in the debate or vote.

Councillor Clark proposed and Councillor Docwra seconded that the following recommendations be approved and adopted:

- (i) The Car Parking Strategy 2021-2026 is endorsed.
- (ii) Delegated authority is given to the Programme Director for Economic Development, Business and Partnerships to progress specific implementation activities in line with the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy, following the completion of individual assessments and subsequent agreement of the Section 151 Officer and Head of HR that they represent a return on investment and can be progressed within available staffing resources.
- (iii) That consultation with the Chair of Policy & Resources Committee in line with required financial procedures occurs prior to the Programme Director progressing specific implementation activities once they are established as representing a return on investment and able to be progressed within available staffing resources.

The motion was carried by general affirmation.

Resolved

- (i) The Car Parking Strategy 2021-2026 is endorsed.
- (ii) Delegated authority is given to the Programme Director for Economic Development, Business and Partnerships to progress specific implementation activities in line with the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy, following

the completion of individual assessments and subsequent agreement of the Section 151 Officer and Head of HR that they represent a return on investment and can be progressed within available staffing resources.

- (iii) That consultation with the Chair of Policy & Resources Committee in line with required financial procedures occurs prior to the Programme Director progressing specific implementation activities once they are established as representing a return on investment and able to be progressed within available staffing resources.

75 Minute 34 - Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring - Q3 2020/21

Councillor Clark proposed and Councillor Docwra seconded that the following recommendation be approved and adopted:

That Council notes the contents of the report

The motion was carried by general affirmation.

Resolved

That Council notes the contents of the report

76 Motions on Notice Submitted Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11

77 Proposed by Councillor Keal and seconded by Councillor Mason

“Major flood defences in Malton, Norton and Old Malton protect hundreds of properties adjacent to the River Derwent, but in January 2021 Norton on Derwent has yet again been affected by serious and significant flooding

In 2000 this Council agreed to abandon badly needed major improvements to permanent flood protection for Norton when agreeing to NYCC plans to protect Malton and Old Malton. Recent events illustrate that this was an unsound decision.

We call on Council to commit up to £2.5 million of reserves to contribute to partnership funding a permanent pumping solution for Norton to prevent surface water and sewer flooding occurring when water levels in the River Derwent are high.

The ARUP report of 2015 identified and costed the work required to protect homes and businesses in Norton and must now need to be acted on.

We further call on Council to request that officers enter into immediate talks with Yorkshire Water, the Environment Agency and NYCC to seek funding contributions towards the scheme that will be required to build a permanent pumping solution.

Following recent events in Norton, when flood waters were only kept out of homes and businesses by 24/7 pumping, and property was yet again surrounded by raw sewage – this matter to be considered urgent and requiring immediate action.”

Under Council Procedure Rule 11.4, the motion stood automatically referred to the Policy and Resources Committee.

78 **Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr**

“Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 23.1, the Council hereby suspends Council Procedure Rule 11.4 to allow the full debate of the following motions (items 14c & 14d) at the meeting, without standing referred to committee.”

Upon being put to the vote, the motion was carried.

Resolved

Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 23.1, the Council hereby suspends Council Procedure Rule 11.4 to allow the full debate of the following motions (items 14c & 14d) at the meeting, without standing referred to committee.

Voting record

15 For
13 Against
1 Abstention

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Hope, Keal, Mason, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass.

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Garbutt Moore, Goodrick, Graham, King, Mackenzie, Oxley and Windress

Abstain

Councillor Middleton

79 **Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr**

“The Council is concerned to encourage true democracy at every level of local administration and notes that charges made by Ryedale for carrying out by-elections can be prohibitive and discouraging. This Council therefore waives all charges for carrying out by-elections for Parish and Town Councils, provided that the Parish or Town Council shall reimburse the cost of hiring poll stations.”

Upon being put to the vote, the motion was carried.

Resolved

The Council is concerned to encourage true democracy at every level of local administration and notes that charges made by Ryedale for carrying out by-elections can be prohibitive and discouraging. This council therefore waives all charges for carrying out by-elections for Parish and Town Councils, provided that the Parish or Town Council shall reimburse the cost of hiring poll stations.

Voting record

14 For
10 Against
5 Abstentions

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Keal, Mason, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Goodrick, Graham, Mackenzie, Oxley and Windress

Abstain

Councillors Cleary, Garbutt Moore, Hope, King and Middleton

80 **Proposed by Councillor P Andrews and seconded by Councillor Burr**

“The Council is concerned to ensure that there is full accountability and transparency in the management of the Council. There is an urgent need to ensure member involvement in staff welfare and working conditions in order to promote morale during this difficult period. It is considered that the historic instances of bullying uncovered by the Scrutiny Committee and the disastrous historic outcome of the IESE investigation would not have arisen if there had been proper direct relations between members and staff.

In order to remedy this weakness in the Council's administration, the Council hereby recommends that the Head of Paid Service establishes a Joint Works Group (JWG), to sit alongside other consultation bodies, with a responsibility to report to members but no decision-making powers. The membership of the JWG shall be determined by the Head of Paid Service. The JWG shall meet quarterly, and the first meeting of the JWG shall be held within 28 days of this meeting. The JWG shall determine all matters of internal procedure relating to its own operation and all meetings of JWG shall be confidential and press and public shall be excluded. The purpose of the JWG will be to ensure member involvement in staff welfare and working conditions in order to promote morale during this difficult period. Once this difficult period (COVID-19 pandemic) ends, the Head of Paid Service will review the continuance of the JWG.”

Councillor Clark proposed and Councillor Potter seconded the following amendment:

Replace “determined by the Head of Paid Service” with “six union representatives, six Councillors and six members of management.”

And

Delete “during this difficult period. Once this difficult period (COVID-19 pandemic) ends, the Head of Paid Service will review the continuance of the JWG.”

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

Voting record

15 For

13 Against

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Keal, Mason, Middleton, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Garbutt Moore, Goodrick, Graham, King, Mackenzie, Oxley and Windress

Upon being put to the vote, the substantive motion was carried.

Resolved

The Council recommends that the Head of Paid Service establishes a Joint Works Group (JWG), to sit alongside other consultation bodies, with a responsibility to report to members but no decision-making powers. The membership of the JWG shall be six union representatives, six councillors and six members of management. The JWG shall meet quarterly, and the first meeting of the JWG shall be held within 28 days of this meeting. The JWG shall determine all matters of internal procedure relating to its own operation and all meetings of JWG shall be confidential and press and public shall be excluded. The purpose of the JWG will be to ensure member involvement in staff welfare and working conditions in order to promote morale.

Voting record

15 For

13 Against

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Cussons, Frank, Keal, Mason, Middleton, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Garbutt Moore, Goodrick, Graham, King, Mackenzie, Oxley and Windress

81 **To receive notice of urgent business resolved at Committees**

82 **Budget to bring full LGR proposals to completion**

Notice of the decision relating to the budget to bring full LGR proposal to completion, taken under urgent business at the Policy and Resources Committee meeting on 12 November 2020, was received and the Constitutional requirement was met.

83 **Exempt Information**

To exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following item 17a (Minute 38 – Proposal for Light Industrial Starter Units) as provided by paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as it contains information relating to the financial or businesses affairs of any person (including the authority holding that information).

The public interest test has been considered and, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exempt.

Voting record

17 For

2 Against

9 Abstentions

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, Arnold, Bailey, Burr, Clark, Cleary, Cussons, Docwra, Frank, Garbutt Moore, Keal, King, Oxley, Potter, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Goodrick and Windress

Abstain

Councillors P Andrews, Brackstone, Delaney, Duncan, Graham, Mackenzie, Mason, Middleton and Raine

84 **To consider for Approval the Recommendations in respect of the following exempt Part 'B' Committee Items:**

85 **Minute 38 - Proposal for Light Industrial Starter Units**

The outcomes of the investment appraisal and information on the commitment of the Developer to undertake development of the wider site were provided to Elected Members ahead of the Council meeting.

Councillor Docwra proposed and Councillor Middleton seconded that the following recommendations be approved and adopted:

That:

- i) Recommendation a. as set out in the report is approved
- ii) Recommendation b. as set out in the report is approved

Councillor Clark proposed and Councillor J Andrews seconded the following amendment:

Delete existing paragraph b. then after paragraph a. insert paragraphs b. to d. to read:

- b. Before Council commits to proceed, officers produce a detailed analysis of:-
 - i The carbon emissions of the project
 - in construction
 - in use
 - ii The carbon impact of fitting solar p.v. panels to all units.
 - iii The carbon impact of fitting ground/air source heat pumps to all units.
 - iv The carbon impact of fitting insulation to BREEAM Excellent standard and above to all units.
 - v The impact/saving of fitting rainwater collection and storage systems to all units.
 - vi The cost of each of the above
 - Fitted at construction stage
 - Retrofitted.
 - vii The savings in running costs for each of the above.
 - viii The rental value of each of the above.
 - ix What materials will be used for the proposed construction? Are these the most efficient in climate change terms?

- c. Answers to the above questions to come back to a full council meeting to inform any decision.

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was lost.

Voting record

11 For

17 Against

Recorded vote

For

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Frank, Potter, Raine, Riby, Thackray and Wass

Against

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Cussons, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Garbutt Moore, Goodrick, Graham, Keal, King, Mackenzie, Mason, Middleton, Oxley and Windress

Upon being put to the vote, the substantive motion was carried.

Resolved

That:

- i) Recommendation a. as set out in the report is approved
- ii) Recommendation b. as set out in the report is approved

Voting record

18 For

8 Against

2 Abstentions

Recorded vote

For

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Cleary, Cussons, Delaney, Docwra, Duncan, Frank, Garbutt Moore, Goodrick, Graham, Keal, King, Mackenzie, Mason, Middleton, Oxley and Windress

Against

Councillors J Andrews, P Andrews, Brackstone, Burr, Clark, Potter, Thackray and Wass

Abstain

Councillors Raine and Riby

86 Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 11:10pm on 25 February 2021.

**RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL
COUNCIL TAX BASE FOR THE YEAR 2021-2022**

BAND 'D' EQUIVALENT TOTALS FOR TOWN AND PARISH AREAS

Parish / Town	Band D Equivalent
ACKLAM	70.28
AISLABY MIDDLETON & WRELTON	324.28
ALLERSTON & WILTON	196.89
AMOTHERBY	145.51
AMPLEFORTH	391.53
APPLETON-LE-MOORS	99.43
APPLETON-LE-STREET	54.60
BARTON-LE-STREET	84.52
BARTON-LE-WILLOWS	88.33
BARUGHS AMBO	90.76
BEADLAM	95.67
BIRDSALL	77.23
BRANSDALE	28.36
BRAWBY	65.27
BROUGHTON	82.88
BULMER	90.86
BURYTHORPE	111.39
BUTTERCRAMBE	38.67
BYLAND WITH WASS & OLDSTEAD	122.52
CAWTON COULTON & GRIMSTONE	101.59
CLAXTON & SAND HUTTON	201.81
COLD KIRBY	51.17
CONEYSTHORPE	39.28
CROPTON	120.22
EBBERSTON & YEDINGHAM	262.39
EDSTONE	65.95
FADMOOR	54.37
FARNDALE EAST	49.71
FARNDALE WEST	51.52
FLAXTON	150.60
FOSTON & THORNTON-LE-CLAY	131.64
FOXHOLES with BUTTERWICK	91.86
GANTON with POTTER BROMPTON	82.86
GATE HELMSLEY & UPPER HELMSLEY	144.49
GILLAMOOR	69.33
GILLING EAST	104.42
HABTON	128.41
HAROME	132.21
HARTOFT	36.24
HARTON	39.31
HAWNBY	90.24
HELMSLEY	858.56
HENDERSKELFE	24.19
HESLERTON	145.59
HOVINGHAM & SCACKLETON	245.97
HOWSHAM	62.88
HUTTON-LE-HOLE	94.81
HUTTONS AMBO	123.69
KIRBYGRINDALYTHE	113.62

Parish / Town	Band D Equivalent
KIRBY MISPERTON	112.83
KIRKBYMOORSIDE	1142.29
LANGTON	42.59
LASTINGHAM	74.98
LEAVENING	131.13
LEVISHAM	49.85
LILLINGS AMBO	80.81
LOCKTON	137.13
LUTTONS	159.79
MALTON	2233.57
MARISHES	61.26
MARTON	102.93
NAWTON	269.94
NEWTON-ON-RAWCLIFFE & STAPE	135.49
NORMANBY	65.65
NORTON	2510.88
NUNNINGTON	126.08
OLD BYLAND & SCAWTON	77.78
OSWALDKIRK	122.71
PICKERING	2831.08
POCKLEY	49.76
RIEVAULX	36.06
RILLINGTON	429.45
ROSEDALE EAST & WEST	185.57
SALTON	37.45
SCAGGLETHORPE	93.71
SCAMPSTON with E & W KNAPTON	122.39
SCRAYINGHAM with LEPPINGTON	93.74
SETTRINGTON	138.36
SHERBURN	280.43
SHERIFF HUTTON with CORNBOROUGH	473.73
SINNINGTON	141.34
SLINGSBY	252.43
SOUTHOLME & FRYTON	37.75
SPAUNTON	34.32
SPROXTON	57.40
STONEGRAVE	48.84
SWINTON	204.53
TERRINGTON	243.54
THIXENDALE	81.06
THORNTON-LE-DALE	856.65
THORPE BASSETT	47.74
WARTHILL	110.41
WEAVERTHORPE	122.22
WELBURN (KIRKBYMOORSIDE)	32.26
WELBURN (MALTON)	218.52
WESTOW	155.63
WHARRAM	44.06
WHITWELL-ON-THE-HILL & CRAMBE	106.95
WILLERBY & STAXTON	230.87
WINTRINGHAM	84.29
WOMBLETON	152.99
COUNCIL TAX BASE	21801.13
(aggregate of band "D" equivalents)	

