

Appendix 3
City Centre Area Action Plan
Preferred Options Interim Consultation Report

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(Chinese):-

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(Punjabi):-

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(Urdu):-

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Status

This document forms part of the City Centre Area Action Plan Preferred Options pack. As a statement of factual events and comments, its purpose is to provide background information to help inform understanding of the Preferred Options themselves. As such, it is not a document designed to elicit feedback or comments as part of the Preferred Options public consultation. Nevertheless, if you have any general comments or wish to point out any inaccuracies, please send via the following routes:

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This report sets out the consultation undertaken for the various stages of the City Centre Area Action Plan preparation. It covers how CCAAP material & events were publicised, who was notified and who responded. It follows a chronological order beginning with the process of raising awareness and scoping the issues leading to consultation on the Alternative Options. A considerable amount of consultation material is set out in the appendices, but because of large volumes, other relevant material is set out in separate reports, for example the report of the workshops held September 2005.

2. Scoping the Issues & Options

Internal City Council Scoping

- 2.1. The scoping exercise began with two half day seminars on 28th February and 1st March 2006. The first brought together over 30 officers representing Planning Policy, Development Control, Highways Development Services, Transport Policy, Design & Conservation, Sustainable Development, Landscaping, Asset Management, Design Services, Economic Services, Regeneration/Major Projects, the Civic Architect's Office, Tourism, Business Support and the City Centre Management Unit. The second brought together officers from relevant service divisions of other Departments of the City Council including housing, social services, parks & leisure, waste management, licensing, legal and Chief Executives (Leeds City Region).
- 2.2. The sessions identified a range of issues to be addressed. These are summarised in **Appendix A**.

Development Plan Panel Reports

- 2.3. Before embarking upon external consultation, reports were prepared for the City Council's Development Plan Panel to get Member endorsement. Reports were put to Development Plan Panel on 22/3/05 & 25/5/05 (**Appendix B**). The first DPP meeting thought that consultation arrangements needed to be improved. The second DPP meeting gave approval to the material for consultation and for consultation arrangements.
- 2.4. The Development Plan Panel approved the content of the "Consultation Pack June-Sept 2005". This was compiled as a set of four fact sheets and four response forms covering the themes of:
 - i. Growth
 - ii. Use & Function
 - iii. Movement
 - iv. Quality & Safety of Environment

- 2.5. The individually stapled fact sheets & response forms were collected together & made available in “Consultation Pack” folders. They were also made available as PDF files for viewing/download on the LCC website.

Notification

- 2.6. The Consultation Packs were sent to 80 organisations including Parish Councils, adjoining local authorities and other consultees (see **Appendix C**). Letters in the format of **Appendix Di** were sent to a much wider group of organisations including Community Groups (see **Appendix Dii**), 6 Schools and 2 FE colleges in neighbourhoods adjoining the city centre, and a selection of city centre residents (who were contacted through their interest in attending a presentation about City Living in Leeds¹), summarising the issues & the process, and inviting people to either look at the documents on the website or request a set by post/email and to attend the four half day workshop sessions at the end of September 2005.
- 2.7. On the LDF section of the Leeds City Council website www.leeds.gov.uk the four fact sheets, four question/response forms in PDF format for download & four on-line forms were made available.

Workshops

- 2.8. Four half day workshops were held at the Round Foundary Media Centre, David St, Holbeck on 28th & 29th September 2005 to explore the issues and identify option choices. These were attended by a wide range of organisations, business representatives, academics, City Council Officers & residents (see **Appendix E**). Each of the four workshops covering the themes of “Growth”, “Use & Function”, “Movement” and “Environment” included a presentation & then broke into workshop discussion groups led by facilitators to explore a number of key questions & issues. The expectation was for the discussion groups to go beyond the exploration of issues to define options & solutions to the issues. Full details are set out in supporting document “City Centre Area Action Plan Pre-Submission Consultation Workshops”.

Presentations to Meetings

- 2.9. Through the summer 2005, planning officers gave presentations about the CCAAP to the City Council’s Inner Area Committees², to the Leeds

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¹ City Living in Leeds 2005 A study examining the state of the residential market, complemented by a survey of residents to provide a detailed account of the kinds of people who live in the city centre and what they think of the experience. K W Linfoot plc and Rachael Unsworth at the School of Geography, University of Leeds

² Leeds City Council has 5 Inner Area Committees and 5 Outer Area Committees. Each covers approximately 3 council wards & holds monthly meetings concerned with local issues.

Initiative³ strategy & partnership groups as well as a number of single interest organisations. The presentations served purposes of raising awareness, inviting attendance at the September workshops taking immediate comments and inviting subsequent written responses. The method of presenting ranged from short verbal reports to powerpoint presentations, depending upon the time available. Formal reports were presented to the Inner Area Committees and Leeds Initiative Executives. A typical report is provided as **Appendix F**. A list of the presentation meetings and points raised at them is set out in **Appendix G**.

Additional Presentation to Outer Area Committees

- 2.10. As a result of an update report to Development Plan Panel in September 05, it was decided that the Outer Area Committees have as much interest in the CCAAP as the Inner Area Committees and that an event should be organised to inform them of the issues & take comments. The Outer Area Committees were given details of the event to pass on to their affiliated organisations, community groups & partners inviting attendance to anyone interested.
- 2.11. The event was held in Leeds Civic Hall, Calverley St on 10th October 2005 at 7pm & attended by a small number of councillors & individuals. Questions & comments made at the session are set out in **Appendix H**

Youth Council & Yorkshire Planning Aid

- 2.12. The Community Planners at Yorkshire Planning Aid helped to set up a number of sessions with hard to reach groups, including young people and residents of inner city areas adjoining the city centre. One example was the Leeds East Homes Tenant Forum Sat 3rd September 05 documented in **Appendix G** below. Another example is work with the Leeds Youth Council. At the time, the Youth Council had 44 representatives from 32 High Schools in Leeds. Each Member of the School Council was given questionnaires to distribute at their school and asked to complete a summary sheet of the responses. A session was held on Sat 15th October to explore the findings. The principal aim of the session was to obtain views from young people about Leeds City Centre, hopefully making use of any questionnaire responses of their peers. Secondly to identify volunteers for a subgroup to have further meetings with the Planning Dept. The conclusions of the session are summarised in **Appendix I** below, and the consequent effects in shaping the Options Papers are set out in **Appendix J** below.

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³ Leeds Initiative is the Local Strategic Partnership for Leeds responsible for preparing the Community Strategy (Vision for Leeds). Led by Leeds City Council it brings together a diverse set of representatives from business, environmental groups, service providers and community organisations.

Translating Consultation Responses into Options

- 2.13. Through feedback from presentations at meetings, the September workshops and written submitted comments, a large amount of material was received verbally & in-writing to digest. To process the information & decide upon the options for consultation in April 2006 a number of small working groups of relevant officers were used, all co-ordinated & attended by Robin Coghlan (Planning Policy Team):
- i. Access – Anup Sharma (Access Officer), Rachel Smalley (Access Officer)
 - ii. Design & Conservation – Mark Burgess (Urban Design Team), Richard Taylor (Conservation Team), John Thorp (Civic Architect), Henry Srzy (Urban Design Team & Author of the Tall Buildings SPD), Helen Miller (Planning Policy Team)
 - iii. Open Space & Greenery – Nigel Lees (Landscape Architect), Rob Matley (Former Deputy City Centre Manager), Cath Follin (City Centre Manager)
 - iv. Growth, Entertainment, Retail, Residential – Yasin Raja (Planning Policy Team), Alan Taylor (Planning Policy Team), Lois Pickering (Planning Policy Team), Helen Miller (Planning Policy Team)
 - v. Movement – Yasin Raja (Planning Policy Team) Andrew Hall (Transport Policy), Louise Holliday (Transport Policy), Gwyn Owen (Transport Policy), Dave Sherborne (Road Safety),
 - vi. Managing Resources – Helen Miller (Planning Policy Team), Susan Williams (Environment City Team)
- 2.14. Most of the officers involved had helped to facilitate the workshop discussions so were aware of the issues raised. To help inform the preparation of the Options, copies of the consultation responses and notes from the workshops were circulated to officers involved in the groups. The choice of Options emerged through discussion taking account of public responses as well as collective knowledge of government policy, understanding of Leeds, personal experience & expertise & good practice elsewhere. Links to the emerging Options from the written consultation comments and Youth Council session conclusions are set out in **Appendices J & K** below. No systematic correlation of link between comments made at Presentation meetings & Workshops & the Options were made.

