

RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION ON AIRE VALLEY AREA ACTION PLAN BY LAF CHAIR

SECTION 1: PREFERRED OPTIONS

PO1: Employment Uses

1A: Identify 200 hectares of land for employment (non-office) use: 3 = Don't Know

1B: Identify areas 2,3,4,5,6,8,and 9 to provide the 200 hectares of employment land: 3 = Don't Know

1C: Support the concept of business clusters within the Leeds City Growth Area: 3 = Don't Know

1: Do you have any other comments about the Preferred Option for Employment Use? Please indicate which part you are commenting on.:

PO2: Housing

2A: Promote new housing within mixed use developments in locations at: i: Clarence Road (Area 1): 2 = Agree

2A: Promote new housing within mixed use developments in locations at: ii: former Copperfields College (Area 2A): 2 = Agree

2A: Promote new housing within mixed use developments in locations at: iii: Knowsthorpe (Area 2B): 2 = Agree

2A: Promote new housing within mixed use developments in locations at: iv: Hunslet Riverside Area (Area 2A): 2 = Agree

2B: Promote new housing development in the eastern part of Aire Valley in the form of two 'sustainable communities' at: i: Skelton Business Park (part of Area 11): 3 = Don't Know

2B: Promote new housing development in the eastern part of Aire Valley in the form of two 'sustainable communities' at: ii: Bellwood, Skelton Grange and Stourton Riverside: 3 = Don't Know

2: Do you have any other comments about the Preferred Option for Housing? Please indicate which part you are commenting on.: LLAF supports the delivery of high quality pedestrian and cycling links to existing facilities, and the waterfront including new and enhanced bridge crossings.

PO3: Town Centre Uses

3A: Promote appropriate support services in neighbourhood centres at Copperfields College (Area 2A), Knowsthorpe (Area 2B), Bellwood (Area 6) and Skelton Business Park (Area 11).: 3 = Don't Know

3B: Allow for development of offices at Skelton Moor Farm (Area 5B) and Leeds Valley Park (Area 9).: 3 = Don't Know

3C: Allow for existing leisure & tourism consents and identify the following locations as preferred areas of search to locate new leisure and tourism facilities of an appropriate scale: i: Clarence Road (Area 1), Hunslet Riverside South (Area 2C): 3 = Don't Know

3C: Allow for existing leisure & tourism consents and identify the following locations as preferred areas of search to locate new leisure and tourism facilities of an appropriate scale: ii: Stourton North (Area 9): 3 = Don't Know

3C: Allow for existing leisure & tourism consents and identify the following locations as preferred areas of search to locate new leisure and tourism facilities of an appropriate scale: iii: Skelton Business Park (Area 11): 3 = Don't Know

3: Do you have any other comments about the Preferred Option for Town Centre Uses? Please indicate which part you are commenting on.:

PO4: Transport

4A: Implement a balanced package of transport measures to support travel plans by providing a mix of public and private investments: 2 = Agree

4B: Propose a range of physical transport improvements (the full list can be found in the Preferred Options document) such as park and ride, rapid transit, cycleways and a new rail halt on the Leeds to Castleford Line: 2 = Agree

4C: Identify opportunities for non-road freight distribution facilities at Neville Hill sidings and an inland dock on the Aire & Calder Navigation at Stourton (Area 6E): 3 = Don't Know

4D: Consider a range of transport policy measures (the full list can be found in the Preferred Options document) such as: i: 40% of journeys by non-car modes of travel: 3 = Don't Know

4D: Consider a range of transport policy measures (the full list can be found in the Preferred Options document) such as: ii: restrictions on number of car parking spaces for new development: 3 = Don't Know

4D: Consider a range of transport policy measures (the full list can be found in the Preferred Options document) such as: iii: restrictions on the use of East Leeds Link Road to through traffic: 3 = Don't Know

4D: Consider a range of transport policy measures (the full list can be found in the Preferred Options document) such as: iv: requirements for developers to contribute to sustainable transport : 2 = Agree

4: Do you have any other comments about the Preferred Option for Transport? Please indicate which part you are commenting on.: 4B LLAf supports provision of an integrated cycle and pedestrian network through the area connecting to the Trans Pennine Trail, Wykebeck Valley Trail \and Rothwell Greenways. 4D (iv) LLAF supports developer contributions to sustainable transport infrastructure. General comment on the Proposals Map. Definitive footpaths should be added to the Map. Definitive bridleways are included.