Parish / Town	RDC Band D £	Parish Band D £	Special Expenses £	Aggregate of Band D £	Council Tax at Band							
					A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Acklam	205.63	28.46	0.00	234.09	156.06	182.07	208.08	234.09	286.11	338.13	390.15	468.18
Aislaby, Middleton & Wrelton	205.63	3.08	12.15	220.86	147.24	171.78	196.32	220.86	269.94	319.02	368.10	441.72
Allerston & Wilton	205.63	38.09	12.15	255.87	170.58	199.01	227.44	255.87	312.73	369.59	426.45	511.74
Amotherby	205.63	35.28	0.00	240.91	160.61	187.37	214.14	240.91	294.45	347.98	401.52	481.82
Ampleforth	205.63	40.87	0.00	246.50	164.34	191.72	219.11	246.50	301.28	356.05	410.84	493.00
Appleton le Moors	205.63	10.56	0.00	216.19	144.13	168.14	192.17	216.19	264.24	312.27	360.32	432.38
Appleton le Street	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Barton le Street	205.63	7.10	0.00	212.73	141.82	165.45	189.09	212.73	260.01	307.28	354.55	425.46
Barton le Willows	205.63	23.77	0.00	229.40	152.94	178.42	203.91	229.40	280.38	331.35	382.34	458.80
Barughs Ambo	205.63	45.92	12.15	263.70	175.80	205.10	234.40	263.70	322.30	380.90	439.50	527.40
Beadlam	205.63	36.58	0.00	242.21	161.48	188.38	215.30	242.21	296.04	349.86	403.69	484.42
Birdsall	205.63	3.88	0.00	209.51	139.68	162.95	186.23	209.51	256.07	302.62	349.19	419.02
Bransdale	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Brawby	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Broughton	205.63	37.10	0.00	242.73	161.82	188.79	215.76	242.73	296.67	350.61	404.55	485.46
Bulmer	205.63	26.41	0.00	232.04	154.70	180.47	206.26	232.04	283.61	335.17	386.74	464.08
Burythorpe	205.63	14.36	0.00	219.99	146.66	171.10	195.54	219.99	268.88	317.76	366.65	439.98
Buttercrambe	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Byland with Wass & Oldstead	205.63	6.53	0.00	212.16	141.44	165.01	188.58	212.16	259.31	306.45	353.60	424.32
Cawton, Coulton & Grimstone	205.63	8.37	0.00	214.00	142.67	166.44	190.22	214.00	261.56	309.11	356.67	428.00
Claxton & Sand Hutton	205.63	26.43	0.00	232.06	154.71	180.49	206.27	232.06	283.63	335.20	386.77	464.12
Cold Kirby	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Coneysthorpe	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Cropton	205.63	12.48	12.15	230.26	153.51	179.09	204.67	230.26	281.43	332.60	383.77	460.52
Ebberston and Yedingham	205.63	34.30	12.15	252.08	168.06	196.06	224.07	252.08	308.10	364.11	420.14	504.16
Edstone	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Fadmoor	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Farndale East	205.63	12.29	0.00	217.92	145.28	169.49	193.70	217.92	266.35	314.77	363.20	435.84
Farndale West	205.63	11.43	0.00	217.06	144.71	168.82	192.94	217.06	265.30	313.53	361.77	434.12
Flaxton	205.63	26.03	0.00	231.66	154.44	180.18	205.92	231.66	283.14	334.62	386.10	463.32
Foston & Thornton le Clay	205.63	19.75	0.00	225.38	150.26	175.29	200.34	225.38	275.47	325.55	375.64	450.76
Foxholes and Butterwick	205.63	35.92	0.00	241.55	161.04	187.87	214.71	241.55	295.23	348.90	402.59	483.10
Ganton and Potter Brompton	205.63	16.90	0.00	222.53	148.36	173.07	197.80	222.53	271.99	321.43	370.89	445.06
Gate Helmsley & Upper Helmsley	205.63	27.68	0.00	233.31	155.54	181.46	207.38	233.31	285.16	337.00	388.85	466.62
Gillamoore	205.63	7.36	0.00	212.99	142.00	165.65	189.32	212.99	260.33	307.65	354.99	425.98

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Gilling East	205.63	15.80	0.00	221.43	147.62	172.22	196.82	221.43	270.64	319.84	369.05	442.86
Habton	205.63	8.57	0.00	214.20	142.80	166.60	190.40	214.20	261.80	309.40	357.00	428.40
Harome	205.63	36.68	0.00	242.31	161.54	188.46	215.38	242.31	296.16	350.00	403.85	484.62
Hartoft	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Harton	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Hawnby	205.63	9.97	0.00	215.60	143.74	167.68	191.64	215.60	263.52	311.42	359.34	431.20
Helmsley	205.63	129.29	0.00	334.92	223.28	260.49	297.70	334.92	409.35	483.77	558.20	669.84
Henderskelfe	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Heslerton	205.63	25.69	0.00	231.32	154.22	179.91	205.62	231.32	282.73	334.13	385.54	462.64
Hovingham & Scackleton	205.63	26.83	0.00	232.46	154.98	180.80	206.63	232.46	284.12	335.77	387.44	464.92
Howsham	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Hutton le Hole	205.63	55.37	0.00	261.00	174.00	203.00	232.00	261.00	319.00	377.00	435.00	522.00
Huttons Ambo	205.63	22.64	0.00	228.27	152.18	177.54	202.90	228.27	279.00	329.72	380.45	456.54
Kirbygrindalythe	205.63	25.74	0.00	231.37	154.25	179.95	205.66	231.37	282.79	334.20	385.62	462.74
Kirbymisperton	205.63	20.57	12.15	238.35	158.90	185.38	211.86	238.35	291.32	344.28	397.25	476.70
Kirkbymoorside	205.63	64.78	0.00	270.41	180.28	210.31	240.36	270.41	330.51	390.59	450.69	540.82
Langton	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Lastingham	205.63	23.61	0.00	229.24	152.83	178.29	203.77	229.24	280.19	331.12	382.07	458.48
Leavening	205.63	13.73	0.00	219.36	146.24	170.61	194.98	219.36	268.11	316.85	365.60	438.72
Levisham	205.63	0.00	12.15	217.78	145.19	169.38	193.58	217.78	266.18	314.57	362.97	435.56
Lillings Ambo	205.63	12.37	0.00	218.00	145.34	169.55	193.78	218.00	266.45	314.89	363.34	436.00
Lockton	205.63	33.80	12.15	251.58	167.72	195.67	223.62	251.58	307.49	363.39	419.30	503.16
Luttons	205.63	36.14	0.00	241.77	161.18	188.04	214.90	241.77	295.50	349.22	402.95	483.54
Malton	205.63	100.58	5.14	311.35	207.57	242.16	276.75	311.35	380.54	449.72	518.92	622.70
Marishes	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Marton	205.63	4.08	12.15	221.86	147.91	172.55	197.21	221.86	271.17	320.46	369.77	443.72
Nawton	205.63	18.52	0.00	224.15	149.44	174.33	199.24	224.15	273.97	323.77	373.59	448.30
Newton on Rawcliffe & Stape	205.63	17.57	12.15	235.35	156.90	183.05	209.20	235.35	287.65	339.95	392.25	470.70
Normanby	205.63	6.09	12.15	223.87	149.25	174.12	198.99	223.87	273.62	323.37	373.12	447.74
Norton	205.63	60.93	7.65	274.21	182.81	213.27	243.74	274.21	335.15	396.08	457.02	548.42
Nunnington	205.63	11.90	0.00	217.53	145.02	169.19	193.36	217.53	265.87	314.21	362.55	435.06
Old Byland & Scawton	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Oswaldkirk	205.63	23.18	0.00	228.81	152.54	177.96	203.38	228.81	279.66	330.50	381.35	457.62
Pickering	205.63	66.95	0.00	272.58	181.72	212.00	242.29	272.58	333.16	393.73	454.30	545.16
Pockley	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26

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Rievaulx	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Rillington	205.63	37.96	0.00	243.59	162.40	189.45	216.52	243.59	297.73	351.85	405.99	487.18
Rosedale East & West	205.63	40.42	12.15	258.20	172.14	200.82	229.51	258.20	315.58	372.95	430.34	516.40
Salton	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Scagglethorpe	205.63	32.01	0.00	237.64	158.43	184.83	211.23	237.64	290.45	343.26	396.07	475.28
Scampston & East and West Knaptons	205.63	18.38	0.00	224.01	149.34	174.23	199.12	224.01	273.79	323.57	373.35	448.02
Scrayingham and Leppington	205.63	13.87	0.00	219.50	146.34	170.72	195.11	219.50	268.28	317.05	365.84	439.00
Settrington	205.63	31.95	0.00	237.58	158.39	184.78	211.18	237.58	290.38	343.17	395.97	475.16
Sherburn	205.63	103.41	0.00	309.04	206.03	240.36	274.70	309.04	377.72	446.39	515.07	618.08
Sheriff Hutton with Cornborough	205.63	35.25	0.00	240.88	160.59	187.35	214.11	240.88	294.41	347.94	401.47	481.76
Sinnington	205.63	28.30	12.15	246.08	164.06	191.39	218.74	246.08	300.77	355.45	410.14	492.16
Slingsby	205.63	28.42	0.00	234.05	156.04	182.03	208.04	234.05	286.07	338.07	390.09	468.10
Southolme & Fryton	205.63	19.92	0.00	225.55	150.37	175.42	200.49	225.55	275.68	325.79	375.92	451.10
Spaunton	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Sproxton	205.63	4.18	0.00	209.81	139.88	163.18	186.50	209.81	256.44	303.06	349.69	419.62
Stonegrave	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Swinton	205.63	27.82	0.00	233.45	155.64	181.57	207.51	233.45	285.33	337.20	389.09	466.90
Terrington	205.63	13.06	0.00	218.69	145.80	170.09	194.39	218.69	267.29	315.88	364.49	437.38
Thixendale	205.63	18.50	0.00	224.13	149.42	174.32	199.22	224.13	273.94	323.74	373.55	448.26
Thornton le Dale	205.63	52.53	0.00	258.16	172.11	200.79	229.47	258.16	315.53	372.90	430.27	516.32
Thorpe Bassett	205.63	12.57	0.00	218.20	145.47	169.71	193.95	218.20	266.69	315.18	363.67	436.40
Warthill	205.63	16.30	0.00	221.93	147.96	172.61	197.27	221.93	271.25	320.56	369.89	443.86
Weaverthorpe	205.63	39.68	0.00	245.31	163.54	190.79	218.05	245.31	299.83	354.34	408.85	490.62
Welburn (Kirkbymoorside)	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Welburn (Malton)	205.63	18.30	0.00	223.93	149.29	174.16	199.05	223.93	273.70	323.45	373.22	447.86
Westow	205.63	14.78	0.00	220.41	146.94	171.43	195.92	220.41	269.39	318.37	367.35	440.82
Wharram	205.63	0.00	0.00	205.63	137.09	159.93	182.78	205.63	251.33	297.02	342.72	411.26
Whitwell on the Hill & Crambe	205.63	8.56	0.00	214.19	142.80	166.59	190.39	214.19	261.79	309.38	356.99	428.38
Willerby and Staxton	205.63	34.65	0.00	240.28	160.19	186.88	213.58	240.28	293.68	347.07	400.47	480.56
Wintringham	205.63	26.69	0.00	232.32	154.88	180.69	206.50	232.32	283.95	335.57	387.20	464.64
Wombledon	205.63	30.07	0.00	235.70	157.14	183.32	209.51	235.70	288.08	340.45	392.84	471.40

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Acklam	1326.90	1548.03	1769.19	1990.34	2432.65	2874.93	3317.24	3980.68
Aislabby, Middleton & Wrelton	1318.08	1537.74	1757.43	1977.11	2416.48	2855.82	3295.19	3954.22
Allerston & Wilton	1341.42	1564.97	1788.55	2012.12	2459.27	2906.39	3353.54	4024.24
Amotherby	1331.45	1553.33	1775.25	1997.16	2440.99	2884.78	3328.61	3994.32
Ampleforth	1335.18	1557.68	1780.22	2002.75	2447.82	2892.85	3337.93	4005.50
Appleton le Moors	1314.97	1534.10	1753.28	1972.44	2410.78	2849.07	3287.41	3944.88
Appleton le Street	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Barton le Street	1312.66	1531.41	1750.20	1968.98	2406.55	2844.08	3281.64	3937.96
Barton le Willows	1323.78	1544.38	1765.02	1985.65	2426.92	2868.15	3309.43	3971.30
Barugh's Ambo	1346.64	1571.06	1795.51	2019.95	2468.84	2917.70	3366.59	4039.90
Beadlam	1332.32	1554.34	1776.41	1998.46	2442.58	2886.66	3330.78	3996.92
Birdsall	1310.52	1528.91	1747.34	1965.76	2402.61	2839.42	3276.28	3931.52
Bransdale	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Brawby	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Broughton	1332.66	1554.75	1776.87	1998.98	2443.21	2887.41	3331.64	3997.96
Bulmer	1325.54	1546.43	1767.37	1988.29	2430.15	2871.97	3313.83	3976.58
Burythorpe	1317.50	1537.06	1756.65	1976.24	2415.42	2854.56	3293.74	3952.48
Buttercrambe	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Byland with Wass & Oldstead	1312.28	1530.97	1749.69	1968.41	2405.85	2843.25	3280.69	3936.82
Cawton, Coulton & Grimstone	1313.51	1532.40	1751.33	1970.25	2408.10	2845.91	3283.76	3940.50
Claxton & Sand Hutton	1325.55	1546.45	1767.38	1988.31	2430.17	2872.00	3313.86	3976.62
Cold Kirby	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Coneysthorpe	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Cropton	1324.35	1545.05	1765.78	1986.51	2427.97	2869.40	3310.86	3973.02
Ebberston & Yedingham	1338.90	1562.02	1785.18	2008.33	2454.64	2900.91	3347.23	4016.66
Edstone	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Fadmoor	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Farndale East	1316.12	1535.45	1754.81	1974.17	2412.89	2851.57	3290.29	3948.34
Farndale West	1315.55	1534.78	1754.05	1973.31	2411.84	2850.33	3288.86	3946.62
Flaxton	1325.28	1546.14	1767.03	1987.91	2429.68	2871.42	3313.19	3975.82
Foston & Thornton le Clay	1321.10	1541.25	1761.45	1981.63	2422.01	2862.35	3302.73	3963.26
Foxholes & Butterwick	1331.88	1553.83	1775.82	1997.80	2441.77	2885.70	3329.68	3995.60
Ganton & Potter Brompton	1319.20	1539.03	1758.91	1978.78	2418.53	2858.23	3297.98	3957.56
Gate Helmsley & Upper Helmsley	1326.38	1547.42	1768.49	1989.56	2431.70	2873.80	3315.94	3979.12
Gillamoore	1312.84	1531.61	1750.43	1969.24	2406.87	2844.45	3282.08	3938.48