Aim & Objectives

- 2.15. Comments were sought from consultees on the overall aim & objectives as part of the Consultation Pack of documents. Consultees were asked whether they supported the aim & 7 objectives set out in the Unitary Development Plan Chapter 13, or how they should be reworded and whether they favoured more emphasis on economic, social or environmental objectives. Only 6 written responses were received, which are set out in **Appendix L** below. In addition, a 15-30 minute period of each of the September workshops was devoted to examining the aim & objectives. Comments made were recorded & summarised in **Appendix M** below. Planning officers had regard to

comments received when developing a revised version of the aim & objectives for the Alternative Options.

3. Alternative Options

3.1. Ten Options Papers were published for consultation for 5 weeks from 3rd April to 5th May 2006. These comprised of the following

Objectives & Strategic Options – choices for overall aims & direction for the city centre

Access – broadening the use & attraction of the city centre for all communities of Leeds

Design & Conservation – influencing the appearance & character of the city centre

Entertainment – planning for leisure, arts, culture & the night time economy in the city centre

Growth – planning for employment growth, new development & expansion of the city centre

Managing Resources – protecting the environment, climate change & planning for waste

Movement – dealing with congestion, connectivity, transport infrastructure & safety

Open Space – delivering new spaces & greenery

Residential – planning for new residential communities

Retail – promoting the shopping attraction of the city centre & convenience stores for residents

3.2. In broad terms the aim of the consultation exercise was to attract a wider audience that had been achieved during the issues & options stage. The Alternative Options were set out as a series of issues with a variety of ways of addressing them. Preamble text offered an explanation of each issue and essential pros & cons, and consultees were invited to tick their favoured option choice(s). People could respond by filling in the tick boxes either on hard copies or using on-line forms.

3.3. The intention was to notify people and organisations of the existence of the ten Options Papers, outlining their broad content and explain how to get hold of the documents, and how to respond. Notification was by publicity, notification letters and presentations. Yorkshire Planning Aid also set up a number of sessions with local residents & tenants associations and with youth, school & FE college groups.

Publicity

3.4. To alert a wider audience to the consultation on the Options Papers use was made of press releases, local radio, websites and posters. The City Council issued two press releases, one at the beginning of the consultation and one specifically to publicise the holding of a presentation in Leeds Civic Hall – see **Appendix N**. The City Council

press office made contact with local radio stations & newspapers to help publicise the Options Papers & presentations. As a result, the CCAAP options & Civic Hall presentations were announced on the morning news bulletins of BBC Radio Leeds and Radio Aire on the date of the second Civic Hall presentation, 24th April 2006. A link with a picture to details use of the CCAAP Options was also achieved on the homepages of both the City Council website and the BBC Leeds website – **Appendix O**. In addition, 14 posters were placed around the city centre on notice boards of various public venues as well as lobbies of residential blocks – **Appendix P**.

Notification Letters

3.5. Notification letters (**Appendix Q**) were sent out to 514 organisations and 433 residents as listed in **Appendix R**.

Civic Hall Presentations

3.6. Two presentations were held at Leeds Civic Hall banqueting suite on Monday April 3rd and Monday April 17th at 7pm. The main purpose of the presentations was to set out the background to the CCAAP and examine a number of the key options in detail, setting out pros & cons & likely implications of different option choices for Leeds. Options covered included:

- i. Whether to expand the city centre boundary
- ii. Provision of convenience shopping facilities
- iii. Development contributions for provision of open space
- iv. Commuter car parking provision as part of new development
- v. Mix of housing types to appeal to families as well as DINKies
- vi. Whether to identify Entertainment “focal points”

3.7. Attendance was disappointing, the event on 3rd being attended by 4 people, a City Councillor and 3 people from the real ale campaign group CAMRA and the event on the 17th attended by 13 individuals. See **Appendix S** for a summary of the points raised.

Yorkshire Planning Aid Sessions

3.8. Yorkshire Planning Aid helped the City Council to involve hard-to-reach groups including young people and residents of inner city neighbourhoods adjoining the city centre. The following sessions were held:

- New Wortley Residents Association, New Wortley Community Centre, 29th November 2005 attended by 15 residents & 2 LCC Street Wardens, facilitated by Mike Dando, Community Planner, Yorkshire Planning Aid
- East End Park Community Association & Saxton Gardens Residents Association, 45 Glensdale Terrace, 11th February 2006, Attended by 5 Members & facilitated by Mike Dando, Community Planner, Yorkshire Planning Aid

- 4 x 1 hour sessions with different tutorial groups at Park Lane College on 2nd, 4th and 25th May 2006 each attended by between 10-14 “A” level students, mixed male & female, facilitated by Mike Dando, Community Planner, Edward Wills, volunteer, and Lora Hughes, volunteer.
- Gaitskells Community Association, 7.30pm 20th June 2006, Holbeck Working Mens Club, attended by 23 members of the Association & facilitated by Edward Wills & Alan Mitchell, volunteers of Yorkshire Planning Aid. Focus on the Movement options.
- Sub-group of Leeds Youth Council at Leeds Civic Hall, 5-7pm, 2nd May 2006, attended by 4 youths mixed male & female in 14-15 year age group, facilitated by Jaquie Baines, Regional Co-ordinator of Yorkshire Planning Aid and Helen Miller, Principal Planner LCC. As well as giving comments & opinion on the day, the youths agreed to circulate supplied copies of the Options Papers to their school colleagues.

Translating Consultation Responses into Preferred Options

- 3.9. Written responses were received from 77 organisations & individuals including 26 from Corpus Christi high school pupils. A good range of interests responded including developers, residents, interest groups and statutory organisations & service providers (see **Appendix T**). Some responded to all 10 Options Papers while others were selective. Most responded by ticking the boxes of the questionnaire format response forms with supporting comments as necessary; others preferred to make a set of their own written comments. The City Council entered written responses into a database, summarising written comments as appropriate. The summarised comments were set out according to Themed Paper and Option Number into tables & made available on the Leeds City Council website from the end of May 2006.
- 3.10. The responses from the East End Park/Saxton Gardens session and the Park La College sessions were fed into the consultation database. The responses from the other sessions were inadvertently missed from the database, but placed on the website separately in mid July 2006.
- 3.11. Small groups of planning officers & officers with related specialisms were formed to consider the consultation responses & recommend the Council’s preferred options. The analysis & conclusions reached were informed not only by the consultation responses, but also the conclusions of the Sustainability Appraisal of the alternative options, relevant national planning guidance and the community strategy “Vision for Leeds II”. The analysis leading to the conclusions is set out in the document “Appraisal of Responses to Alternative Options”.
- 3.12. Once the overall policy framework emerged, planning officers identified a number of areas with opportunity for significant

redevelopment in order to prepare proposal statements advising what uses and nature of development would be appropriate. As part of this exercise, the major landowners were contacted & ideas discussed as part of the preparation of the Preferred Options. Large Format Retailers were contacted too.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1. This interim report sets out a chronology of consultation activity undertaken up to publication of the Preferred Options. A final report to be published with the Draft Plan when submitted to the Secretary of State will set out consultation activity undertaken to publicise and generate comment on the Preferred Options.