PO5: Waste Management

5A: The potential of Aire Valley as a location for a Sustainable Energy Resource Park (SERP) and/or other waste management facilities should be recognised in the AAP.: 3 = Don't Know

5B: Knostrop WWTW will remain in its current location. The implementation of measures that will reduce odour emissions from Knostrop WWTW to such a level that will allow for the development of a wider range of uses on adjacent sites are promoted.: 3 = Don't Know

5: Do you have any other comments about the Preferred Option for Waste Management? Please indicate which part you are commenting on.:

PO6: Recreation

6A: Create a new riverside park at Bellwood (part of Area 6).: 2 = Agree

6B: Promote related recreational uses of the water corridor.: 2 = Agree

6C: Provide for new pedestrian and cycle bridge crossings over the river and canal.:
2 = Agree

6D: Promote opportunities to create several new parks.: 2 = Agree

6: Do you have any other comments about the Preferred Option for Recreation?
Please indicate which part you are commenting on.: The LLAF fully supports the opportunities for improving public access and associated infrastructure that this Option will deliver. LLAF also supports new recreational uses of water corridor including canoeing, rowing in addition to enhancing existing uses such as walking.

PO7: Design And Environment

7A: The overall principles of design based on use, movement, space and form.: 3 = Don't Know

7B: Streets, Spaces and Buildings by exploiting design opportunities, using high quality materials and preserve historic buildings.: 3 = Don't Know

7C: Landmarks & Gateways by exploiting opportunities for landmark buildings, public art and landscape features.: 3 = Don't Know

7D: Community Safety by adopting 'secured by design' principles and ensures that spaces around buildings enhance natural surveillance and reduce crime.: 3 = Don't Know

7E: Landscaping by incorporating larger growing tree species.: 3 = Don't Know

7F: Biodiversity by protecting existing habitats and identifying opportunities for habitat creation.: 3 = Don't Know

7G: Sustainable Design and Construction by maximising energy efficiency and minimising waste, incorporating on-site renewable energy production and Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems.: 3 = Don't Know

7: Do you have any other comments about the Preferred Option for Design and Environment? Please indicate which part you are commenting on.:

SECTION 2: CHARACTER AREA PROPOSALS

Using both the character area frameworks and accompanying plans please indicate if you agree or disagree with the proposals set out in the character areas.:

Area 1: Clarence Road: 2 = Agree

Area 2a: Copperfields: 2 = Agree

Area 2b: Knowsthorpe: 2 = Agree

Area 2c: Hunslet Riverside South: 2 = Agree

Area 2d: National Road: 3 = Don't Know

Area 3: Cross Green Industrial Park: 2 = Agree

Area 4: Knostrop: 3 = Don't Know

Area 5a: Thornes Farm: 3 = Don't Know

Area 5b: Skelton Moor Farm: 3 = Don't Know

Area 6: Bellwood, Skelton Grange & Stourton Riverside: 2 = Agree

Area 7: Thwaite Mills: 2 = Agree

Area 8: Stourton Corridor: Please Select

Area 9: Stourton North: 2 = Agree

Area 10: Leeds Valley Park: 2 = Agree

Area 11: Skelton Business Park: 2 = Agree

CA: Do you have any other comments about the Preferred Options for the Character Area Proposals? Please indicate which area you are commenting on.: LLAF supports Area 1 1) 1st and 2nd bullet points. Area 2B 1) 4th bullet point. 2) 1st and 2nd bullet point. Area 2C 2) 3rd and 4th bullet points. Area 3 1) 3rd and 4th bullet points. Area 6 1) 6th and 7th points in 2nd bullet point. 4) 3rd, 4th and 6th bullet points. 5) 1st and 2nd bullet points. Area 7 1) and 4) Area 8 1) 3rd bullet point. Area 9 3) 4th bullet point. Area 10 2) 1st bullet point. Area 11 2) 4th bullet point.

SECTION 3: SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT

We are required to produce a Sustainability Assessment of the preferred options. Could you please comment in the box below on the following questions: 1.Do you have any comments of the methods used to appraise the policies and the results produced? 2.Are these any sustainability effects which you feel have not been appropriately identified? 3.Do you have any other comments on the sustainability appraisal?:

The Rights of Way Improvement Plan (RoWIP), a statutory document under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, and currently emerging, should be added to Appendix 3 under Local Policies. AVL AAP policies should be in conformity and not conflict with the RoWIP. The RoWIP will assess: a) the extent to which rights of way meet the present and likely future needs of the public; b)the opportunities provided by local rights of way for exercise and other forms of open air recreation and enjoyment; c) the accessibility of local rights of way to blind and partially sighted persons and others with mobility problems. The RoWIP will also include a Statement of Actions proposed for the management of local rights of way and for securing an improved network of local rights of way with regard to matters dealt with in the assessment.