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Gilling East	1318.46	1538.18	1757.93	1977.68	2417.18	2856.64	3296.14	3955.36
Habton	1313.64	1532.56	1751.51	1970.45	2408.34	2846.20	3284.09	3940.90
Harome	1332.38	1554.42	1776.49	1998.56	2442.70	2886.80	3330.94	3997.12
Hartoft	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Harton	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Hawnby	1314.58	1533.64	1752.75	1971.85	2410.06	2848.22	3286.43	3943.70
Helmsley	1394.12	1626.45	1858.81	2091.17	2555.89	3020.57	3485.29	4182.34
Henderskelfe	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Heslerton	1325.06	1545.87	1766.73	1987.57	2429.27	2870.93	3312.63	3975.14
Hovingham & Scackleton	1325.82	1546.76	1767.74	1988.71	2430.66	2872.57	3314.53	3977.42
Howsham	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Hutton le Hole	1344.84	1568.96	1793.11	2017.25	2465.54	2913.80	3362.09	4034.50
Huttons Ambo	1323.02	1543.50	1764.01	1984.52	2425.54	2866.52	3307.54	3969.04
Kirbygrindalythe	1325.09	1545.91	1766.77	1987.62	2429.33	2871.00	3312.71	3975.24
Kirbymisperton	1329.74	1551.34	1772.97	1994.60	2437.86	2881.08	3324.34	3989.20
Kirkbymoorside	1351.12	1576.27	1801.47	2026.66	2477.05	2927.39	3377.78	4053.32
Langton	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Lastingham	1323.67	1544.25	1764.88	1985.49	2426.73	2867.92	3309.16	3970.98
Leavening	1317.08	1536.57	1756.09	1975.61	2414.65	2853.65	3292.69	3951.22
Levisham	1316.03	1535.34	1754.69	1974.03	2412.72	2851.37	3290.06	3948.06
Lillings Ambo	1316.18	1535.51	1754.89	1974.25	2412.99	2851.69	3290.43	3948.50
Lockton	1338.56	1561.63	1784.73	2007.83	2454.03	2900.19	3346.39	4015.66
Luttons	1332.02	1554.00	1776.01	1998.02	2442.04	2886.02	3330.04	3996.04
Malton	1378.41	1608.12	1837.86	2067.60	2527.08	2986.52	3446.01	4135.20
Marishes	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Marton	1318.75	1538.51	1758.32	1978.11	2417.71	2857.26	3296.86	3956.22
Nawton	1320.28	1540.29	1760.35	1980.40	2420.51	2860.57	3300.68	3960.80
Newton on Rawcliffe and Stape	1327.74	1549.01	1770.31	1991.60	2434.19	2876.75	3319.34	3983.20
Normanby	1320.09	1540.08	1760.10	1980.12	2420.16	2860.17	3300.21	3960.24
Norton	1353.65	1579.23	1804.85	2030.46	2481.69	2932.88	3384.11	4060.92
Nunnington	1315.86	1535.15	1754.47	1973.78	2412.41	2851.01	3289.64	3947.56
Old Byland & Scawton	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Oswaldkirk	1323.38	1543.92	1764.49	1985.06	2426.20	2867.30	3308.44	3970.12
Pickering	1352.56	1577.96	1803.40	2028.83	2479.70	2930.53	3381.39	4057.66
Pockley	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76

Parish / Town	Council Tax at Band							
	A 6/9 £	B 7/9 £	C 8/9 £	D 9/9 £	E 11/9 £	F 13/9 £	G 15/9 £	H 18/9 £
Rievaulx	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Rillington	1333.24	1555.41	1777.63	1999.84	2444.27	2888.65	3333.08	3999.68
Rosedale East & West	1342.98	1566.78	1790.62	2014.45	2462.12	2909.75	3357.43	4028.90
Salton	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Scagglethorpe	1329.27	1550.79	1772.34	1993.89	2436.99	2880.06	3323.16	3987.78
Scampston with E & W Knapton	1320.18	1540.19	1760.23	1980.26	2420.33	2860.37	3300.44	3960.52
Scrayingham & Leppington	1317.18	1536.68	1756.22	1975.75	2414.82	2853.85	3292.93	3951.50
Settrington	1329.23	1550.74	1772.29	1993.83	2436.92	2879.97	3323.06	3987.66
Sherburn	1376.87	1606.32	1835.81	2065.29	2524.26	2983.19	3442.16	4130.58
Sheriff Hutton with Cornborough	1331.43	1553.31	1775.22	1997.13	2440.95	2884.74	3328.56	3994.26
Sinnington	1334.90	1557.35	1779.85	2002.33	2447.31	2892.25	3337.23	4004.66
Slingsby	1326.88	1547.99	1769.15	1990.30	2432.61	2874.87	3317.18	3980.60
Southolme & Fryton	1321.21	1541.38	1761.60	1981.80	2422.22	2862.59	3303.01	3963.60
Spaunton	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Sproxton	1310.72	1529.14	1747.61	1966.06	2402.98	2839.86	3276.78	3932.12
Stonegrave	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Swinton	1326.48	1547.53	1768.62	1989.70	2431.87	2874.00	3316.18	3979.40
Terrington	1316.64	1536.05	1755.50	1974.94	2413.83	2852.68	3291.58	3949.88
Thixendale	1320.26	1540.28	1760.33	1980.38	2420.48	2860.54	3300.64	3960.76
Thornton le Dale	1342.95	1566.75	1790.58	2014.41	2462.07	2909.70	3357.36	4028.82
Thorpe Bassett	1316.31	1535.67	1755.06	1974.45	2413.23	2851.98	3290.76	3948.90
Warthill	1318.80	1538.57	1758.38	1978.18	2417.79	2857.36	3296.98	3956.36
Weaverthorpe	1334.38	1556.75	1779.16	2001.56	2446.37	2891.14	3335.94	4003.12
Welburn (Kirkbymoorside)	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Welburn (Malton)	1320.13	1540.12	1760.16	1980.18	2420.24	2860.25	3300.31	3960.36
Westow	1317.78	1537.39	1757.03	1976.66	2415.93	2855.17	3294.44	3953.32
Wharram	1307.93	1525.89	1743.89	1961.88	2397.87	2833.82	3269.81	3923.76
Whitwell on the Hill & Crambe	1313.64	1532.55	1751.50	1970.44	2408.33	2846.18	3284.08	3940.88
Willerby & Staxton	1331.03	1552.84	1774.69	1996.53	2440.22	2883.87	3327.56	3993.06
Wintringham	1325.72	1546.65	1767.61	1988.57	2430.49	2872.37	3314.29	3977.14
Wombledon	1327.98	1549.28	1770.62	1991.95	2434.62	2877.25	3319.93	3983.90

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REPORT TO: FULL COUNCIL

DATE: 18 FEBRUARY 2021

SUBJECT: PART 'B' REFERRALS FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE ON 4 FEBRUARY 2021

Ryedale's Financial Strategy 2021-25

Recommendation from Policy and Resources Committee, as amended and subsequently approved by Full Council.

Recommendation

That Council is recommended to agree the updated Financial Strategy and in particular:

- (i) To note the Section 25 assurance statement provided by the Chief Finance Officer (s151) regarding the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of the reserves and the risk assessment detailed in Section 10 of the Strategy
- (ii) To approve a revenue budget of Revenue Budget for 2021/22 of £9,600k, after use of Reserves which includes
 - a. Savings/additional income totalling £377k (Financial Strategy Appendix 3)
 - b. Growth Pressures totalling £971k (Financial Strategy Appendix 4)
 - c. One-off contingency to support COVID costs amounting to £787k, funded from reserves
 - d. One-off maintenance costs of £55k funded from reserves
- (iii) to approve a council tax increase of £4.90 for a Band D property
- (iv) to approve the special expenses amounting to £54,090
- (v) to approve the revised Capital Programme (Appendix 6)
- (vi) to note the financial projection for 2020/21 – 2024/25
- (vii) to note that there may be a need to revisit the budget mid-year, in the light of changing circumstances such as potential continuing costs relating to COVID or other unquantifiable pressures, and that any future proposals will be brought forward on a case-by-case basis

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REPORT TO: FULL COUNCIL
DATE: 15 APRIL 2021
SUBJECT: PART 'B' REFERRALS FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE ON 18 MARCH 2021

53 Ryedale Plan – Local Plan Review – Call for sites consultation

Considered – report of the Head of Planning and Regulatory Services

Recommendation

It is recommended to Council that:

- (i) Members agree the appended Ryedale Plan - Local Plan Review - Call for Sites Consultation material subject to an amendment to replace the word 'sole' with the word 'main' in paragraph 5 of the Draft Site Submission Form Template.

Voting record

Approved by general affirmation

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PART B:	RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL
REPORT TO:	POLICY AND RESOURCES
DATE:	18 MARCH 2021
REPORT OF THE:	HEAD OF PLANNING AND REGULATORY SERVICES GARY HOUSDEN
TITLE OF REPORT:	RYEDALE PLAN – LOCAL PLAN REVIEW - CALL FOR SITES CONSULTATION
WARDS AFFECTED:	ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To agree to recommend the Ryedale Plan- Local Plan Review- Call for Sites Consultation for inclusion on the agenda of the meeting of Council on the 15 April 2021.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 It is recommended to Council that:
(i) Members agree the appended Ryedale Plan- Local Plan Review- Call for Sites Consultation material.

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 3.1 The consultation material (and the questions it asks of sites) will form a key part of the framework for the assessment (and sustainability appraisal) of site submissions to assess their potential suitability for allocations in the forthcoming review of the Ryedale Plan. Whilst it is not setting any policy in itself, it is setting part of the framework for assessing sites.

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

- 4.1 There are no significant risks that Members need to be aware of in making a recommendation of approval to this consultation document.
- 4.2 The consultation on the call for sites is a specific consultation which is targeting those with land interests. It forms part of a wider suite of evidence and information gathering undertaken prior to preparing a draft plan. It will provide the Officers and Members with information about their deliverability (i.e. the readiness of the site to come forward) and

their developability (i.e. the ability of the site to come forward and be built out).

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

- 5.1 As a key early consultation in the preparing of planning policy, the call for sites is an important element of the Local Plan Review, which is a Council priority. It also therefore has a direct role to play in the delivery of the Council Plan.
- 5.2 Much of this consultation has been informed by experience of the process and some of the work previously undertaken to assess sites in the Local Plan Sites Document (adopted 2019), in terms of the assessment framework. We will be consulting separately the prescribed consultation bodies of Natural England, The Environment Agency and Heritage England concerning the aspect of Sustainability Appraisal of the sites and the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Framework.
- 5.3 Upon approval by Council, the consultation material will be published online, a notification posted/ emailed out to those landowners/developers/agents on our consultation list. Officers will liaise with the Communications Team to apply the corporate branding to the material produced to publicise for the consultation. We will also be doing a press release and publicity on the Council's website and a notification through social media to raise awareness.
- 5.4 This wider publicity is important: based on the timescale of the Local Plan Review we are only going to undertake one call for sites. Past experience has shown that if sites are continually submitted, it is more difficult to reach a firm resolution on site choices in a timely manner.

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6.0 REPORT DETAILS

- 6.1 The Call for Sites Consultation is by nature not a consultation which determines or seeks views on policy approaches, or to make strategic decisions about development sites. It is primarily an invitation to those with an interest in the development of land to make those interests known to the Local Planning Authority. It is undertaken at an early stage in the review of the Plan to identify the availability of land in the first instance. It does not pre-empt or prejudice any site, as the iterative process of evidence collation, discussion, Sustainability Appraisal (and Strategic Environmental Assessment) and consideration of strategic decisions has not been made.
- 6.2 This proposed call for sites is, however, different to the one undertaken for the Ryedale Plan in three significant ways.
- 6.3 Previous plan-making work developed the strategy first, with the sites following on from establishing these key spatial principles. In the review of the Ryedale Plan, there will be a iterative and mutual consideration of both sites and strategic policy choices and their capacity to influence each other;
- 6.4 The call for sites for the Ryedale Plan was ultimately undertaken over a period of 13 years (2004 until publication in late 2017) - which was very much a product of its time and plan-making circumstances. This call for sites will be a single event, running for at least two months. Whilst the Council would accept further site information after that time, it is not proposed that we will accept further sites into our assessment process.

The process becomes unmanageable if there is a commitment to accept further site submissions by the Council, as evidence needs to be perpetually updated particularly when it is of a cumulative/strategic nature. But the Council cannot at this stage halt any future site submissions, and so the onus will be on any late site submitter to demonstrate through their own evidence that their site performs better than those the Council has identified, in relation to the site's sustainability credentials. This will become increasingly difficult to demonstrate when sites are considered in a cumulative capacity, and in terms of demonstrating parity in the level of consultation undertaken on sites.

6.5 The third difference relates to the scale and detail of information we are now seeking in relation to site submissions. The Ryedale Plan call for sites merely sought a site plan with a covering letter identifying ownership and the proposed land use. Lots more information was provided later, or was derived from our own evidence collection. As now appended, the call for sites consultation seeks much more information about the sites being submitted to be provided up-front. It is for this reason we have sought a Council-level decision on this consultation concerning the level of information being sought, and the questions asked of those sites. It is important given the timescales of the Local Plan review that we have this information front-loaded and provided in a timely manner, to avoid slippage.

6.6 The key document is the Site Submission Form Template, which is appended to this report. It is structured so as to provide a clear context to the submission of sites, timescales and the general principles around the site assessment process. The Site Submission Form template is then broadly split into the following areas:

- General site information (location, size, landowner details, agent details);
- Whether a developer already has an interest in the site;
- Existing uses and implications of this such as (covenants/ ransom strips/ contamination/ surrounding uses)- and when the land would be available by;
- Proposed use
- Any density/yield (for housing);
- Whether the site can be delivered in stages or providing different types of development, or different tenures or built-types;
- Any 'Enabling Development' considerations;
- Whether the site is for solely affordable housing or whether it will be able to deliver affordable housing contributions as per the existing policy;
- Delivery of 5% bungalows on sites of 50 dwellings or more;
- Details around public transport accessibility;
- Details of any capability to connect to utilities
- Details and findings of any technical surveys on the site;
- Compliance with adopting the Energy Hierarchy of the Local Plan Strategy. In so far as: Minimising energy usage; Using on-site renewable energy
Using decentralised low carbon energy delivery on the site; What sustainable build standards will be achieved; and EV charging capacity;
- Whether the site delivers national space standards;
- Green and blue infrastructure delivery;
- Delivery of Biodiversity net gain;
- Public Rights of Way and public realm considerations
- Viability and vitality consideration of commercial proposals on the town centres
- Details of premises in relation to employment sites

- Delivery of s.106 requirements in relation to affordable housing provision as set out in the Ryedale Plan Local Plan Strategy;
- Delivery of the CIL charging requirements;

6.7 The questions ask initially about practical/legal sites considerations, they also refer to the ability to comply with existing policy requirements (such as CIL and affordable housing) as a standard/benchmark from which to consider viability in conjunction with other 'asks' and requirements placed on sites. These are established and tested policy requirements within the context of operation of the Ryedale Local Plan Strategy. Viability will remain an important consideration, as sites allocated for any land uses need to be deliverable, in order to ensure that a robust land supply can be sustained.

6.8 If technical reports have been produced to consider certain aspects of a site, then these will be considered within the context of any existing information we hold about sites, and would be considered by statutory consultees who have specific, technical knowledge on these aspects. The ability to secure these documents will be essentially a function of the size of the site and any known site constraints/context which may inform the need for further investigation. It is also acknowledged that, for example, ecological survey work will need to be carried out at the right time responding to species particular lifecycles.

6.9 Upon receipt of the information, the site will be entered into a site database and given a unique ID, this ID will be then referenced throughout the process in consultation material to provide a clear means of identifying how sites have been considered through the site assessment process, and to assist both those who have submitted the site, but also those wishing to comment on the sites. The planning policy pages will have a dedicated webpage which will have maps of the individual site submissions and also identified by settlement/parish maps so that local communities can see what land submissions have been made.

6.10 The information will be then form a database of sites features, which Officers will then use to populate the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) and Employment Land Review ELR which are technical documents which evidence the availability of land for specific uses. The more detailed information will also populate a Site Selection Methodology Table (format to be determined), which will be part of the Sustainability Appraisal process of the sites and the policies of the plan. This will involve engagement with a range of stakeholders (including Town and Parish Councils) in the consideration of the sites' suitability for development in accordance with any emerging strategic policy approaches around the distribution of development across the District.

6.11 The publicity around these site submissions will need to be managed so that as the sites 'advance' through the assessment process, the greater publicity will be directed to these sites. Although the Council will still be expected to undertake consultation on the eventually discounted sites, and set out why these sites are discounted, but it will not involve on-site publicity. This is set out in the proposed Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The following implications have been identified:
a) Financial

The work is covered by existing budgetary provision.