Appendix A – Internal Scoping Sessions Summary

City Council Seminars held 28th February and 1st March 2005

I S S U E S

Context

The City Centre shouldn't be seen as an entity on its own – it is heart of city region with complex relationships to surrounding areas. Should be seen as a “gateway” or “shop window”.

Function

Residential growth – i) need for shops & services to serve it, ii) whether it's outbidding of office development should be constrained, iii) whether mix (dwelling sizes & types) should be controlled?

Functions & attractions need to appeal to all – age, race, gender, sexual orientation, physical ability

need to plan/manage role as a place to live with role as an entertainment centre

Education & health providers likely to review their estate portfolios

Growth

Support for spreading the investment of new development into surrounding inner city areas, but two concerns:

outward spread could leave central pockets overlooked & unfinished
displacement of indigenous small businesses in fringe areas

Compactness of shopping quarter is a real asset that should be maintained

Office locations – waning business case for spatial concentration (ie for business interaction), although growing case for proximity to train station on business & environmental sustainability grounds

Rim of disconnection – need to break through barriers

Movement

Better connectivity required to and from the city centre and within it.

More park & ride schemes needed.

Accessibility required for all

Appearance

Need high quality public realm.

Need more greenery.

new buildings mediocre, lack of Leeds distinction – council should provide a better steer

need more focus on quality of build, not just design on paper

O B J E C T I V E S

Differences of view. Some people thought the current UDP aim to become a European City & 7 objectives were still fit for purpose. Others thought they were trying to please everyone & thus failed to provide real direction. Facilitation of business growth is key, focussed upon sectors with particular potential in Leeds eg financial & legal services. But we need to be conscious that a high quality environment is important for attracting investment.

Vision for Leeds objectives are a good starting point. Support for maintaining Leeds' role as regional capital.

R E S E A R C H

Currently underway or required:

- need for new floorspace: office, retail & residential
- land development capacity
- fresh look at transport planning & infrastructure
- night time economy
- audit of existing shops & facilities
- best practice in other cities
- external trends & plans that may affect Leeds, eg Lyons Report

C O N S U L T A T I O N

Avoid consultation overload. Make use of Leeds Initiative's network of partnerships. Stimulate interest with questions, provocative suggestions, use local media, use the internet/website, involve other council staff in helping undertake consultation.

O T H E R S T R A T E G I E S

- City Centre Management Strategy.
- Renaissance Leeds.
- Tourism Strategy.
- Economic Development Strategy.
- Cultural Strategy.
- Local Transport Plan.
- Waterfront Strategy.
- Evening Economy Strategy.
- Greenspace Strategy.
- Advertising Design Guide.
- Strategies produced by the NHS.
- Area Action Teams Strategies.
- Leeds Regeneration Plan, for every wedge, plus one for the whole city.
- Northern Way.
- Aire Valley Strategic Vision.
- EASEL stage 2 brief.
- Vision II.
- Parks & Countryside Strategy.
- Waste strategy.
- Air quality strategy.
- Community safety strategy.
- Environmental action plan.
- Education strategies.
- Open space action plan.
- Licensing policy.
- Local Transport Plan.

At the very least the CCAAP must be complementary with existing strategies, but where issues are raised which are or will be dealt with elsewhere, the CCAAP may either:

- i) leave to be dealt with by another strategy,
- ii) address the issues in ways appropriate for a development plan which avoid straight duplication with other strategies, or
- iii) to absorb the strategy (in part or totally)

Decisions on which approach is appropriate will depend upon the nature of the issue at hand and have to be made in collaboration with the authors of the strategies.

Appendix B, Development Plan Panel Report May 05



LEEDS
CITY COUNCIL

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

REPORT TO DEVELOPMENT PLAN PANEL

DATE : 25 MAY 2005

**SUBJECT : CITY CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN STAGE
1 - PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTATION AND
SUSTAINABILITY SCOPING REPORT**

Electoral Wards Affected :	Specific Implications For :
All	Ethnic Minorities <input type="checkbox"/>
	Women <input type="checkbox"/>
	Disabled People <input type="checkbox"/>

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to make the Panel aware of the proposals for consulting with the public on the first stage of City Centre Area Action Plan (CCAAP) preparation together with the Sustainability Appraisal scoping report of the CCAAP, and to enable the Panel to make any comments in respect of these.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Planning officers "scoped" the issues internally with other sections & departments at the end of February and brought a report to the Development Plan Panel on 22nd March outlining findings and making proposals for the first stage of public consultation. Members felt that the consultation proposals were not sufficiently specific and did not approve the recommendations.

2.2 All Local Development Documents prepared, as part of the Local Development Framework (LDF) must be subject to sustainability appraisal. There is a formal process for this laid down by government guidance and the first stage is the preparation of a “scoping report”. This has to be subject to its own consultation to ensure that consultees agree with the proposed breadth of sustainability issues to be appraised later. A copy of the Sustainability Appraisal scoping report is included in Appendix C, attached to this report.

3 CONTEXT

3.1 The emerging draft Local Development Scheme (LDS) sets the CCAAP as one of the first documents to be prepared by the City Council under the Local Development Framework (LDF). So far, the LDS sets a broad role for the CCAAP:

To provide a co-ordinated approach to the spatial planning and if appropriate, expansion of the City Centre, ensuring that the City Centre continues to deliver economic, environmental and social objectives at the heart of the City Region.

3.2 The stages for preparation of the CCAAP are summarised in the table below.

	Formal Term	Explanation	Dates
1	Pre-Submission Consultation (Regulation 25)	Engagement with those organisations & community groups who the City Council believes it is appropriate to consult & who may be affected by the CCAAP.	June – Oct 2005
2	Pre-Submission Public Involvement (Regulation 26)	Publication of sustainability appraisal report and proposals in the form of “preferred options”. Circulation to bodies involved in “1” above, display in public places & on the website. Formal 6 week period for responses.	Feb – March 2006
3	Submission	Publication of a draft CCAAP, report of consultation and sustainability appraisal for submission to the Secretary of State followed by a formal 6 week period for responses.	Oct – Nov 2006
4	Public Inquiry	An Examination held by an independent inspector into the “soundness” of the document	April – May 2007
5	Inspector’s report & adoption	The Inspectors recommendations are incorporated into a final document for adoption	Dec 2007

3.3 Whilst Members should find the above explanation of the all the stages useful, this report is primarily concerned with Stage 1. As preparation

progresses, Officers will seek Member approval for the refinement of ideas into options (Stage 2) and for the draft CCAAP to be submitted to the Secretary of State (Stage 3).

4 PROPOSED CONSULTATION ACTIVITY

Overview

- 4.1 The new planning system advocates “front loading” of consultation activity. This means that interested groups and organisations should be given opportunity to influence the shape & form of plan documents as they are prepared right from the outset, as opposed to being asked merely to comment on documents already in an advanced state of preparation. Hence, the early consultation needs particular attention.
- 4.2 Consultation activity on all LDF documents must be in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), but the SCI is currently only in a state of preparation by the Development Department. In fact, the preparation of the first LDF documents like the CCAAP will help to establish the approach to consultation & engagement. This level of “practical application” should help inform the SCI, as the SCI informs the CCAAP.
- 4.3 This section sets out proposals for who to consult and a programme of consultation.

Proposed Groups & Organisations to be Consulted

- 4.4 The minimum statutory requirement is to consult with any of the prescribed nationally listed organisations (e.g. English Heritage) that the Council thinks will be affected by the proposals and with any of the prescribed local or community bodies that the Council thinks are appropriate.
- 4.5 The draft SCI sets out lists of the organisations who should be considered for consultation. For any given LDF document, it is then necessary to assess which of the organisations listed would be sufficiently interested or affected by the proposals to warrant inclusion in the consultation process, and also if any other organisations or groups of people should be added. For the CCAAP, the suggested list of groups and organisations is shown in Appendix A. This selection follows a thoughtful assessment of who ought to be consulted, taking account of Members comments at Development Plan Panel in March. Actually making engagement may be problematic in some instances, for example it is evident that there are no established resident associations for city centre residents. Existing tenant associations tend to represent housing estates outside of the city centre.