- b) Legal
The consultation will need to be undertaken in accordance with our SCI as a statutory requirement and the site assessment process will also need to meet all statutory requirements
- c) Other (Equalities, Staffing, Planning, Health & Safety, Environmental and Climate Change, Crime & Disorder)
Equalities considerations are considered through compliance with the Statement of Community Involvement. Staffing has been expanded to deliver this area of the plan review. The call for sites is an important early stage in reviewing planning policy and will also assist in our objectives around health and safety considerations. Environmental impacts and Climate Change considerations are an integral part of the site assessment process. There are no crime and disorder implications identified.

8.0 NEXT STEPS

- 8.1 Subject to Council approval, the call for sites consultation will commence as soon as practicable after the decision. This is to ensure that the consultation aligns with timetable as set out in recently approved Local Development Scheme.
- 8.2 Officers will liaise with the Communications Team to ensure also publicity and consultation material is ready for that consultation to commence.
- 8.3 The outcome of the call for sites will provide the Council with a selection of sites to be considered, in relation to their sustainability, to be identified as potential allocations in the review of the Ryedale Plan. Once the Council has agreed a selection of sites as option choices for potential allocation, further public consultation will be undertaken on the sites, including site notices. This is set out in the review of the Statement of Community Involvement. Site notices will, again, be used at the formal publication stage of the plan review, which will identify the proposed allocations.

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Background Papers:
Draft Call for Sites Consultation - Site Submission Template

Background Papers are available for inspection at:

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Draft Site Submission Form Template:

There is to be **ONE** call for sites, and acknowledging that it may take some time to prepare any material, if a site is not received by **1 July 2021** it will NOT be able to be considered by the Council through the site assessment process. For any late site submissions, the onus will be on the site submitter to demonstrate that their site performs better (in sustainability terms) than the councils preferred sites. There is **no automatic consideration of previously submitted sites**, so a previous submission of a site will need to be re-submitted in light with the information requirements we have set out below.

The Council is also be expecting that site submitters provide a much greater input into the production and collation of evidence which informs the site assessment process, and which will consider sites in comparison with others in a given settlement. Whilst this may not be immediately available- we would expect material to be eventually provided in relation to all these site considerations, and in proportional and timely manner.

At this early stage, we have not made any decisions on the strategy for the distribution of development. So we are unable to stipulate where sites should be from, their size or their use/tenure type. The District Council will be considering the site's location in relation to the chosen distribution strategy and consequential settlement hierarchy, the sequentially testing of sites in relation to retail and flood risk; landscape character and settlement settling, and any heritage setting considerations. It will also cumulative considerations around highway capacity and air quality. It will also look at the on-site sustainability credentials of a site in relation to how it can make a meaningful contribution to reducing carbon emissions and use of natural resources. The sites we assess will give indications of capacity at settlement, this is in relation to both the infrastructure needed for the development of the site, and the impact on the setting of the settlement. Therefore as we consult upon, and eventually establish, the proposed Distribution Strategy and Settlement Hierarchy - then the sites assessment work will iteratively inform that work, informing that emerging strategic framework.

The Council does have a body of technical data which it will be using to assess sites, and will also commission further strategic technical studies of a district-wide nature. Your site may not be automatically discounted if you are unable to provide some of the site-specific technical evidence, and information about sites could be provided later (for example if this allows a more robust level of information). However, if other sites have more information about their deliverability and developability, then this means those sites will perform more favourability in the site assessment process relative to those that do not.

We will be relying where possible on using email as the sole means of communication. Electronic submission of this form and any associated documents would be preferred. If file sizes are a barrier to this, please send via a zipped file or by a file sharing platform to localplan@ryedale.gov.uk

If email is not available, please post your completed questionnaire and any documentation to: **Planning Policy (Call for Sites), Ryedale District Council, Ryedale House, Old Malton Road, Malton, North Yorkshire YO17 7HH**

(FOR OFFICE USE) SITE REFERENCE NUMBER:
Address of site with post code and grid references if possible
Landowner(s) Full name(s):
Landowner(s) Address(s):
Landowner(s) email address(es):
Please provide confirmation from each landowner are in agreement with the proposed site inclusion and for the proposed use. Please ensure that they consent to providing this and their contact details (Please provide on a separate page).
Has the site been marketed for sale?
Is the landowner a Developer?
Does a developer have an 'option' on the land?
Agent's full name
Agents address details with an email contact
Please provide a clearly annotated map of the site in question- site outlined clearly with the access to any roads identified. The map should show the site identified at least two road names where possible.
Where is the site in relation the existing Development Limits of the Settlement
Total site area in Ha:
What is the land currently used for?
When will any current use cease?
What is its proposed use: Residential/Employment/ other – please specify?
If it is for housing, how many units do you anticipate your scheme will be able to deliver? Can the site achieve an appropriate density to achieve the most efficient use of the land, whilst still considering any local design context?
When is the land anticipated to be available? 0-5 years 6-10 years 11-15 years
Do you have a developer interested in/contracted to your site? If so please provide a contact:

Would you consider (through consultation) the sub-division of the site for a smaller area, if this was considered to be a better response to the site's circumstances?
Would you be prepared to release land for other types of housing delivery (such as self-build)?
Is this site coming forward on the basis of meeting an identified conservation deficit as per the Historic England definition of Enabling Development and if so please provide your evidence:
Are you aware of any restrictive covenants on the land or legal agreements such as ransom strips? If so, please outline how these can be addressed/overcome?
Is the site capable of delivering Affordable Housing as set out in the current Ryedale Plan Policy SP3 (as amended in line with national planning guidance)?
Would you be willing to consider your site for solely affordable housing delivery?
What provision has been made for Ryedale's elderly population, including a 5% allowance for bungalows on sites of 50 dwellings or more?
Is your site previously developed land* and if so is it subject to a land contamination survey? *does not include gardens or buildings in agricultural use (as per the NPPF definition)
What is the nearest public transport to the site? please provide details
Is the site serviced by any utilities (Water/Sewerage/Electricity/Gas/ Fibre Broadband/community heating)
Has your site being subjected to any surveys concerning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Archaeology; • Ecology (provision of biodiversity net gains); • Highways – Transport Assessment or Transport Statement; • For sites over 1ha or over 80 houses- Has a Travel Plan been produced? • Geotechnical survey (on unstable/sloping land) • Flood risk Assessment for sites over 1ha • Air Quality (Malton and Norton) • Noise (if adjacent to a noise emitting use) • Drainage – following the hierarchy of drainage – and including the findings of a percolation test

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerning any heritage assets in or adjacent to the site has a statement of significance been prepared <p>If so, when was this undertaken and please provide electronic copies.</p>
<p>How does the site adopting the Energy Hierarchy of the Local Plan Strategy? In so far as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimising energy usage; Using on-site renewable energy; Using decentralised low carbon energy delivery on the site; Sustainable building design and delivery; <p>If so, what build standards are proposed to be met in relation to this?</p>
<p>Will the development provide private e-vehicle charging infrastructure?</p>
<p>Will the eventual development comply with the national space standards?</p>
<p>What forms of green and blue infrastructure will the site incorporate, and what will be their purpose (recreational/climate change resilience)?</p>
<p>Would the development impact on protected and unprotected trees, hedgerows and ancient woodland, and if so has an arboricultural assessment been undertaken?</p>
<p>How would the site deliver biodiversity net gains?</p>
<p>How does the site respond to the presence of any public rights of way?</p>
<p>Does the proposal involve new public realm or enhancements to the existing public realm as part of its development?</p>
<p>Commercial sites: Will the site promote the viability and vitality of the Principal Town or Local Service Centre?</p>
<p>What type of premises will be proposed on the site: Expansion for existing businesses; Start-up premises; Business park;</p>
<p>Will the development be capable of meeting the usual range of site-specific s106 requirements, such as on-site open space and affordable housing as set out in the Ryedale Plan- Local Plan Strategy? If not, why?</p>
<p>Will the development deliver the requirements of the Ryedale CIL Charging Schedule? If not, why?</p>

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REPORT TO: FULL COUNCIL

DATE: 15 APRIL 2021

SUBJECT: PART 'B' REFERRALS FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE ON 18 MARCH 2021

54 Statement of Community Involvement

Considered – report of the Head of Planning and Regulatory Services

Recommendation

It is recommended to Council that:

- (i) Members agree the appended Statement of Community Involvement for implementation.

Voting record

Approved by general affirmation

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PART B:	RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL
REPORT TO:	POLICY AND RESOURCES
DATE:	18 MARCH 2021
REPORT OF THE:	HEAD OF PLANNING AND REGULATORY SERVICES GARY HOUSDEN
TITLE OF REPORT:	STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
WARDS AFFECTED:	ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To agree to recommend the Statement of Community Involvement for inclusion on the agenda of the meeting of Council on the 15 April 2021.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 It is recommended to Council that:
(i) Members agree the appended Statement of Community Involvement for implementation.

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) is statutory procedural document which sets out how the planning service will engage in planning matters with stakeholders. It is focused on the preparation of planning policy, and detailing with applications made under the Planning Acts.

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

- 4.1 There are no significant risks that Members need to be aware of in making the decision to recommend approval the SCI for use in the plan review, and for the consultation procedures on planning applications.
- 4.2 It is important for Members to be aware that the SCI is an important procedural document for the Planning Service. It sets out how, when and who we will consult with in the making of planning policy, and the consultation on planning applications and other applications covered by the Planning Acts. Adherence to the document is

required in the plan-making process, and also in the consideration of planning applications through consultation processes. Failure to undertake consultation in accordance with this document can render a plan legally unsound, and can also lead to legal challenges on the validity of planning decisions.

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

- 5.1 The SCI is a document which was brought into effect by the 2004 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act, and its broad content is prescribed in the 2012 Local Planning Regulations. It is these regulations that define the key stages of process in preparing planning policy documents: setting out how, when and who with we consult with in key stages when dealing with plan making. It sits alongside the Local Development Scheme (LDS) which is the work programme for delivery of planning policy. It therefore directly impacts on the delivery of planning service. It directs the procedures and processes in the development of planning policy through consultation, and therefore informs and evidences the policy approaches chosen in the Plan. It also sets out the role of the District Council in neighbourhood planning; preparation of the Supplementary Planning Documents; and the approach to consultation on applications under the Planning Acts. There is also a statutory requirement to review SCIs regularly and when starting a Local Plan, or commencing a review of one.
- 5.2 It has a direct impact on the implementation, and therefore delivery of the Local Plan Review, which is a Council priority. It also therefore has an indirect, but important role to play in the delivery of the Council Plan. It also provides the framework for consulting around planning applications- which are an important opportunity for local communities to comment on applications that they consider affect them. Whilst it is a consultation manual which is solely for planning matters, Officers will liaise with the Communications Team to apply the corporate branding to the document.
- 5.3 A short consultation on the review of the SCI was commenced post the decision to agree the Local Development Scheme, and finished on the 1 March 2021. Although not formally required, it is identified as being good practice to seek the views of stakeholders. The findings of this have been fed into the document prior to the document being finalised. The SCI is presented with a consultation statement setting out who was consulted, their comments, and the response to the comments in relation to the SCI.

REPORT

6.0 REPORT DETAILS

- 6.1 Both the preparation of planning policy, and the consideration of applications under the Planning Acts is, for the most part, set within a prescribed regulatory framework provided by statutory regulations. So these regulations must be complied with in the first instance- as going above and beyond them can undermine the consultation undertaken because it may then not be identified as being duly made.
- 6.2 The SCI, however, sets out in a comprehensive manner how this is undertaken in detail. It provides the ability to set out the types of engagement we will undertake at different stages in the process. It does so in an easily understood format- to help, in particular, local communities and organisations in their awareness of how and when they can participate in planning matters. It is important that this is set out in clear terms

because the SCI is as much about informing engagement as it is managing engagement for those who may not be very familiar with the planning process. Any form of consultation set out in the SCI must be realistically achievable, and not place unrealistic or impractical expectations on how consultation will be undertaken. This is particularly important at the preparation stage, to undertake meaningful and engaging consultation, but in a responsive way.

6.3 The broad structure of the SCI is split into four main components:

- Introduction and context to the SCI and planning consultations;
- Planning policy making, covering: consultation on Local Plans (and their Review); Neighbourhood Planning; Supplementary Planning Documents; the Duty-to-Cooperate;
- Considering applications made under the Planning Acts (considering differences between major and minor applications and developments subject to EIA regulations; and
- A Glossary- which is necessary to explain some of the technical terminology which needs to be used in the document.

6.4 The introduction which provides the context to what the SCI does, and how it is to operate. It explains the types of community involvement that can be undertaken in principle:

- Participation – active involvement in identifying needs and priorities, such as workshops, focus groups to look at the matter concerned (by subject/topic or by place)
- Consultation – consulting you on your views, such as through on-line consultation processes and surveys on the content of documents and the approach taken or options to consider
- Information – providing data, such as providing notices and publishing reports, and general information

It also explains the role of Members and Officers in terms of how we use/consider this information. The planning system essentially operates within an environment of sometimes competing issues; and we need to apply judgement and weigh any planning 'harm' against the planning 'benefits' to find the best approach to take. It is also about the need to look at the planning issues raised in the public interest.

6.5 Policy Making is broadly split into the following stages which are prescribed in the regulations:

- Preparation and evidence gathering (Regulation 18) is about informing the direction and scope of the plan. This is normally the longest stage in the process, as it is important not to pre-empt or prejudge the policy approach. It is essentially about evidence gathering and the understanding of aspirations and issues. This is where we will undertake more specific and focused consultation and engagement and participation with stakeholders to establish what are the issues facing the district, what are the options to address them, and steer a way forward. We then consult on draft policies and proposed sites (and why we have discounted other sites). This is

where the Duty to Cooperate is at its most active. It is also where we consult with prescribed bodies on key technical assessments: the Sustainability Appraisal and Strategic Environmental Assessment; and in the Habitats Regulations Assessment. It is essential to record the outcomes of consultation at this stage as they form a Statement of Consultation. The Local Plan Working Party will be extensively involved in this stage. This culminates in:

- Publication of the Plan (Regulation 19). This is a formal consultation stage where the Council consult all interested parties for a specified period of time (6 weeks). This publication draft is the version of the plan review that the Council intend to submit to the Secretary of State (MHCLG). The Members of Council agree the Publication of the Plan Review. The proposed Plan and all supporting material is published on line (and normally placed on deposit) and a formal notice is published in the local press. All the comments we receive at this consultation stage have to be specifically catalogued and responded to, and in doing so set out whether this requires a revision to the Plan. This forms the second Statement of Consultation (Regulation 19) which is then part of the submission, it is also considered by Members who agree the submission.
 - Submission is a notification stage. We notify everyone who responded to the Regulation 19 stage via email or letter that we have submitted the Plan to the Secretary of State (The Planning Inspectorate). This is also accompanied by formal press notice and all documentation published on the website. The regulations require that it need only be sent to anyone who sought to be informed is notified. But in Officer's experience it is better to notify anyone who commented on the Plan at Publication stage to avoid missing anyone who forgot to notify us.
 - Examination is where the proposed Plan is tested and appraised by a formal hearing. Communications at this point will be led by the appointed Inspector, via the Programme Officer, who is an intermediary between the Inspectorate, the Council and the participants of the Examination. We also have to publicise the Examination and give details of the time table at least six weeks before the Hearing Sessions Commence. As an outcome of the hearing sessions, we may consult on what are known as 'Main Modifications' (at the direction of Inspector) and this will be by email/letter and will ask very specific questions about changes to the wording of the plan- these can range from factual changes to changes to the wording of policies- it does not permit fundamental modifications- as this would represent a different Plan. Subject to a non-binding Inspector's report which concludes the Plan is 'sound' the final stage is reached:
 - Adoption – this is also a notification stage. However, prior to adoption, a Consultation Statement and summary Sustainability Appraisal is prepared for Members, so that they are able to see how consultation informed the examination process. Upon approval, we give the notification of adoption and provide information on the rights concerning legal challenge.
- 6.6 Planning application consultation is more prescribed than that of plan-making. This is to ensure that timely decision making can take place. Article 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 requires that all planning applications should have some form of publicity. Indeed the minimum requirement for consultation on a planning application is a site notice(s), with any prescribed press notice(s) in a local newspaper. But Ryedale, like many planning authorities, also consults directly with adjoining and neighbouring properties. In doing

so, it does not write to adjacent landowners- only those with a property address. Once the minimum consultation periods have been passed (21 Days since the last consultation undertaken- and in the case of applications subject to Environmental Impact Assessment - 30 days), and all statutorily required consultations have taken place, a decision on the application can be made. Although, in reality, there is often a need to re-consult on aspects, and the Case Officer may apply some discretion in awaiting further, or later, comments. This is because planning applications can be under consideration for some time after a consultation period has finished. This is important, as it allows more meaningful engagement and can lead to better outcomes in a scheme.

- 6.7 Consultation on planning applications, particularly those identified as significant applications (such as those for housing sites) are expected to be subject to community consultation and engagement prior to their submission- and this is undertaken by the applicant.
- 6.7 The Duty to Cooperate is a statutory obligation that requires organisations involved in strategic policy making to demonstrate that they have cooperated with each other in the preparation of Local Plans. In doing so a Statements(s) of Common Ground should be prepared in relation to strategic/cross boundary matters. It documents where effective co-operation is, and is not, happening throughout the plan-making process. It is a way of demonstrating at Examination that plans are deliverable over the plan period, and based on effective joint working across local authority boundaries. In the case of local planning authorities, it also forms part of the evidence required to demonstrate that they have complied with the Duty to Cooperate. Officers will be writing to the prescribed organisations around this duty, and will be preparing in due course a Statement of Common Ground. This is only briefly discussed in the SCI as it involves specific strategic bodies and direct engagement with them on that basis.
- 6.8 In the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Government is keen that the planning system continues to operate effectively, to ensure that its contribution to supporting the economy and delivery of homes can be sustained. The impact of Covid-19 has meant that normal/traditional approaches to face to face consultation events and meetings are not possible. This is extended to the inability to view paper documents on deposit. It is also not clear for how long social distancing (staying at home and away from others) will be enforced. Although, Government guidance has identified that paper copies of planning applications or deposit copies of planning consultation material will not be available until at least December 2021. Therefore the SCI will need to reflect such a position which maximises digital consultation and notification for the foreseeable future and for the life of this SCI, until it is reviewed or the regulations are changed- whichever is the sooner. Any changes will be publicised on the SCI web page.
- 6.9 The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning, Development Management Procedure, Listed Buildings etc.) (England) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 make temporary changes to how documents are required to be made available under regulation 35 and 36 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (“the 2012 Regulations”). They temporarily remove the requirement on a local planning authority to make hard copies of documents available for public inspection at the authority’s principal office and at such other places as the authority considers appropriate (in Ryedale’s case- the public libraries). Documents are still required to be made available on the local planning authority’s website.

- 6.10 The Government has issued guidance to ensure that consultations are undertaken in a manner which combats the spread of Covid-19, they have also indicated that SCIs should be subject 'immediate review' to incorporate in these approaches into the SCI. The Government has suggested the use of virtual exhibitions, digital consultations, video conferencing, social media and providing documents for inspection on a public website. Some of these are already being undertaken (such as video conferencing, and use of the Council's website). Even prior to the pandemic, officers were considering how to utilise different platforms to get information out, and to consult in a more effective way. Using social media would be new area, and it is seen as being more of a notification application- as it can become difficult to manage the responses received through these posts if there is no clear follow up.
- 6.10 But how should we engage with those who do not have access to the internet? The Government has suggested the following approach: by using representative groups/organisations, and allowing individuals to nominate an advocate to share their views on their behalf. This is an approach that we would be seeking to adopt. Many of the more distanced/isolated communities in Ryedale have poor internet connection. We would also promote the use of e-email delivery of responses, but still accept those made in writing. In time, we will seek to again place key documents on deposit at Ryedale House and the libraries. But this will be considered in a future review of the SCI, or undertaken if the regulations revert back to their original wording- whichever is the sooner.
- 6.11 It is proposed that large scale consultation meeting events would not be undertaken. In past experience they have generated considerable interest, but which was often provided on a one-off basis. In their place would more targeted and focused meetings with Statutory Consultees in their areas of responsibility and groups (such as Parish Councils and Town councils either with or without residents, interest groups, developers and their agents and Estates) will be undertaken instead. This, in Officer's experience, has been a more effective way to meaningfully discuss issues and seek resolutions prior to formal submissions.
- 6.12 Whilst this could be viewed as a temporary approach, Officers consider that the increased use of digital consultation is here to stay. There are positive practical resource implications, by reducing costs on printing and postage, reducing paper use, and reduce the need to travel to meetings. But more important than this, is that they can be undertaken with greater frequency, focus on specific issues, and be approached with more flexibility on their timing- to ultimately improve the ability to engage with stakeholders in a more direct and meaningful way- and to get better outcomes on consultation undertaken.
- 6.13 For planning applications, there is a temporary lifting of the requirement to provide hard copies of planning applications, and this will apply until December 2021. There is no further proposals to change consultations under the Planning Acts, and the section will be updated with the more recent regulations.
- 6.14 The SCI also makes signposting references to the GDPR and how we hold/treat personal data and how someone can check what information we hold, and have their details added/removed from our consultee list. Whilst we will hold responses made to any consultations to assist in future planning work, we only need to hold personal data for as long as the plan preparation stages require it, or unless the individual is happy for their details to be held for future planning policy work. If they do not wish to have the details held, we can retain their comments and name alone.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The following implications have been identified:

- a) Financial
The work is covered by existing budgetary provision.
- b) Legal
The SCI will need to be undertaken in accordance with existing statutory procedures.
- c) Other (Equalities, Staffing, Planning, Health & Safety, Environmental, Crime & Disorder)
Equalities considerations are considered through compliance with the Statement of Community Involvement. Staffing has been expanded to deliver this area of the plan review. The Call for Sites is an important early stage in reviewing planning policy and will also assist in our objectives around health and safety considerations. Environmental impacts and Climate Change considerations are an integral part of the site assessment process. There are no crime and disorder implications identified.

8.0 NEXT STEPS

8.1 Subject to Member agreement this Report, the SCI and consultation statement will be considered by Council. Upon approval by Council it will be published on the Council's Planning website and a link added to the planning policy consultations page. In future consultations we will make reference to this document.

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What is a Statement of Community Involvement?

The planning system affects everyone living and working within a community, and our wider natural environment. But it is not necessarily something that people directly engage with on a regular basis. This Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) explains why and how Ryedale District Council will involve people and organisations (stakeholders) in decisions about planning policy-making, and considering planning applications in Ryedale.

This SCI only covers the area of Ryedale District which is not part of the North York Moors National Park. The National Park has its own Planning Authority. It also does not cover minerals extraction and waste planning, for which the County Council are responsible.

Ryedale District Council are dedicated to making the planning process as clear and inclusive as possible, so that together we can use planning as a means to help better shape the environment of our district for now, and the future. Drawing from previous experiences, this updated SCI will set out what you can expect from us, and also sets out how and when you can participate in the planning process.

The planning system must respond to the challenges of delivering growth in a manner which also protects our communities and enhances the natural environment. Different stakeholders will often have competing arguments on what approach should be taken – particularly in relation to planning policy. In these instances, Members of the District Council will consider all the evidence, and all responses made, and apply balanced judgement to establish the best approach to meet Ryedale's needs. In making these decisions they will be guided by Officers of the Local Planning Authority who are employed by Ryedale District Council and who provide professional advice to Members.

The SCI sets out the Local Planning Authority's commitment to GPDR legislation in relation to planning consultations. It also contains information regarding temporary approaches to community involvement in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Which may change in response to Government guidance. We will publish any updates on the [SCI web page](#).

What do we mean by Community Involvement?

By 'involvement' we mean any interaction between our planning team and those with an interest in planning, which can occur in a number of different ways:

Participation – active involvement in identifying needs and priorities, such as workshops, focus groups to look at the matter concerned (by subject/topic or by place)

Consultation – consulting you on your views, such as through on-line consultation processes and surveys on the content of documents and the approach taken or options to consider. Planning application consultations are within this type of community involvement

Information/Notification – such as providing notices of events and publishing reports, providing information, and technical studies.

What about personal data?

We will only hold your personal contact details (address/email address) for as long as you allow us to. If, at any point, you no longer wish to be involved, please let us know at localplan@ryedale.gov.uk. Only your name and comments will need to be retained and published, without personal data, to ensure that we can demonstrate how we have engaged and responded to consultations we have undertaken.

Planning uses some technical terms and titles for documents we have to produce. We have created a glossary at the end of the document to help explain what these mean, and list the specific types of consultees we consult with.

To get in touch:

For information on planning policy, or to register to receive direct consultation please contact the Planning Policy Team:

localplan@ryedale.gov.uk

For general information on planning applications please contact Planning (Technical Support):

dm@ryedale.gov.uk or directly contact the Case Officer for a specific planning application

Consultation and Involvement in Making Planning Policy

There are different types of planning policy: Local Plans, Neighbourhood Plans and Supplementary Planning Documents are the main ones, and how we consult on each of them is different. We are starting to review our existing Local Plan: The Ryedale Plan. We are required to comply with both the requirements of the regulations which set out specific stages of consultation, and the consultation measures we set out in this document.

In the past we have undertaken large consultation events and placed key documents in our offices and libraries. Due to Covid-19:

- We cannot do face to face meetings or gatherings unless they are digital;
- We cannot place paper documents on deposit at RDC Council Offices or the libraries- unless government guidance allows us to in the future. You can view the documents online (please use a nominated representative if you do not have access to the internet to comment on your behalf). We will still accept paper responses, but electronic delivery is preferred; and
- We will not undertake large scale meetings online due to the difficulties in delivery of such meetings. We will hold smaller meetings online. This is likely to be with smaller groups, or using ‘umbrella organisations’ who represent different groups and interests.

We are committed to raising awareness of the planning system throughout our community. The Council recognises there are individuals and groups of people who, for a range of reasons, may not be able to access information, or be able to participate in more traditional planning consultation approaches. They may also want to raise their concerns or issues in an environment which they feel is more practical and comfortable for them. We describe these as ‘harder to reach groups’ within our community, and we need to ensure that involvement of these groups is appropriate, and will not operate a ‘one size fits all’ approach to community involvement.

Identifying harder to reach groups, and a key means of engaging with them, is primarily done via existing ‘umbrella groups’ and organisations – and this will continue to be a key means of engagement. These groups can participate directly or invite members to participate in the process to give harder to reach groups a voice, and overcome any communication barriers. Before this SCI is adopted for use, we will prepare an initial Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA) which will set out how we will ensure that we undertake our work in planning in an inclusive, fair and equitable way, and this will form a framework for all our future planning policy work.

With this in mind, we will seek to maximise use of the website, to provide up to date information about our work in planning in Ryedale. The use of digital meetings will also provide a more inclusive and accessible approach to engaging with those members

of community. But if access to the internet is not possible, we can provide paper documents (for a charge), allow the use of nominated persons and allow paper responses to be provided.

We hold a comprehensive list of groups and organisations, which we aim to keep as up to date as possible and ensure it provides a full reflection of the community of Ryedale. We will automatically contact this list of groups/individuals when different policy documents are being produced. If you, or your organisation, wish to be included on our list of contacts, please get in touch with us, and it would be helpful if you could identify any specific interest or types of issues you want to be consulted on.

Consultation on the Local Plan Review

The Local Plan is also known as the Development Plan for assessing planning applications. In Ryedale is called the Ryedale Plan and is made up of a series of documents including Ryedale Plan– Local Plan Strategy, Ryedale Plan- Local Plan Sites Document and the Helmsley Plan. We have to review a plan every 5 years, and this is what we are starting to do. The extent of that review can vary but the same process applies. The table below sets out the main stages in producing the Ryedale Plan- Local Plan review. There are some technical names for some of our stakeholders please see the glossary for more information.

Stage and Stage in Regulations	What would we be consulting upon	Who would we consult with	How would we consult	What would happen to the findings of the consultation	Outcome or next steps
<p>Stage 1 Preparation and evidence collection (Regulation 18)</p> <p>There are many smaller forms of consultation undertaken</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for sites- where we ask for land to be submitted for consideration • The scope/content of the document, such as in relation to asking for views on specific approaches/options • We will do targeted consultation on key strategic decisions- a series of smaller targeted groups will be involved on these strategic themes such as, for example, housing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutory consultees (including Parish and Town Councils) • Duty to Co-operate Bodies • General national interest bodies • Umbrella organisations who represent groups who may be hard to reach in planning work • Local interest groups • Local businesses • Developers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By letter/email advertising that that a consultation is taking place • Publishing a single calls for sites – using a questionnaire • Using social media to notify any consultations being undertaken • Using press releases where they are appropriate • Publishing technical evidence online for information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We would incorporate any technical advice/ resources into our data evaluation. • We collate the findings and respond to those comments. This may result in more consultation. • The outcome would be to outline options and choices, and eventually define 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At this stage there is an on-going process of obtaining evidence and views and assess options and choices and the assessment of this against national planning policy. • The findings of the evidence base collection and consultation with stakeholders will inform the chosen approach

Stage and Stage in Regulations	What would we be consulting upon	Who would we consult with	How would we consult	What would happen to the findings of the consultation	Outcome or next steps
	<p>delivery, biodiversity, flood risk and responding to climate change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will consult on the site assessment process and the consideration of sites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landowners/estates • Interested persons of the wider community (or their representative) where appropriate to the document 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publishing maps/ and documents to comment upon • Focus groups and meetings (online) Seeking views and response on specific matters in relation to their specific areas of responsibility/interest. This could be about an area/theme/issue or a place or group of places • Once we have chosen option sites for potential allocation we will publicise these by site notice. 	<p>and refine those choices to a draft plan policies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All consultation would be recorded in our Regulation 18 Statement of Consultation. 	<p>and therefore the policies of the plan and eventually result in the draft plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will present information and findings of consultation with Members. • This will eventually lead to formal consultations on policy decisions to be considered by committee and agreed by Council.