Proposed Consultation Programme

- 4.6 Planning Officers are working closely with City Centre Management as well as with the Civic Architect to ensure that CCAAP proposals & consultation activity is co-ordinated with other initiatives, notably the

City Centre Strategic Plan (being prepared by City Centre Management) and Renaissance Leeds (being prepared by the Civic Architect).

4.7 For the CCAAP it is proposed that a range of methods be employed for Stage 1 consultation. These are set out in Appendix A and involve:

- mailing out material based on the Framework of Issues & Options (see Appendix B and Section 5 below) to identified groups & organisations
- placing this material on the LCC website
- writing to lead officers/co-ordinators of relevant Leeds Initiative groups and sub-groups

And as part of the above engagement activity:

- inviting written comments,
- inviting attendance at 4 themed workshops
- offering presentations by planning officers at meetings of organised groups to explain the CCAAP proposals and seek debate & comment

4.8 The 4 themed workshops form the essence of the consultation activity, with the intention of stimulating focussed discussion on the choices and options available to address the issues of concern. These are proposed to take place in September 2005, with letters and notification going out during May/June/July. Officers will offer to attend meetings of the Leeds Initiative and other organised groups from May – September.

4.9 Officers will keep records of all consultation activity and will use the material to put together an Options Report for approval by Members at the end of 2005. This will provide the basis for the more formal Stage 2 consultation in February/March.

5 MATERIAL FOR CONSULTATION

5.1 For the Stage 1 Consultation, the aim has been to compile material which

- sets out evidence of change, success & areas of improvement in order for participants to make informed choices
- sets out “drivers for change” and wider influences
- stimulates thought about the issues and different options for tackling them

5.2 A balance has had to be struck between giving enough navigation to stimulate thought about the issues but not such a definitive route map, which may suggest that the City Council has decided the outcome already.

- 5.3 The proposed material is set out in the Options Framework (Appendix B). It divides into 4 workshop themes:
- Growth
 - Use & Function
 - Movement
 - Quality & Safety of Environment
- 5.4 For each theme, a range of background influences are set out. These include drivers for change, UDP issues, new national government policy, evidence of change on the ground, identified issues and other policy documents and strategies. They are intended to bring together all relevant factors from which a set of key questions are drawn. These key questions are intended to stimulate the generation of proposed options, which will provide the focus & shape for the emerging city centre plan.
- 5.5 The Options Framework set out in Appendix B may be further refined as evidence of the city centre emerges and its information re-packaged and tailored to suit the particular engagement activity.

6 SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL

- 6.1 As part of the new planning system, all development plan documents have to be subject to sustainability appraisal. The first stage of sustainability appraisal is preparation of a “scoping report” which seeks to identify the range of sustainability issues that are important and the sustainability objectives, which will be used to measure the sustainability of the proposed Development Plan Document. A draft Scoping Report is included as Appendix C, and will be made available as part of the consultation activity set out in this report.

7 CONCLUSION

- 7.1 This report, with appendices A & B, sets out in detail the proposed consultation programme and consultation material to satisfy the Regulation 25 stage of Development Plan Document preparation. It also puts forward the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report for Member consideration.

8 RECOMMENDATION

- 8.1 The Development Plan Panel is requested to consider and comment as appropriate on:
- i) the consultation activity proposed to be used for the Regulation 25 stage of plan preparation, as set out in this report and Appendix A, the “Consultation Programme”
 - ii) the material for consultation as set out in this report and Appendix B, the “Options Framework”
 - iii) the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (Appendix C)

Development Plan Panel Appendix A -Consultation Programme

nb Development Plan Panel Appendices “B” & “C” not included here. Appendix “B” sets out the 4 themed option frameworks. Appendix “C” is the sustainability appraisal scoping report.

Residents

Relevant city centre housing forums
Relevant city centre resident associations
Relevant city centre tenants groups
Relevant city centre Ward forums

This will also include those city centre fringe groups/organisations sharing a boundary with the city centre i.e. Little Woodhouse Community Association, Hyde Park and Woodhouse Community Forum

Visitors

Detailed examination of the City Centre User Perception Survey conducted in 2004 considers the views and experiences of various visitors, users and occasional users of the city centre; tourists, workers, shoppers, entertainment customers etc.

Business

Leeds Property Forum
House Builders Federation
Freight Transport Authority
CBI Local Branch
Chamber of Commerce
Post Office Property Holdings
Network Rail
Gas Companies/Transco
Telecommunications companies
Church Commissioners
Hotel Operators
Retailers
Leisure, Entertainment & Arts Operators
Licensed Premises
British Waterways

Hard to Reach (Minority Representation Groups)

Leeds Voice
Leeds Race Equality Advisory Forum (meets annual)
Chinese Community
Leeds Women’s Advisory Group
Leeds Youth Council
Leeds Older People’s Forum
Leeds Access Advisory Group

Leeds Voluntary Sector Learning & Disability Forum
Leeds Voluntary Sector Mental Health Forum

Environmental Interest
English Nature
Countryside Agency
English Heritage
Environment Agency
Leeds Civic Trust
CABE
Centre for Ecology & Hydrology
Friends of the Earth
Sustrans
Victorian Society West Yorkshire Group
Twentieth Century Society

Organised networks

Leeds Initiative network
Leeds Community Safety Partnership
South Area Management Committee (Inner)

Other Government/Statutory

Adjoining local authorities
Yorkshire Forward
Government Office for Yorkshire and Humberside
Yorkshire & Humber Assembly
Regional Housing Board
Highways Agency
Strategic Health Authority
Fire & Rescue Services
Strategic Rail Authority
Police Architectural Liaison
HM Prison Service
Universities
Metro

Consultation & Engagement Arrangements

The groups listed above are identified as having an interest in the future planning of Leeds city centre. The list has been distilled from the groups identified in the Leeds Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). Some groups have an obvious interest, others are included because they could possibly have an interest and should therefore be informed just in case.

In deciding consultation approaches, it is essential to note that there will be 3 stages for consultation.

Stage 1 (June-Oct 2005) involves presentation of issues and evidence & invites participants to help draw up objectives & options for the future planning of the city centre. Consultation and engagement will involve presentations,

attendance at meetings, workshops, preparation and distribution of publicity material.

Stage 2 (Feb-March 2006) involves seeking views and comment on the objectives & options drawn up in through Stage 1. This consultation is likely to involve a combination of meetings, facilitated discussion but also mailing out & e-mailing written proposals for comment and placing proposals on the Leeds Website for comment. Would involve publicity through local media.

Stage 3 follows submission of the proposed CCAP to the Secretary of State (Oct 2006) and is the formal 6 week consultation stage where the public is invited to make comments, which would then be considered by an independent government inspector.

Proposals

Residents

Stage 1 – approach University of Leeds to use their list of residents who attended a presentation of city centre housing research. Send background material and invite representatives to send comments or attend workshop sessions for Stage 1. They will also be urged to inform their neighbours & friends. Send objectives/options paper for comment during Stage 2.

Planning Officer to offer to attend relevant Housing Forum and Ward Committee meetings which fall during the Stage 1 & Stage 2 consultation periods.

Business

Stage 1 - to the organisations & forums listed above, send background material and invite representatives to attend workshop sessions for Stage 1.

Stage 2 - send objectives/options paper for comment.

Planning Officer to offer to attend any appropriate Leeds Initiative & Property Forum meetings, which fall during the Stage 1 & Stage 2 consultation periods.

Hard to Reach – To the organisations & forums listed above, send background material and invite representatives to attend workshop sessions for Stage 1. Send objectives/options paper for comment during Stage 2.

Planning Officer to offer to attend any appropriate forum meetings which fall during the Stage 1 & Stage 2 consultation periods.

Environmental Interest Groups – To the organisations & forums listed above, send background material and invite representatives to attend workshop sessions for Stage 1. Send objectives/options paper for comment during Stage 2.

Other Government – To the other councils, government bodies & statutory agencies listed above, send background material and invite representatives to attend workshop sessions for Stage 1. Send objectives/options paper for comment during Stage 2.

Leeds Initiative – Planning Officers to arrange to attend appropriate meetings of the network during Stages 1 & 2. Stage 1 meetings will be organised to facilitate discussion to help generate options.

Website

For Stage 1, the LCC website will be used to present background material, the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and publicity for Workshop events.

For Stage 2, the website will promote availability and increase accessibility of the Options Report and the interim Sustainability Appraisal Report.

Local newspapers, radio & TV

Where appropriate to notify a wider audience, the city council's press office will be used to alert the local media about consultation activity, offer material for news items/articles and set up interviews.

Illustrative Material – wherever appropriate, maps, photographs, graphs & diagrams will be used in written material and on the website to help illustrate issues of concern.

Appendix C: June 05 Consultation packs sent to 80 organisations including the following :

Parish Councils
Age Concern Leeds
British Telecom
British Waterways NE & NW Region
C P R E Leeds District Group
CABE
CBI Yorkshire & Humber
Church Commissioners
Commission for Racial Equality
Countryside Agency, Yorkshire & The Humber
English Heritage
English Nature
Environment Agency
Environment Agency, Ridings Area Office
Friends of the Earth
Government Office for Yorkshire & the Humber
Highways Agency
Leeds Bradford International Airport Ltd
Leeds Chamber of Commerce & Industry
Leeds Civic Trust
Leeds Environmental Forum
Leeds Property Forum
Leeds Youth Council
National Grid Transco
Network Railtrack
Police Architectural Liaison Officer
Royal Mail Property Holdings
Sport England
Strategic Rail Authority
The General Infirmary in Leeds NHS Trust
The House Builders' Federation
Transco
West Yorkshire Fire Service
West Yorkshire Metropolitan Ambulance Service NHS Trust
West Yorkshire Police
WYPTE
Yorkshire and Humber Assembly
Yorkshire Electricity
Yorkshire Forward
Adjacent Local Authorities:
 Bradford Metropolitan District Council
 Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council

 Harrogate Borough Council
 Kirklees Metropolitan Council
 North Yorkshire County Council
 Selby District Council
 Wakefield MDC
 City of York Council

East Leeds Area Housing Manager (N&H)
Early Years Unit, Education Leeds
Burley Youth Club
Headingley Network (community group mail merge recipient no 1)

LETTER ONLY – NO DOCUMENTS

63 hard to reach groups inc Age Concern, Kaleidoscope etc

Appendix Di – Standard Letters



Development Department
Jean Dent, Director

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Leeds LS2 8HD**

If telephoning ask for **Robin Coghlan**
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Development Enquiry Centre **(0113) 2478000**
Fax **(0113) 247 6484**
Minicom **(0113) 2474305**
robin.coghlan@leeds.gov.uk

Your Ref:

Our Ref:

Date:

Dear "Insert Salutation"

LEEDS LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK - CITY CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN

I write to inform you that Leeds City Council is now undertaking early consultation on the above document.

The **CITY CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN** document is accompanied by a **SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL SCOPING REPORT**. So in total, you have two separate documents to consider. These are summarised below.

The **City Centre Area Action Plan (CCAAP)** will set out new planning policies to influence the future shape of the city centre in terms of new buildings, growth, connectivity, spaces and environment. It will replace chapter 13 of the Unitary Development Plan. As this is the first stage of preparation of the plan, the material enclosed in the pack provides background information about influences & issues and raises a series of questions. This consultation is asking whether the issues & questions identified are the right ones to take forward.

We have arranged 4 workshops to explore aims & options around four themes which you or representatives from your organisation might like to attend:

Growth	9.30 – 12.30 Tues 27 th September
Use & Function	1.30 – 4.30 Tues 27 th September
Movement	9.30 – 12.30 Wed 28 th September
Quality & Safety of Environment	1.30 – 4.30 Wed 28 th September

Attendance is by written invitation only. If you would like to attend, please complete the form in the pack and contact Liz Hardwick on 0113 247 8085 or ldf@leeds.gov.uk

The CCAAP is accompanied by a **Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report**. This sets out the issues and objectives that we believe are important to enable the sustainability of the policy proposals to be measured & appraised. Your views are welcome on whether we have got the scoping right.

You can make comments on both documents by completing the corresponding response forms and sending to *LDF Consultation, Planning & Economic Policy, Development Dept, Leeds City Council, Leonardo Building, 2 Rossington St, Leeds LS2 8HD*. Alternatively, you can respond online at www.leeds.gov.uk (search for Leeds Development Framework) or you may wish to e-mail, fax or telephone your comments. Special arrangements can be made to translate the document into any language (free of charge) by telephoning 247 8092. If you have other special communication needs please contact my assistant Ian Mackay on 247 8090 who will be pleased to assist.

In the meantime feel free to contact the following Officers to discuss any aspect of these documents further:

CCAAP
0113 247 8087
Scoping Report

Robin Coghlan, tel 0113 247 8131 or Chris Bolam, tel
Paul Bingham, tel 0113 247 8203

Yours sincerely

David Feeney
Head of Planning & Economic Policy



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CITY COUNCIL

G Steedman

Ocean Youth Trust (North East)
5 Allerton Grange Gardens

Leeds
LS17 6LL

Jean Dent, Director

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Enquiry Centre **(0113) 2478000**
Fax **(0113) 247 6484**
Minicom **(0113) 2474305**
robin.coghlan@leeds.gov.uk

Your Ref:

Our Ref: CB/LPW/ccaap

Date: 21 July 2005

Dear G Steedman

DEVELOPMENT OF LEEDS

I am writing to ask you what you think about new documents which Leeds City Council needs to write about future development in different areas of the Leeds district.

The **City Centre Area Action Plan** will set out new planning policies to influence the future shape of the city centre in terms of new buildings, growth, connections, spaces and environment. As this is the first stage in preparing a new plan, the council is asking you to have an early say by commenting on a consultation pack.

All the documents in the consultation pack are available separately on this section of www.leeds.gov.uk/ldf. If you do not have web access please get in contact with Vash Bodayat on Leeds 2478092 and he can send you a copy of the pack.

This document will tackle the important issues facing the future development of Leeds City Centre. If you are interested in growth of the city centre, the services it offers, better public transport access, car parking, public safety, green open spaces, making best use of the river, location of new entertainment venues and shopping to name a few then you will be interested in helping to write this document.

As well as consulting on this action plan, the council is also asking for comments on another new document.

The **Statement of Community Involvement** is the Council's statement on how we will engage and consult on all new planning or development documents, as well as on major and controversial planning applications. We are asking a number of groups to comment on the draft document before we consult more widely and formally during November 2005.

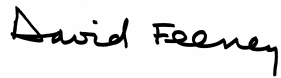
Special arrangements can be made to translate the documents into any language (free of charge) by telephoning 247 8092.

If you are aware of others who may be interested in these documents, please let me know and I will send them a copy of this letter.

We actively support people seeking independent advice. You may be able to get free advice from Yorkshire Planning Aid who are an independent organisation from the city council and specialise in helping disadvantaged groups and communities. Contact Mike Dando on 01943 465870 to see if he can help.

In the meantime feel free to contact Robin Coghlan on Leeds 247 8131 if you would like to discuss any aspect of these documents further.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Feeney". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'D'.

David Feeney
Head of Planning & Economic Policy

Dear City Centre Resident

CITY CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN

This is a follow-up letter from the one sent earlier in the summer and stems originally from your attendance at the University of Leeds to listen to the results of the city centre resident's survey in May.