Stage and Stage in Regulations	What would we be consulting upon	Who would we consult with	How would we consult	What would happen to the findings of the consultation	Outcome or next steps
<p>Stage 2 Publish the proposed draft Plan (Publication) Regulation 19</p> <p>This is the Plan we propose to submit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking into account feedback the consultation and engagement, and evidence gathering to make decisions from community involvement activities during stage 1, the Council will finalise and publish the draft of the Local Plan (Review) • We publish the Consultation Statement (Regulation 18) which will set out the stages of consultation in the plan's production • Any technical reports will be available to view 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council will formally consult those specific, general and other consultation bodies invited to make representations at the earlier stage. • Anyone who has expressed an interest in the review of the plan will be invited to make their comments • There is a form to complete which asks specific questions- this is not compulsory to complete 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By letter/email • The Council will make the Local Plan (Review) and supporting documents specific to the regulations available on the Council's website • To explain the approach of the draft plan online meetings will be held. • We will place site notices up at the sites which are proposed as allocations • We will seek comments for a minimum period of six weeks. • We would invite you to let us know if you wish to participate in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each response is catalogued and the Council makes a specific response to it. These will be recorded under Regulation 20 Statement of Consultation • As part of this process we will set out what, if any, further changes we intend to make and undertake any necessary specific consultations as part of this work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members will consider all the responses made to the consultation • The draft Plan will be taken through our committee schedule then go to Full Council to be agreed by Councillors (Members) to be submitted to the Secretary of State for examination.

Stage and Stage in Regulations	What would we be consulting upon	Who would we consult with	How would we consult	What would happen to the findings of the consultation	Outcome or next steps
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A document on the discounted sites and there reasons why there were not taken forward would be consulted upon 		the Hearing Sessions as part of the Examination		
Stage 3 Submission of Local Plan for Independent Examination Regulation 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The plan along with all the supporting information and the full representations received, are submitted to the Secretary of State for independent and public examination by a Planning Inspector. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will send notification to all those who expressed an interest to be notified, and anyone who made representations at the Publication Stage • We will also notify general consultation bodies and each of the specific consultation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a notification only stage • By letter/email • The Council will make the Local Plan Review Document and supporting documents specific to the regulations available on the Council's website • An examination website is set up with the examination library and information is posted about the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a notification stage for submission and information about the Examination process. • A Programme Officer is appointed to act as an intermediary between the Inspector, the Council, and representors • If you wish to participate in the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following the process of examination and any subsequent Main Modifications consultation the inspector will produce a report. • We will publish that report online and make parties who responded to the publication consultation aware of this.

Stage and Stage in Regulations	What would we be consulting upon	Who would we consult with	How would we consult	What would happen to the findings of the consultation	Outcome or next steps
After the hearings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the Examination we may consult on what are known as Main Modifications - changes to the Plan 	<p>bodies which were invited to make representations under regulation 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We would consult with all those consulted at publication 	<p>Inspector appointed and timing/location of the hearing sessions at least 6 weeks before the hearing sessions are due to start</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We would prepare a consultation document on the Main Modifications and undertake any SA/SEA/HRA 	<p>Examination hearings you would have let the Council know at Publication stage and be contacted by the Programme Officer</p>	
Stage 4 Adoption of the Local Plan	<p>Provided the Inspector considers the Local Plan meets Government policy and legal requirements, approval will be sought from Full Council to adopt the Local Plan (review) as part of the</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The adoption statement will be sent to the Secretary of State and any person who requested to be notified. • We also will prepare a Summary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a notification stage by letter/email this will provide the adoption statement and right of challenge • Following adoption of the Plan the Council will ensure the Plan Review 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Plan Review will then be in operation as part of the Development Plan and have full weight alongside those saved policies/ allocations within the Ryedale Plan

Stage and Stage in Regulations	What would we be consulting upon	Who would we consult with	How would we consult	What would happen to the findings of the consultation	Outcome or next steps
	Council's Development Plan.	Sustainability appraisal/SEA	Document, adoption statement and key supporting documents and the inspectors report are available to view on the Council's website		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will contact everyone on our consultation list to ask if they want to remain on the list for future planning consultations

Neighbourhood Plans

Neighbourhood Plans allow communities to establish planning policies for the development of land, and protection of some areas, in the designated community area. Once adopted, a Neighbourhood Plan forms part the 'Development Plan'- and would be used to assess planning applications in the area it covers. Neighbourhood planning is led by the 'Relevant Body'. So far, in Ryedale District this has been Town and Parish Councils. But it can be led by community action groups. They are able to initiate the process, and set how and when, and what the level of community involvement there will be regarding the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan, or Order, subject to being in accordance with the relevant legislation.

The Council's role in neighbourhood planning will be to ensure all statutory requirements are met, and will give advice and assistance to communities creating a neighbourhood plan. Some of the main task to be undertaken are:

- Meet the relevant neighbourhood plan body as soon as possible;
- Explain the different stages involved with a Neighbourhood Plan or Order;
- Direct the relevant body towards information relevant to the Neighbourhood Plan or Order;
- Where possible, share any data already held which may inform the evidence base (such as mapping information);
- Highlight potential issues around compliance with the Local Plan and national policy;
- Support the relevant body as they undertake any necessary SA/SEA or HRA assessments;
- Provide feedback in the form of written comments on draft Neighbourhood Plans or Orders;
- When a Plan or Order is submitted, assess the document's compliance with statutory requirements;
- Publish on the Council's website the prescribed documents and provide details of how to make representations for a minimum 6 week period;
- Assist with the appointment of the Neighbourhood Plan Examiner;
- Prepare a 'decision statement' on the outcome of the examination of the Neighbourhood Plan and what the Local Planning Authority intends to do;
- Make the necessary arrangements for the referendum and (if approved) for bringing into force the plan by taking it through the Council's committee procedures; and
- Publish the Neighbourhood Plan on our website and publicise by way of press notice (at present we are unable use any deposit locations due to Covid-19). We send a Decision Statement to the 'qualifying body' and anyone who sought notification of the decision.

Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)

Outside of the ‘Development Plan’ there are a number of Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) that add further detail to the implementation of the policies in the Local Plan. SPD are described as a ‘material planning consideration’ when making decisions on planning applications. They do not make planning policy, but they can be used to provide additional guidance, for example: for new development sites (development brief), or information on particular topics – such as affordable housing, and can be place-specific (Village Design Statements). The main stages in producing SPDs are shown below:

Stage and Stage in Regulations	What would we be consulting upon	Who would we consult with	How would we consult	What would happen to the findings of the consultation	Outcome or next steps
Stage 1 Preparing a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The initial stages involve collecting evidence and ideas and considering alternative approaches to the specific area of the SPD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will consult with individuals and bodies who are directly relevant to the successful implementation of SPD and who have specific knowledge and experience about the subject matter of the SDP We may consult more widely, for example, with a Parish and town Council (and Local community) if the SPD is geographically-specific 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The type of consultation undertaken is dependent on what is the nature of the SPD The following methods would be applied: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial Correspondence by letter/email Meetings Potential Focus groups (online) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Consultation Statement (Regulation 12) would set out how the discussions and responses had informed the development of the draft document and its approach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a draft of the Supplementary Planning Document for Members of the Council to agree to be subject to public consultation

Stage and Stage in Regulations	What would we be consulting upon	Who would we consult with	How would we consult	What would happen to the findings of the consultation	Outcome or next steps
Stage 2 Publishing the draft Supplementary Planning Document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The content of the draft Supplementary Planning Document 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory and general consultees Those individuals invited to develop the SPD Any person who wishes to be notified of the SPD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter/email inviting comments to be made on the content of the draft SPD within 4 weeks minimum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A further Consultation Statement (Regulation 12b) is prepared to set out how the comments received have been responded to either within the SPD or the Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The draft SPD will be amended as needed and be submitted for approval by Members of the Council through the Council's committee system
Stage 3 Adoption of the Supplementary Planning Document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a notification stage of the Council's decision to adopt the SPD for use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anyone who made comments on the draft SPD document at stages 1 and 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notification that the SPD was adopted A copy of the Adoption Statement must be sent to any person who wishes to be notified of the adoption 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notification only- it sets out the ability to legally challenge the document 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The document will then be used in considering planning applications

As well as the consultations described above, we do specific consultation:

- Invite comments on what should the Statement of Community Involvement should contain (this is a separate statement to the document).
- Duty to Co-Operate – leading to a Statement of Common Ground in relation to the Duty to Co-Operate bodies.
- We also consult on the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA) with those government bodies prescribed to assesses these documents at the relevant stages in the process.

We also publish for information on:

- **Local Development Scheme** – which is a timetable for the stages of the preparation of planning policy; and
- **Authority Monitoring Reports**- which monitor through planning applications how the policies in the plan have influenced development, set out progress on our planning policy work in accordance with the Local Development Scheme, any Duty to Co-Operate consultations and details of Community Infrastructure Spending.

Consultation for Planning Applications

There are several different types of planning applications that require different levels of community engagement from both ourselves as the Local Planning Authority and applicants. This section of the SCI sets out how the Council and applicants submitting development schemes should engage with the community throughout the planning application process.

We strongly encourage applicants with larger, more significant proposals, to discuss* these with the local community; appropriate statutory and non-statutory consultees; and the relevant Town or Parish Council at an early stage. They should do this well before making the planning application so they can demonstrate how the approach to the development has responded to any findings from the consultation.

*In the current situation this will be by digital/postal means only, in response to Covid-19 measures, but can be extended to more traditional open meetings when government guidance permits this. We would expect the nature of consultation format to have been agreed with the community (or a representative i.e. Town or Parish Council) prior to its initiation.

With householder applications, we encourage that you discuss your proposals with your neighbours prior to making an application.

When planning applications are received by the Council, we first check to ensure that all the necessary information has been provided, as set out in the document 'Ryedale District Council Local List'. Larger and more complex applications tend to require more supporting information.

Type of Development	What applicants need to do	What we will do
<p>MAJOR</p> <p>Residential development of 10 or more dwellings (or if no number is given a site of more than 0.5 ha)</p> <p>Non-residential development with floor space of 1,000 square</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involve the community with appropriate methods. E.g. public meeting/exhibitions (see * above), workshops and consultation websites. The planning application should provide a statement setting out how the community was involved in the application, the findings of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide pre-application advice on request. There is a charge for this. Meetings may be held (remotely in accordance with Government Guidance) to discuss the application if it is considered the proposal is of significance to the District. If evidence documents are provided, we will consult with relevant consultees to obtain their initial views of the evidence/and or the proposal to inform our response. The pre-application service is treated confidentially.

Type of Development	What applicants need to do	What we will do
metres (or a site of more than 1 ha directly involved in development)	<p>that consultation, and any amendments that have been made as a result of the consultation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set out how the proposal seeks to comply with both local planning policy and National Planning Policy and National Planning Guidance. • The applicant should consider seeking advice through pre-application enquiry with the Council, and where relevant to the proposal, or the site, contact statutory and non-statutory consultees about their proposal. • Comply with our Local List on submitting evidence to support planning applications. This can then be considered by relevant Statutory Consultees, and interested Stakeholders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publish the application and its documents on our website so that they can be viewed. We do not have paper copies of the application available to view at the District Council. • Post site notice(s) close to the proposed development site whilst being publically accessible. This may involve more than one notice per site, and more than one type of notice depending on the application. • Advertise in the local press by a notice. • Consult statutory consultees and where relevant to the type of application, non-statutory consultees by electronic means only. • Neighbouring properties (buildings) directly adjacent to development (or the curtilage) will be contacted by letter. We will not contact adjacent landowners, we will also not contact the nearest properties if they are not immediately adjacent. • Meetings may be held (remotely in accordance with Government Guidance) to discuss the application if it is considered necessary to advance/help the consideration of the application.

Type of Development	What applicants need to do	What we will do
<p>MINOR</p> <p>Smaller scale development than major schemes and outside the definition of householder or change of use application</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants can consider using methods of community involvement appropriate to the scale and nature of proposed development. We would support this approach. • Applicants would then provide a statement describing the actions taken to involve members of the community in the application. • Set out how the proposal seeks to comply with both local planning policy and National Planning Policy and National Planning Guidance. • Consider seeking advice through pre-application with the Council and appropriate statutory and non-statutory consultees. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide pre-application advice on request. There is a charge for this. For applications of this nature we will not hold meetings. If evidence documents are provided, we will consult with relevant consultees to obtain their initial views of the evidence/and or the proposal to inform our response. The pre-application service is treated confidentially. • Publish the application documents on our website. We do not have paper copies of the application available to view at the District Council. • Post site notice(s) close to the proposed development site whilst being publically accessible. This may involve more than one notice per site, and more than one type of notice depending on the application.
<p>OTHER</p> <p>Includes categories:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a good idea to speak with your neighbours before applying for planning permission- by showing them your plans and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertise in the local press if the application: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Is for a listed building ○ Is in a conservation area

Type of Development	What applicants need to do	What we will do
<p>Change of use not including building or engineering work. And Householder; planning permission sought within the curtilage of a dwelling.</p>	<p>giving them the opportunity to speak about any issues they have. You may have to give them notice if your proposal (such as the guttering) overhangs onto the adjoining/adjacent property- and you would need to complete the correct certificate on the application form.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set out how the proposal seeks to comply with both local planning policy and National Planning Policy and National Planning Guidance. • Consider seeking advice through a pre-application enquiry with the Council – we will advise you whether your proposal may need specialist input. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Affects the setting of a listed building/conservation area • Consult statutory and non-statutory consultees as relevant by electronic means only. • Neighbouring properties (buildings) directly adjacent to development (or curtilage) will be contacted by letter. We will not contact adjacent landowners, we will also not contact the nearest properties if they are not immediately adjacent.

Having your say on planning applications

There is a consultation period of 21 days following the last form of communication (which is usually publication in the local newspaper or the site notice going up). We cannot make a decision on an application before this time period has ended. The consultation period is extended to 30 days if the application is a type of application that is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).

Anyone can make comments on the application during that time. Comments should be accompanied with details of the planning application reference, and a personal postal address so that representations can properly be logged to the scheme. If you making a comment on behalf of someone, please identify their address so we can understand where they are living in relation to the proposed application. All comments are placed on our website and can be viewed publically. All comments are summarised and discussed in the Planning Officer's report. We will not reply back individually to comments received about applications. But matters raised can only

be taken into account when making our decision if they are made on valid planning grounds (also known as “material planning considerations”). A list of common material considerations is available on the national Planning Portal website.

We do not accept responsibility for, and cannot take into account, comments that fail to reach us in time because they have been delayed or lost in the postal system. For these reasons, the best way to add your comments is to submit them via our website before the consultation period finishes. We may consider comments that are received after the consultation period has ended, particularly if we are made aware of any reasonable delay (such as Parish/Town Council meeting schedules). But we can determine the application after this period, if the Local Planning Authority is satisfied that we have the information to make a decision on the application. If we do not have sufficient information, and no further information is provided by the applicant, we may therefore refuse the application.

It is important to remember that when submitting comments, you will be legally responsible for their content. You must not submit any comments which are offensive, for example, if they are racist, sexist, homophobic or defamatory, or discriminatory in any way, or which might give rise to legal proceedings against you. We may decline to publish your response under these circumstances- and we will let you know if this is the case and why.