I am writing to you at the request of the city council to bring to your attention the current consultation on the **City Centre Area Action Plan** and encourage your involvement.

The **City Centre Area Action Plan (CCAAP)** will provide new planning policies to influence the future shape of the city centre in terms of new buildings, growth, connectivity, spaces and environment. Of particular interest, it will look at what role residential use should play in the growth of the city centre and sufficiency of facilities.

The council have arranged 4 workshops to explore aims & options around four themes which you might like to attend:

Growth	9.30 – 12.30 Tues 27 th September
Use & Function	1.30 – 4.30 Tues 27 th September
Movement	9.30 – 12.30 Wed 28 th September
Quality & Safety of Environment	1.30 – 4.30 Wed 28 th September

Further details are available on the Leeds City Council website www.leeds.gov/ldf. The use & function workshop will have a discussion group specifically about city centre housing, and the growth workshop will consider the balance of residential & office growth on future development sites, but the other workshops may be of interest too. There is a free lunch available for both morning & afternoon participants.

Attendance must be confirmed in advance as there are a limited number of places. If you would like to attend, please contact Liz Hardwick on 0113 247 8085 or e-mail ldf@leeds.gov.uk saying which session and whether you would like lunch

If you are unable to attend the daytime workshops, there will be a more general presentation about the CCAAP at the Civic Hall on Monday 10th October 7-9pm. Again, you will need to confirm your attendance in advance through Liz Hardwick, as above.

Thanks,

Yours

Appendix Dii: Community Group List

Headingley Network
Woodsley Road Community Centre
Early Years Development Unit
Ireland Wood Library
British Conservation Society
Indian Womens Association
Leeds Muslim Council
St Johns Estate Tenants Association
Neighbourhood Housing Office
Little London Housing Office
West Park Resource Centre
Gardeners' Friday Forum Group
Leeds Independent Living Team
SPACE Project
Burley NHO
Figure It Out Club - MIND
Foundation Housing
Cragside Close
Leeds Federated Housing Association
Active 4 Life
Salvation Army Youth Club
Leeds Citizens Advice Bureau
Chair of Governors, Royal Park Primary School
Community Projects Officer
Hyde Park Times
Leeds Morris Men
Leeds Involvement Project
CASAC
British Trust for Conservation Volunteers (BTCV)
Woodsley Road Elders Association
Leeds Black Health Forum
The Grove
Cardigan Centre
VOICE
Leeds Health for All
Guide Dogs for the Blind Association
Aireings Publications
Burley Youth Club
Leeds Homeopathy Group
Leeds Construction and Training Agency
Unity
Spennings Hill Residents Association
Hindu Youth Temple
Partners in Change
Spring Bank Primary School
Meanwood Holy Trinity Church Council
Kirkstall Village Community Association
Youth Service
Youth Service
Student & Community Affairs Officer
SHCA
North Hyde Park Neighbourhood
Assumption of Our Lady
Leeds Older People's Community Care Forum
Women's Health Matters
St Augustines Church
Community Action Little London
Community Worker
I Too Project
Leeds Islamic Centre
South Headingley Community Association
Kirkstall Valley Sustainable Devel Group
Apna Day Centre
Leeds Community Enterprise Consortium
Headingley Network
West Park Fields Environmental Group
ESOL Project
Headingley Village Townswomen's Guild
Woodhouse Methodist Church
Hyde Park Unity Day
Headingley Network C A
Regenerate
Woodhouse Day Centre
Leeds Met (Community Action)
VOICE
Community Training Company
International Voluntary Service - Leeds (IVS)
Spennings Lane & Moor Grange Residents Association
Research into Mobility and Ethnic Population
LWCA
Lynton Croft Residents Association
Area Housing Manager
Burley Family Support Unit
Regenerate
Alma Road Neighbourhood Watch
Leeds Health Promotion Service, Mill House
Breakers Unify
Hawthorn Wood YMCA
Chair, Cragside LFHA (Senior)
St Martin's Neighbourhood Watch
Leeds Gingerbread
Rosebank Primary School
Spennings Lane & West Park Residents Association
Kirkstall Valley Ranger
Kirkstall Juniors
Woodhouse Christian Fellowship Church
Queenswood Heights Tenants Association,
Resourcing the Community
Headingley Badminton Club
Community Against Drugs Team
MENA, Meanwood Community Centre
Hawthorn Wood Methodist Church
Burley & Hyde Park Community Safety Project
CALLS
Burley Park Family Nursery

Youth Point
Revive Fellowship
Little Woodhouse Community Centre
Far Headingley Village Society
Women of Woodhouse
Headingley Network
Cardigan Centre
Bethel Elderly Day Care Centre
SRB Unit
Meanwood Christian Community
Anti Social Behaviour Unit
Weetwood Residents Association
Far Headingley Village Society
Neighbourhood Warden
Hawthorn Youth Forum
United Reformed Church
West Park Fields Environmental Group
Barnados Leeds Accommodation Project
and Nightstop
Woodhouse Tenants Association
Leeds Reach
Older Active People
Mother Tongue Group
Anti Racist Youth Work Team
Black Elders
Tenants Involvement Committee
Turnaways & Laurel Bank Residents
Group
Hyde Park Residents Association
Woodhouse Ridge Action Group
Youth Point
Unipol Students Homes
Ridings H.A.
Leeds Carers Centre
Leeds Health Focus
Kirkstall Village Community Association
Spennings Residents Association
Kirkstall Village Campaign
Abbey Runners

RNIB
Education Leeds Study Support
Selhal Housing
Chantry H.A.
Caring Together in Woodhouse & Little
London
Highwood Residents Association
Kirkstall Woods Ranger
St Michaels and All Angels
LCMA
Beecroft and Sacred Heart After School
Club
Abbey Light Railway
RMU
Woodhouse Ridge Action Group
Surestart
Leeds Muslim Council
Hooper Kelah
Youth Point
St Michaels and All Angels
St Michael's Lane Hostel
Spennings & West Park Residents
Association
LARCH
Parent Partnership Service
Hyde Park Source
Yorkshire Orienteering Association
Rosebank Millennium Green Trust
Community Green Spaces
Leeds Crisis Centre
Queenswood Heights Tenants Association
LILT
Association of Blind Elders
Beckett Park Community Association
Hyde Park Business Association
Kirkstall Crusaders JFC
People In Action
VOICE

Appendix E – September 05, Workshop Attendees

Growth Workshop

Andrew Wintersgill David Lock Associates
Bhupinder Dev White Young Green Planning –Chartered Planner
Bruce Hartley Leeds Guide - MD
Amy Hughes Leeds Guide – Editorial Assistant
Sonja Swift Environment Agency
Lucy Mitchell Yorkshire Forward – Sustainable Development Manager
Tom Cook Sanderson Weatherall – Senior Planner
Geoff Miller DLA Architecture – Architect/Urban Designer
David White Leeds Chamber of Commerce
Dr Rachael Unsworth University of Leeds – School of Geography
Helen Buttery DLA Architects – Urban Designer/Landscape Architect
Martin Wood DLA Architects – Architect
Gordon Carey Carey Jones Architects – Chairman
Paul Kendall LCC – Planning Services
Barry Moy LCC City Centre Management
Norman Taylor Shadwell Parish Council
Richard Nield Dialog – Business Support Manager
Keith Williams LCC - Architect – Civic Architects Office
Sarah Weaver British Waterways – S O R M Partnership Project Co-ordinator
Kevin Grady Leeds Civic Trust
Cllr Richard Brett LCC - Burmantofts & Richmond Hill ward
Ken Weightman Chair, Lincoln Green tenants & residents association
Clive Brook Head of Planning, Dacre Sons & Hartley
Harry Rice (provisional) Mentor group
Rob Wright Architecture 2B
Victoria Uttley Centre Manager, St Johns Centre
Jim Ramsay Indigo Planning
Kirsty Howard S Leeds PCT
Dr John Dickinson Weetwood Residents Association
Michael Romagnoli LCC – Legal - Licensing
Nicola Raper LCC – Legal - Licensing
Yasin Raja LCC FACILITATOR
Chris Tebbutt LCC – Team Leader, Economic Policy FACILITATOR
Alan Taylor LCC FACILITATOR
Chris Bolam LCC – Senior Planner FACILITATOR
Robin Coghlan LCC – Team Leader, Policy FACILITATOR
David Feeney LCC – Head of Planning & Economic Policy
Terry Smith LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
Kathryn Skinner LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
Nazreen Yunis LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER

Use & Function Workshop

Dr Richard Tyler Leeds HMO lobby – Co-ordinator
Andrew Wintersgill David Lock Associates
Bhupinder Dev White Young Green Planning –Chartered Planner
Andrew Macgill Head of Arts & Events
Bruce Hartley Leeds Guide - MD
Amy Hughes Leeds Guide – Editorial Assistant
Sonja Swift Environment Agency
Richard Griffiths Yorkshire Forward
Frank O'Malley Leeds Play Network – Business Co-ordinator
Tom Cook Sanderson Weatherall – Senior Planner
Helen Buttery DLA Architects – Urban Designer/Landscape Architect
Martin Wood DLA Architects – Architect

Ernie Gray LCC – Housing Strategy Manager
 Laura Kripp LCC – Asset & Development Manager, NHD
 Gordon Carey Carey Jones Architects – Chairman
 Daljit Singh LCC – Planning Services
 Sarah McMahon LCC – Planning Services
 Barry Moy LCC City Centre Management
 Brian Matthews Federation of Blind
 Norman Taylor Shadwell Parish Council
 Richard Nield Dialog – Business Support Manager
 Sarah Weaver British Waterways – S O R M Partnership Project Co-ordinator
 Kevin Grady Leeds Civic Trust
 Ken Weightman Chair, Lincoln Green tenants & residents association
 Carole Wigley Access Advisory Group
 Harry Rice (provisional) Mentor group
 Tony Goodall Leeds NE PCT – Safer Leeds – Alcohol strategy Lead
 Nick Brown Architecture 2B
 Rebecca Boon LCC – Project Officer, W Leeds Area Management, Pudsey
 Victoria Uttley Centre Manager, St Johns Centre
 Jim Ramsay Indigo Planning
 Janette Munton S Leeds PCT – Assistant Director of Public Health
 Kirsty Howard S Leeds PCT – Primary Care Development Manager
 Dr John Dickinson Weetwood Residents Association
 Yasin Raja LCC FACILITATOR
 Alan Taylor LCC FACILITATOR
 Helen Miller LCC FACILITATOR
 Lois Pickering LCC FACILITATOR
 Anup Sharma LCC FACILITATOR
 Chris Bolam LCC – Senior Planner FACILITATOR
 Robin Coghlan LCC – Team Leader, Policy FACILITATOR
 Paul Bingham LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
 Kathryn Skinner LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
 Janet Howrie LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
 Jo Hoskin LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
 John Townsend LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
 Mark Burgess LCC - SDU
 Michael Romagnoli LCC – Legal Services – Project Officer, Entertainment Licensing
 Nicola Raper LCC – Legal Services – Section Head, Licensing
 Richard Shaw LCC – Planner
 Judith Smalley Access office NOTE TAKER

Movement Workshop

Andrew Wintersgill David Lock Associates
 Bruce Hartley Leeds Guide – MD
 Amy Hughes Leeds Guide – Editorial Assistant
 David Hall Sustrans – Regional Manager
 Sonja Swift Environment Agency
 Richard Griffiths Yorkshire Forward
 Councillor Liz Minkin LCC
 Megan Godsell LCC – Affordable Housing Manager
 Helen Buttery DLA Architects – Urban Designer/Landscape Architect
 Martin Wood DLA Architects - Architect
 Phil Brock LCC – Senior Planner
 Natalie Fleming LCC - Planner
 Keith Williams LCC – Architect, Civic Architects Office
 Alan Simson LMU - Reader in Landscape Architecture + Urban Forestry / Chair
 Brian Matthews Federation of Blind
 Susan Chesters Chair, Leeds Older People's Forum
 Tim Parry LCC – Cycling & Pedestrian Officer
 David Hick Leeds Civic Trust
 Councillor Richard Brett LCC - Burmantofts & Richmond Hill ward

Carole Wigley Access Advisory Group
 Norman Taylor Shadwell Parish Council
 Jack Robins Access Advisory Council
 Rob Wright Architecture 2B
 Jim Ramsay Indigo Planning
 Ben Margolis Oxfam/Green Action
 Dr John Dickinson Weetwood Residents Association
 Carole Clark LCC – Area Management Officer, N & H, Pudsey
 Steve Falconer LCC – Chief Engineer, Urban Traffic Control
 Colin Mawhinney LCC - Head Of Regeneration Support NB Arriving 10a.m.
 Rob Matley LCC – Deputy City Centre Manager
 Andrew Hall LCC – Transport Policy Manager FACILITATOR
 Dave Sherborne LCC – Road Casualty Reduction Manager FACILITATOR
 Gwyn Owen LCC – Senior Transport Planner FACILITATOR
 Chris Bolam LCC – Project Manager
 Robin Coghlan LCC – Team Leader, Policy FACILITATOR
 Louise Holliday LCC – Transport Planner NOTE TAKER
 Yasin Raja LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER

Environment Workshop

Ian Smith English Heritage – Regional Planner
 Andrew Wintersgill David Lock Associates
 Bruce Hartley Leeds Guide – MD
 Amy Hughes Leeds Guide – Editorial Assistant
 Sonja Swift Environment Agency
 Lucy Mitchell Yorkshire Forward – Sustainable Development Manager
 Mike Kinnaird LCC – Recreation Projects Manager, Parks and Countryside
 Councillor Liz Minkin LCC
 Tom Cook Sanderson Weatherall – Senior Planner
 Megan Godsell LCC – Affordable Housing Manager
 Helen Buttery DLA Architects – Urban Designer/Landscape Architect
 Martin Wood DLA Architects - Architect
 Chris Briggs LCC - Planner
 Johnnie Briggs LCC Youth Service – City Centre Project Officer
 Alan Simson LMU - Reader in Landscape Architecture + Urban Forestry
 Susan Chesters Chair, Leeds Older People's Forum
 Sarah Weaver British Waterways – S O R M Partnership Project Co-ordinator
 Dr Tom Knowland LCC – Head of Sustainable Development
 Peter Baker Leeds Civic Trust
 Cllr Richard Brett LCC - Burmantofts & Richmond Hill ward
 Mike Simpkin LCC – Public Health Strategy Manager
 Norman Taylor Shadwell Parish Council
 Jack Robins Access Advisory forum
 John Thorp LCC – Civic Architect
 Nick Brown Architecture 2B
 Inspector Archer Chapeltown Police Station
 Jim Ramsay Indigo Planning
 Ben Margolis Oxfam/Green Action
 Janette Munton S Leeds PCT – Assistant Director of Public Health
 Dr John Dickinson Weetwood Residents Association
 Rachel Swindells Children Leeds Partnership – Children & Young People Participation
 Co-ordinator
 Heather Moore LCC–Social Services –Outreach Worker for the visually impaired
 Rowena Hall LCC -Executive Manager Specialist Project
 Rob Matley LCC – Deputy City Centre Manager FACILITATOR
 Mark Burgess LCC – Team Leader, Design FACILITATOR
 Richard Taylor LCC – Team Leader, Conservation FACILITATOR
 Rob Murphy LCC – Team Leader, Conservation FACILITATOR
 Nigel Lees LCC - Team Leader, Landscape FACILITATOR

Pippa Milne LCC – Recycling & Waste Manger, City Services FACILITATOR
Sue Williams LCC – Environment City Manager FACILITATOR
Chris Bolam LCC – Project Manager FACILITATOR
Robin Coghlan LCC – Team Leader, Policy FACILITATOR
David Feeney LCC- Head of Planning & Economic Policy
Yasin Raja LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
Jason Green LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
Brian Pearson LCC – Planner NOTE TAKER
Jan Belton LCC – Nature Conservation Officer
Helen Miller LCC – Senior Planner NOTE TAKER



AGENDA
ITEM NO.:

Originator: Chris Bolam

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

MEETING: AREA COMMITTEE (INNER)

DATE : September 2005

SUBJECT : Leeds Local Development Framework: City Centre Area Action Plan

<p>Electoral Wards Affected:</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">All inner area</p>	<p>Specific Implications For:</p> <p>Ethnic Minorities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Women <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Disabled people <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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(details contained in the report)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to involve the inner area committee in the first stage of consultation on the emerging City Centre Area Action Plan and to inform the committee on the preparation of a Leeds Local Development Framework which will eventually replace the Leeds Unitary Development Plan.