The Council produces weekly lists of the planning applications it has registered as being valid (can be considered) and those it has determined (decided). Searches can also be done by property address and by area. If you register on our public access website you can set the system to notify you of applications in a given area by an email alert. You can contact the planning department if you need help to do this.

Consultee comments on planning applications

Planning legislation and guidance specifies that various organisations must be consulted when a Local Planning Authority is considering applications; these are known as statutory consultees. We always consult the relevant Town or Parish Council, but the other statutory consultees will be different depending on the type/nature of application and what is proposed. For example, with a Listed Building Consent application for works to a Grade 1 listed building, Historic England must be consulted. Internal professional advice may also be sought from our own Officers within the Council or those at the County Council who have expertise in: construction, conservation/ heritage, design, trees, landscape design, biodiversity, open space delivery, noise, pollution, licensing, drainage/flood risk, transport, and legal matters. Comments received from statutory consultees and internal consultations are also available to view via our website.

Amendments to Applications

It is very common for submitted applications to be altered during the process of the application's consideration. These changes usually come about through negotiation between the applicant and the Case Officer, and is often following receipt of comments from consultees, or local residents, which have raised issues which need addressing. We may re-consult for 14 days in more straightforward applications, or 21 days when amended details are received which cover a lot of changes. Sometimes, when the matter concerns very technical information on a specific issue, we will only re-consult specific statutory consultees.

If an application is formally withdrawn, which is at the request of the applicant, all parties who were consulted will be notified of this.

Making the Decision

The Case Officer prepares a report setting out the assessment of the planning application, and assesses whether the application meets with our planning policies, but they do not determine the application's outcome. Members of the Planning Committee make decisions on a small range of planning applications, include all major applications. Members have given delegated powers to the Head of Planning to make decisions on a wide range of applications.

Planning Committee and Public Speaking

Where an application is to be determined by the Planning Committee, members of the public can request to speak at the committee meeting. This is limited to one person speaking in favour of the application, and one person against. Others allowed to speak are the applicant or their agent, and a member of the Town/Parish Council. The speakers are each allowed up to three minutes. District Councillors may also speak. Details of how to request to speak at a Planning Committee meeting, and the associated rules, can be found on our planning website.

After the Decision is Reached

We notify the applicant of our decision either directly, or through their agent. A copy of the decision notice is placed on our website along with a copy of the Officer's report. All material considered through the course of the application remains on the website. We write to notify any consultees or any person who responded to the application of the outcome of the application.

Appeals

Only applicants have the right of appeal; there are no third party rights of appeal. The appeal process is managed by the independent Planning Inspectorate. Details of all appeal rules and procedures can be found by visiting the national Planning Portal website.

Is it working?

We aim to make our consultations easy to understand and participate in, and to carry them out in a fair and open way. The Statement of Community Involvement now recognises that a great deal of communication necessarily occurs by electronic means, but we understand that not everyone can access digital information- and so provide a means for those in this situation to still be able to get involved.

We intend to continue improving our consultation practices. We will revise the SCI again if our monitoring shows that we could improve our approach to consultation, or if the government requires us to change the way in which consultation takes place.

We will review feedback obtained through planning consultations to check whether our methods are working effectively. We will do this when consultation statements are prepared as part of plan making, and will be also be reviewed annually in the Council's Authority Monitoring Report.

As a minimum, the Statement of Community Involvement will be reviewed every five years.

This edition of the SCI also takes into account recent changes to legislation and national guidance relevant to consultation. It meets legal requirements set out in:

Plan-making: Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, Section 18;

Town and Country Planning (Local Development) England Regulations 2012;

Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012;

Planning applications: Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015;

The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning, Development Management Procedure, Listed Buildings etc.) (England) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020; and

The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure, Listed Buildings and Environmental Impact Assessment) (England) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020.

GLOSSARY

Adoption: In planning policy this is where the Council has agreed to use a document in any decisions it makes on planning matters.

Adoption Statement: A formal notification of the adoption of a policy document. It sets out prescribed pieces of information about the document and what the period for legal challenge is.

Authority Monitoring Report: A report produced each year by local authorities, which assesses progress with, and the effectiveness of, its plan-making documents.

Conservation Area: An area of special architectural or historical interest, the character of which is considered worthy of preservation or enhancement.

Consultation Statement: A summary of the main issues raised by the consultation and how the Council respond to the issues raised

Curtilage: the land immediately surrounding a dwelling, including any closely associated buildings and structures.

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA): An analytical process that systematically examines the possible environmental consequences.

Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA): An assessment of how a consultation/policy/project has been undertaken in a way which ensures it gives an equal opportunity to be involved, and to assess how an approach does not discriminate/undermine parts of the community of Ryedale. It is done at different stages in the Plan-making process.

GPDR: Stands for General Data Protection Regulation. It sets out legally how organisations can store and use personal data in relation data protection and data privacy.

Infrastructure: Facilities that are needed for the operation of a society. The Community Infrastructure Levy regulations cover particular types of facility including roads and schools.

Deposit Location: Locations across the district where consultation documents can be viewed. This means the main council offices at Malton and libraries within the District.

Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA): A series of specific stages where plans/sites are assessed in relation to their impacts on internationally important biodiversity sites.

Listed Building: A building is listed when it is of special architectural or historic interest considered to be of national importance and therefore worth protecting. A listed building is added to the National Heritage List for England.

Local Development Scheme (LDS): This public statement sets out the programme for the preparation of the Local Plan and Local Development Documents.

Local Enterprise Partnership: A body, designated by the Secretary of State, established for the purpose of creating or improving the conditions for economic growth in an area.

Local Nature Partnership: help their local area to manage the natural environment as a system and to embed its value in local decisions for the benefit of nature, people and the economy.

Local Plan: May consist of a single document or a set of documents such as a Core Strategy, Site Allocations, Development Management Policies and Area Action Plans. These are formal plans for a geographical area which are key points of reference when deciding planning applications.

Local Strategic Partnership: Bring together representatives from the local statutory, voluntary, community and private sectors to address local problems, allocate funding and discuss strategies and initiatives.

Material Planning Consideration: A factor which can be taken into account when considering a planning application which may result in a decision which is different to the approach of the Development Plan

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF): Sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied.

Neighbourhood Plan: Prepared by local communities, these set out policies and proposals for the future development of a neighbourhood but they must conform to the strategic policies of the Local Plan.

Pre-Application Advice: Officers of the Local Planning Authority give a non-binding view on the proposal, by providing policy advice, set out what evidence should be submitted if/when an application is made, and where possible an indication of whether or not planning permission may be granted.

Programme Officer: Person appointed to assist with all administrative matters related to Examinations of Local Plan documents.

Qualifying Body: The group or organisation(s) responsible for the development of the Neighbourhood Plan

Representation: A formal statement submitted by a consultee at the publication stage of a development plan document- referred to as comments in this SCI.

Stakeholder: A person or organisation who has a specific interest, this interest could be wide-ranging and could be focused on a location or an area, an issue (such as flooding, access,) or the proposed use of the land, and what this could mean for them.

Supplementary Planning Document (SPD): These documents, including issue-based documents, design guidance and masterplans, provide more detail to how policies in the Local Plan should be used.

Sustainability Appraisal SA including Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA): A systematic and iterative appraisal process, incorporating the requirements of the Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive. Its purpose is to appraise the social, environmental and economic effects of the strategies and policies in a local development document from the outset of the preparation process. This will ensure that decisions are made that accord with sustainable development.

Types of Consultees

Specific Consultation Bodies

Local Planning Authorities (both adjacent* and within the North Yorkshire County Area- including the National Park)

Relevant Authorities:

North Yorkshire County Council

North York Moors National Park

East Riding of Yorkshire Council

Hambleton District Council

City of York Council

Scarborough Borough Council

- North Yorkshire County Council (also in its capacity as the Local Highway Authority)*
- The Local Enterprise Partnership*
- The Environment Agency*
- Historic England*
- Highways England*
- Natural England*
- The Office of Rail Regulation*
- North Yorkshire Clinical Commissioning Group*
- The Civil Aviation Authority*
- The Marine Management Organisation*
- Homes England; *
- Local Nature Partnership*
- Town and Parish Councils within and adjoining the District
- The Coal Authority
- Network Rail Infrastructure Limited
- Local Highway Authority (NYCC) (and Public Rights of Way)
- Local Education Authority (NYCC)
- Howardian Hills AONB Management
- Relevant Telecommunications companies
- Utility companies
- Sewage and Water undertakers- such as Yorkshire Water
- Sport England

These will all be consulted within the making of planning policy and will be consulted where relevant in planning applications.

Bodies with a * are Duty to Co-Operate Bodies. Ryedale District Council is required to work with neighbouring authorities and other public bodies involved in planning when it comes to tackling issues at a larger than local scale. The bodies that we are bound to work together with by the duty include:

Statutory Consultees – General Bodies

- Voluntary bodies, some or all of whose activities benefits any part of the area
- Bodies which represent the interest of:
 - different ethnic or nationality (including BAME) groups in the area
 - different religious groups in the area
 - young people in the area
 - older people in the area
 - disabled people in the area; and
 - Bodies representing Persons carrying on businesses in the area- such as National Farmer's Union

Other consultation bodies and organisations (this list is not exhaustive and is to give a general representation)

- North Yorkshire Police- Police Architectural Liaison Officer
- Environmental groups (e.g. CPRENY- The Countryside Charity)
- Organisations representing the gypsy and traveller and travelling Showpeople communities
- Yorkshire Wildlife Trust
- Internal Drainage Boards
- Forestry Commission
- Fire and rescue services
- Health and Safety Executive
- Groups representing users, and the providers, of leisure, sport and recreation
- Local Health, education, social service and community based service providers
- Civic societies, cultural, historical and archaeological groups or bodies
- Citizens' / district / tenants panels
- Associations of local residents and communities
- Registered social landlords
- House builders and developers – including the Home Builders Federation
- Landowners, land agents, including landed estates
- Public transport users and providers

- Groups presenting young families
- Bodies representing LGBTQ+ communities
- The local strategic partnership

The Wider Community

Members of the public who would like to be notified about planning consultations and the progress of documents can add their details to the Council's database of consultees. These people are alerted by email or letter when opportunities arise to make representation on proposed planning documents. The list is not fixed, anyone can ask for their details to be added by emailing localplan@ryedale.gov.uk. Those who no longer wish to be involved can let us know, and be removed from the list. If necessary, you can ask for a nominated individual to make an electronic representation your behalf- during the pandemic- as we are unable to place documents on deposit. We will still accept paper responses.

Statement of consultation for Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

Consultation February 2021

Respondent	Comments made	Response and Proposed Actions
T. M. Barker and Son	No comments.	Noted
Mr Mark Roberts Designing Out Crime Officer North Yorkshire Police	A request for Pre-application advice to include consultation with Police DOC for bigger developments (aimed at the applicant).	The section in the SCI outlines the steps that applicants should take in relation consulting with statutory consultees. It is not considered necessary given the general approach of the SCI to prescribe in detail when individual statutory consultees would be consulted.
Natural England (Jacqui Salt)	No specific comments but general advice on their website relating to consulting NE.	Noted. We will continue with established procedures.
Sheriff Hutton Parish	The Parish wish for improvement to the quality of the planning application documents submissions. Some applications have been very poor quality making assessment of the scheme difficult.	We note the concerns and will consult with the IT department to see how we can make plans more legible in terms of their resolution. This is however, a technical software issue. If Parish Councils have any queries about the plans they can contact the Case Officer who will take them through the plans.
George Winn-Darley	Request for additional information regarding call for sites.	Noted. We will provide more information on this matter in due course.
Highways England	Welcoming consultation but no comments.	Noted and welcomed
Mr Clarke	Suggestions: A cycle route from Stamford Bridge to Malton, connecting with one from Stamford Bridge to Howden, could benefit cycling. A major park development, possibly including a caravan park - opposite the Council Offices - with a cycle path connecting Old Malton to the bottom of Castlegate, a riverside/park path the river crossing. Possibly an extra foot/cycle bridge near the location of the old railway line to Norton, giving access from Norton to the park and Council offices. Extra footbridge is difficult with	Noted. The scope of the consultation was concerning the content of the SCI, rather than the development of policy approaches/choices or allocations at this stage in the process.

Respondent	Comments made	Response and Proposed Actions
CPRE North Yorkshire the Countryside Charity	<p>rail and river to cross, see example at Mexborough to Old Denaby.</p> <p>The Charity remarked on the outdated nature of current SCI.</p> <p>As a result of the pandemic the new SCI should reflect moving into more online functions and retaining these/overcoming barriers.</p> <p>The council should also seek to involve hard to reach groups and fulfil statutory obligations under the Equality Act. CPRENY will comment further on the produced draft SCI.</p>	<p>The newly drafted SCI has been factually updated in relation to: document titles, timescales and regulatory procedures, as well as the use of digital technologies, and the different bodies and organisations with any updates to titles.</p> <p>The document has also been simplified to make it more direct in its messages.</p> <p>The Local Planning Authority, as part of the commencement of the review of the Plan will be preparing and Initial Equalities Impact Assessment to continue to identify and improve engagement with harder to reach groups prior to any formal consultation, and ensure that we are providing equal opportunity to engage in the planning process.</p> <p>There is no proposal to re-consult on a draft of the SCI. But we will review the SCI's operation in our forthcoming Authority Monitoring Reports.</p>
Persimmon Homes	<p>The Council should recognise functionality in newly formed online function of consultations following the COVID 19 outbreak as to allow flexibility and continuation of service. These new methods should remain in place after the national restrictions end.</p> <p>The expectations for pre-application consultation detailed should also provide further and more explicit guidance on the approach that the Council would deem to be appropriate for major applications in the current environment. It should make clear what the expectations are for pre-application consultation while temporary</p>	<p>Officers will continue to take into account newly utilised digital methods for consultations as a result of the pandemic and beyond. All consultation methods will be reviewed as the situation progresses to ensure the most effective/safe methods are in operation. It is expected that, when Covid -19 measures are no longer in operation, both newer forms of engagement will sit alongside the statutorily required consultation measures (such as placing documents on deposit).</p> <p>The SCI has a section on consultation before making an application and sets out in proportionate detail how consultation on major applications can be conducted, and what the Local Planning Authority would expect both in light of</p>

Respondent	Comments made	Response and Proposed Actions
	restrictions relating to COVID-19 are in place, as well as the requirements that will apply once there are no longer any restrictions in place.	Covid, and how the local community would best like to be engaged (by asking the Parish Council). Also, that such engagement should inform the development of the application- rather than be undertaken just prior to the submission of the application.
York Consortium Drainage Board	No comments but wish to remain involved in development schemes.	Noted and welcomed
English Heritage	No comments to make on this occasion	Noted
North Yorkshire County Council Planning	<p>No specific comments but recognise the current SCI is outdated. The updated revision should reflect current Regulations and best practice.</p> <p>Welcome the opportunity to review the document should this be available.</p> <p>We welcome the opportunity to work with the Council to help develop the Local Plan though duty to cooperate discussions and engage and comment at formal stages of the Plan as it progresses.</p>	<p>Noted and welcomed. We have updated the document to reflect current regulations and best practice.</p> <p>It is not proposed for the document to be re-consulted on, but we will review the SCI's operation in our forthcoming Authority Monitoring Reports.</p>
Harome Council	The Parish are not able to make comment within the deadline as limited opportunity to circulate due to IT constraints. We can provide a response on the 3 March 2021	<p>Officers appreciate that the consultation period is limited and getting materials to those without email access is a challenge. However this consultation is for the SCI alone and there will be further opportunity to comment on the development of the local plan later this year.</p> <p>We responded directly back to the Parish to inform them that we would report to Members (verbally in summary) Harome Parish Council's response when it is available, at the committee Meeting.</p>

Respondent	Comments made	Response and Proposed Actions
Yorkshire Wildlife Trust	No comments on the SCI but updated contact provided and welcome further Planning policy consultations	Noted and welcomed.
North Yorkshire Local Access Forum	Want to be consulted on all matters relating to 'access'. It's hoped that access and routes for non-motorised users will feature much more prominently in all local and regional plans and planning applications.	There are no plans to change the procedural consultation processes concerning planning applications, and as a Statutory Consultee in relation to PROWs you would be notified. As the plan is developed we will consult with the LAF in relation to strategic approaches concerning accessibility/Green Infrastructure and inviting comments on specific sites in due course.
Homes England	No comments but look forward to continuing to engage.	Noted
Fitzwilliam Estate Malton	No specific comments in relation to the SCI contents, but welcome inclusion of local estates to list of groups involved in plan preparation	Noted- the landed estates feature on the list of general consultees.
Amotherby Parish Council	Very happy with the plans in place	Noted. There are no proposals to change consultation procedures in relation to the planning applications. The plan making process seeks greater emphasis on digital engagement in order to have meetings, rather than face to face meetings.

A number of responses received have not been included in the table because they:

Provided factual updates to contact details;

Seeking to be removed from our contact list; and

Expressed an interest in submitting sites.

These matters do not have a bearing on the content and approach of the Statement of Community Involvement, although we appreciate the responses as it helps to ensure our contact lists are up to date.



PART B:	RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL
REPORT TO:	FULL COUNCIL
DATE:	15 APRIL 2021
REPORT OF THE:	HEAD OF COMMUNICATIONS, TECHNOLOGIES & BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION LOUISE WOOD
TITLE OF REPORT:	LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION – CONSULTATION RESPONSE
WARDS AFFECTED:	ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek a decision from Council on whether/how it wishes to respond to the Secretary of State's Consultation on Local Government Review proposals.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 It is recommended that:

- (i) Council notes that the Secretary of State has invited a response from Ryedale District Council on the proposals it has received for local government reorganisation in the North Yorkshire area.
- (ii) Council decides whether to:
 - a) Respond to the consultation questions in relation to the North Yorkshire County Council proposal, and/or
 - b) Respond to the consultation questions in relation to the East & West proposal
 - c) Respond to neither as a Council (this would not prevent individual Elected Members, or political groups, responding in their own right)
- (iii) If Council decides to put forward a consultation response to one or both of the proposals as a Council, that it determines the content of that response a timely way, in order that the response may be submitted by the consultation deadline of 19 April 2021.

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 3.1 The Secretary of State has formally invited Ryedale District Council to respond to his consultation on the two proposed models of local government reorganisation for North Yorkshire.
- 3.2 Responding to the Secretary of State's consultation is not a requirement (it is an invitation, not an obligation). However the Council has received legal advice that Elected Members should make a decision formally on whether or not the Council will, or will not, make a consultation response as a Council.
- 3.3 The Secretary of State has allowed until 19 April 2021 for responses to the consultations, after which he will make his "minded-to" decision on how to proceed. Should Council wish to respond to the consultation as a Council, the response will need to be provided by this deadline.

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

- 4.1 If Council does not make a decision on whether or not to respond to the Secretary of State's consultation, there is a risk that this will be queried later by members of the public.
- 4.2 Should Council decide to provide a consultation response as a Council, it will need to determine the content of that response at the Council meeting on 15 April 2021. If it does not do so, there is a risk that a response that represents the democratically-decided view of the Full Council will not be able to be submitted by the Secretary of State's deadline of 19 April 2021.

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

- 5.1 On 9 October 2020, the Secretary of State invited the councils in North Yorkshire to submit proposals for unitary local government. The invitations were for proposals for a single tier of local government, and could be submitted by a council individually, or jointly with other councils receiving the invitation. The invitation required outline proposals to be submitted by 9 November 2020, and, if a full proposal had not been submitted by that date, it required that it be submitted as soon as practicable thereafter and no later than 9 December 2020.
- 5.2 At an Extraordinary Meeting of Council on 4 November, in response to the Secretary of State's invitation, this Council resolved to submit the Case for Change by 9 November. The Case for Change was an outline proposal to create a two unitary model of local government reorganisation on East & West lines. Council also resolved that the Chief Executive be authorised to finalize the Case for Change, and submit the final proposal to MHCLG to comply with the deadline of 9 December 2021.
- 5.3 At the Extraordinary Meeting, Council members were advised that North Yorkshire County Council had prepared a proposal to merge the county council with the seven district and borough councils, with City of York Council remaining as a separate unitary council.

- 5.4 Before implementing a proposal for reorganisation, the Secretary of State is required to consult any local authority that is affected by the proposal (but which has not submitted it), and any such other persons as he considers appropriate. A copy of the full list of consultees which the Secretary of State has contacted is available at Appendix C.
- 5.5 On 23 February 2021, members were advised by the Chief Executive Officer that the Secretary of State was commencing formal consultation, and was therefore seeking the views on the two proposals for North Yorkshire that had been submitted in response to his invitation, namely:
- The East & West proposal submitted by Craven District Council, Harrogate Borough Council, Richmondshire District Council, Ryedale District Council, Scarborough Borough Council and Selby District Council
 - The proposal submitted by North Yorkshire County Council
- A copy of the Ministerial statement of 22 February is at Appendix B.
- 5.6 The consultation asks a number of specific questions about each proposal to help inform the Secretary of State's assessment of the proposals. These questions are set out in Appendix D.
- 5.7 The Secretary of State has made it clear that the consultation it is not a referendum, so it is not a vote for one proposal over another. Rather it is a means to seek local views on the specific questions set out in Appendix D in relation to each proposal. It is therefore possible to support both proposals, support one proposal, or support neither proposal, whilst answering the specific consultation questions.
- 5.8 The decision on which proposal, if any, to implement in an area, sits with the Secretary of State.
- 5.9 In making this decision, which is subject to Parliamentary approval, the Secretary of State has advised that he will make a balanced judgement, assessing the two proposals against the three criteria set out in the statutory guidance accompanying the invitation (set out in Appendix A) and having regard to all representations received (including responses to the consultation) and to all other relevant information available to him.
- 6.0 The Secretary of State has allowed until 11.45pm on 19 April 2021 for representations to be made in response to the consultation, after which he will make his "minded-to" decisions. Presuming that he decides that a unitary proposal should go ahead, then parliamentary orders will be drafted. These are anticipated to be finalized by summer of 2021, and would give the powers required to establish the new unitary authorities.

REPORT

6.0 REPORT DETAILS

- 6.1 Council is requested to make a decision whether or not to respond, as a Council body, to the Secretary of State's consultation on the proposals he has received relating to North Yorkshire.
- 6.2 The consultation requires those who respond to complete a separate response for each of the two proposals before government.
- 6.3 Council may decide to provide a consultation response on the East & West model (which Council previously resolved to submit), the model submitted by North Yorkshire County Council, both models, or neither model.
- 6.4 Regardless of whether or not the Council, as a body, decides to provide a response, individual Elected Members, and/or political groups, may respond to the consultation in their own right.
- 6.5 Should Ryedale District Council decide to provide a Council response to one or both of the models, agreement would need to be reached by Council on the content of that response in sufficient time to enable submission to be made prior to the deadline of 11.45pm on 19 April 2021.
- 6.6 Officers from Harrogate, Craven, Richmondshire, Scarborough and Selby Councils have collaborated in the preparation of material that could be used to inform Elected Members' deliberations on a possible consultation response on each model. This is provided for information at Appendix E.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The following implications have been identified:
 - a) Financial
Whilst local government reform (should the Secretary of State decide to go ahead) will impact on all aspects of the Council's activity, including its finances, there are no financial implications associated with this particular decision.
 - b) Legal
Councils involved in the East & West model have received advice that there is no legal obligation to respond to the consultation, but that a formal decision should be made by elected members on whether or not to do so.
 - c) Other (Equalities, Staffing, Planning, Health & Safety, Environmental and Climate Change, Crime & Disorder)
Whilst local government reform (should the Secretary of State decide to go ahead) will impact on all aspects of the Council's activity, there are no specific implications relating to this decision.

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Background Papers:

Appendix A	Government criteria for local government reorganisation proposals
Appendix B	Ministerial statement of 22 February 2021
Appendix C	List of consultees
Appendix D	Consultation questions
Appendix E	Material prepared by officers of Craven, Harrogate, Richmondshire, Scarborough and Selby councils to inform possible consultation responses

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APPENDIX A

SECRETARY OF STATE CRITERIA FOR ASSESSING PROPOSALS

In deciding which proposal, if any, to implement in an area, the Secretary of State has advised that he will make a balanced judgement, which will include (amongst other considerations) assessing the proposals against the three criteria set out in the statutory guidance accompanying the invitation.

These criteria are:

That a proposal should seek to achieve for the area concerned, the establishment of a single tier of local government, that is the establishment of one or more unitary authorities:

- which are likely to improve local government and service delivery across the area of the proposal, giving greater value for money, generating savings, providing stronger strategic and local leadership, and which are more sustainable structures;
- which command a good deal of local support as assessed in the round overall across the whole area of the proposal; and
- where the area of each unitary authority is a credible geography consisting of one or more existing local government areas with an aggregate population which is either within the range 300,000 to 600,000, or such other figure that, having regard to the circumstances of the authority, including local identity and geography, could be considered substantial.

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Dear Leader

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION IN CUMBRIA, NORTH YORKSHIRE AND SOMERSET

Councils in Cumbria, North Yorkshire and Somerset have submitted proposals for unitary local government. I am writing to let you know that today I have launched a consultation on all eight proposals that I have received. The consultation document is available online at <https://consult.communities.gov.uk/> and responses may be made on the department's online platform 'Citizen Space' or alternatively by email to unitaryconsultation@communities.gov.uk or in writing to Governance Reform and Democracy, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, 2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 4DF. The consultation will run for eight weeks to Monday 19 April 2021.

You will see that we are specifically consulting your council in relation to the unitary proposals for your county area. As the consultation document makes clear, we welcome views from any interested person, including residents, and in addition to consulting councils in the area, we are also specifically consulting neighbouring councils and certain other named consultees. I would however stress that any person or any organisation who is interested may respond and I would ask that your council seeks to bring the consultation to the attention of people and organisations in your local area.

The context for this consultation is the provision in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 which requires that before a proposal for local government reorganisation can be implemented, the Secretary of State must first consult any council affected by a proposal (i.e. a council whose area in whole or in part would become part of a proposed unitary council) that has not submitted the proposal. In addition, the statute provides that the Secretary of State may consult such other persons he considers appropriate.

Once the consultation is concluded, we will decide, subject to parliamentary approval, which, if any, proposals are to be implemented, with or without modification. In taking these decisions we will have regard to all the representations we have received, including those from the consultation, and all other relevant information available to us, and reach a balanced judgement assessing the proposals against the three criteria: whether they are likely to improve local government and service delivery across the area of the proposal, whether they

command a good deal of local support as assessed in the round across the whole area of the proposal, and whether the area of any new unitary council is a credible geography.

I can also confirm that we have decided to reschedule the ordinary elections to principal councils in Cumbria, North Yorkshire and Somerset due to be held on 6 May 2021 for one year to May 2022. PCC elections, by-elections to principal councils, and parish and town council elections in these areas will go ahead. This means that in each of the three areas the county council elections will be rescheduled, and in addition in Cumbria elections to Carlisle City Council and South Lakeland District Council and in North Yorkshire elections to Craven District Council. In reaching this decision we have carefully considered all representations received and reached a judgement having regard to the importance of local elections and the risk of holding elections to councils when we are also consulting on their possible abolition. As soon as practicable I will lay before Parliament the necessary legislation to give effect to this decision.

I enclose a copy of a Written Ministerial Statement made today announcing the consultation and the decision on local elections in these three areas.



Robert Jenrick.

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Appendix C

North Yorkshire consultees

Principal councils in the area

- City of York Unitary Council
- Craven District Council
- Hambleton District Council
- Harrogate Borough Council
- North Yorkshire County Council
- Richmondshire District Council
- Ryedale District Council
- Scarborough Borough Council
- Selby District Council

Neighbouring principal councils

- Bradford Metropolitan District Council
- Cumbria County Council and the district councils within Cumbria County
- Darlington Borough Council
- Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council
- Durham County Council
- East Riding of Yorkshire Council
- Lancashire County Council, the district councils within Lancashire County
- Leeds City Council
- Middlesbrough Council
- Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council
- Stockton on Tees Borough Council
- Wakefield Metropolitan District Council
- Sheffield City Region Combined Authority

- Tees Valley Combined Authority
- West Yorkshire Combined Authority

Other named consultees

Public Service Bodies

Health Bodies: Bradford and Craven CCG, Morecambe Bay CCG, North Yorkshire CCG, Vale of York CCG, Airedale NHS Trust Hospital, Bradford District Care Trust, Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust, Humber Coast and Vale ICS, Humber Teaching Foundation Trust, South Tees Foundation Trust, Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust, York Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

Policing, Fire and Rescue Bodies: North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner (Julia Mulligan), Chief Constable of North Yorkshire Police, Chief Fire Officer of North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service.

Other Public Sector Bodies: Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Forest of Bowland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Nidderdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, North Yorkshire Moors National Park Authority, Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, Independent Chair of the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Adults Board, Independent Chair and Scrutineer of the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children's Board, Transport for the North.

Business Bodies: Federation of Small Business (Yorkshire, Humber and the North East), West and North Yorkshire Chambers of Commerce, York and North Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership, Yorkshire & Humber CBI.

Voluntary Sector Bodies: Community First Yorkshire, York CVS.

Education Bodies: University of York, York St John's University.

Other Bodies: Lord-Lieutenant for North Yorkshire, Welcome to Yorkshire.

National Bodies: Environment Agency, Highways England, Local Government Association, National Housing Federation, National Association of Local Councils, Public Health England.

APPENDIX D CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

1. Is the proposal likely to improve local government and service delivery across each area? Specifically, is it likely to improve council services, will it give greater value for money, generate savings, provide stronger strategic and local leadership and create more sustainable structures?
2. Where it is proposed that services will be delivered on a different geographic footprint than currently, through some form of joint arrangements, is this likely to improve those services? Such services may for example be children's services, waste collection and disposal, adult health and social care, planning, and transport.
3. Is the proposal also likely to impact local public services delivered by others, such as police, fire and rescue, and health services?
4. Do you support the proposal from this council?
5. Do the unitary councils proposed by the councils represent a credible geography?
6. Do you have any other comments with regards to the proposed reorganisation of local government in each area?

Please indicate reasons for your answers.

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