Officers are seeking members comments on the consultation material and a nominee from the Area Committee to represent them at consultation workshops being held in late September. A council planning officer will be in attendance at the Area Committee meeting to answer questions.

1.0 BACKGROUND

What is the CITY CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN?

1.1 It is part of the new development plan for Leeds known as the Local Development Framework. This framework, which will be a collection of documents, will eventually replace the current planning document for

Leeds; the Leeds Unitary Development Plan. The City Centre Area Action Plan needs to be prepared with 3 stages of public consultation.

- 1.2 At this first stage the Council is seeking assistance to create policy OPTIONS on the most important issues facing future development of the city centre. The first stage consultation material will be distributed at the committee meeting. At the second stage, during February & March 2006, the Council will consult more widely on the agreed OPTIONS. It is expected that a draft action plan will be ready for stage 3 public consultation in 2007.

What will the CITY CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN do?

- 1.3 It will replace the city centre planning policies (Chapter 13) of the Unitary Development Plan. The broad role of this new plan will be providing the planning policies for a co-ordinated approach to the spatial planning and if appropriate, expansion of the City Centre, ensuring that the City Centre continues to deliver economic, environmental and social objectives at the heart of the City Region.

What does this mean to the Communities of East Leeds?

- 1.4 One of the main aims of the Vision for Leeds 2004 to 2020 is narrowing the gap between the most disadvantaged people and communities and the rest of the city. The volume of development in the city centre over recent years is witness to the success of this area. However, a major challenge for the City Centre Area Action Plan is how to spread the benefits of a growing and prosperous city centre to the established communities of Saxton Gardens, Cavalier Hill, Richmond Hill and Ebor Gardens to name a few. The linkages between these areas and the city centre need to be improved. In addition, these community's proximity to the city centre means they are reliant on the city to provide employment and some key services such as health, shopping and entertainment. The action plan will set the land use policies that will determine how existing employment premises on the edge of the city centre are redeveloped (or not) and the location of other services throughout the city centre.
- 1.5 As the EASEL regeneration area incorporates some of the communities listed above it is important to ensure the two action plans complement each other.

How can people get involved?

- 1.6 The City Council will be consulting individuals, groups and organisations with an interest in Leeds city centre from June – September 2005 on initial ideas for the City Centre Area Action Plan. In particular, workshops are to be held to explore aims & options around four themes which representatives from the committee might like to attend:

Growth	9.30 – 12.30 Tues 27 th September
Use & Function	1.30 – 4.30 Tues 27 th September
Movement	9.30 – 12.30 Wed 28 th September

Quality & Safety of Environment 1.30 – 4.30 Wed 28th September

- 1.7 To help people understand the background and issues involved, a consultation pack has been prepared, which includes four theme factsheets. For each theme, a range of background influences are set out. These include drivers for change, Unitary Development Plan issues, new national government policy, evidence of change on the ground, identified issues and other relevant policy documents and strategies. They are intended to bring together all relevant factors from which a set of key questions are drawn. These key questions are intended to stimulate the generation of proposed options, which will provide the focus & shape for the emerging city centre plan.
- 1.8 To make comments in writing, please use the response forms in the consultation pack. For greater detail, further background information is available on the council's web site (www.leeds.gov.uk/ldf) or by contacting Robin Coghlan on 0113 247 8131 or robin.coghlan@leeds.gov.uk.

What is a Sustainability Scoping Report

- 1.9 All development plan documents have to be subject to a sustainability appraisal. The first stage of a sustainability appraisal is preparation of a "scoping report". This document seeks to identify the range of sustainability issues that are important and the sustainability objectives, which will be used to measure the sustainability of the action plan. This document is available on request.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The committee is requested to:
 - Nominate a representative/s to attend the September workshops; and
 - consider and comment as appropriate on the City Centre Area Action Plan consultation pack.

Appendix G – Meetings Attended to present the CCAAP – Summer 2005

Leeds Arts Partnership May 2005 – 16.20

Clarification sought about purpose of consultation. Purpose to raise awareness & understanding about the CCAAP and the Arts Partnership are being asked to send representatives to the Workshops in September. The difference between this document and the Leeds City Centre Management Strategy was clarified.

Leeds Environment City Partnership – 14 June 2005 17.00

Questioned over scope of the public consultation at this stage
Use of existing data – responses from the vision ii consultation – over 30,000 responses
The priorities of the Environmental Partnership should be reflected in the questions and documentation
Questioned whether targeted consultation was sufficient for stage 1 although one member did support the councils approach
The timing of the workshops during the day was queried and whether this really offered public consultation and access to information by everyone
Use should be made of the civic newspaper
Was the documentation going to appear on the web – could the link be sent to the Leeds Initiative (Martin Dean) to also encourage access to the information

The Urban Design Forum (City Council, Development Dept) 17/6/05

Suggestion for the Chamber of Commerce & the Property Forum to be formally invited to the workshops in September. Richard Mansell, Chief Exec of the Ch of Commerce should be written to asking to invite representatives.

Inner North West Area Committee, 7.00pm 30 June 2005

Short report on the agenda papers. No questions regarding the city centre action plan.

Queried the lack of intention to prepare an action plan for Headingley or Kirkstall Road or other areas in the North West inner area. Responded that the LDS was the vehicle that sets out which plans are being prepared. This is a document which is reviewed annually. However, major factor was staff resources and plans were being prepared in order of city wide priorities bearing those factors in mind.

The Leeds Initiative Narrowing the Gap Executive 12/7/05

Presentation on CCAAP squeezed off agenda; Leeds Initiative committed to distribute the Reg 25 “Pack” to members as an alternative.

The Leeds Initiative Going Up a League Executive 13/7/05

Some exploration of how the CCAAP will sit with the CCStrategy2006-10, with the Leeds Renaissance Partnership Business Plan April 2005 and the Narrowing the Gap Action Plan 2005-8.

Leeds Cycling Forum 6.15pm 13 July 2005

Consultation pack distributed and short presentation on the LDF and the CCAAP given. No questions regarding the actual material.

Questioned why the city centre had to suffer such large highway infrastructure for those just travelling through. Forum hoped that the needs of residents in the city centre will be recognised.

Questioned how the AAP will relate to the second Local Transport Plan 2006-10.

Queried the concept of continued growth and the impact this may have on other towns and cities in the region (investment). The basis of the RSS in relation to this issue was questioned and regarded as flawed.

Why was the council beginning an AAP for the city centre when the supertram remains undecided?

South Leeds Primary Care Trust – 24/8/05, Navigation House, Hunslet

Exploration of the changing nature of GP services with issues of opening hours, registration by place of work rather than home address, polarisation of customer needs in inner city & city centre.

Need for primary health care services from growing city centre population. Department of Health has plans for two "Walk-in-Centres", one at the Leeds General Infirmary and one close to the train station. South Leeds PCT have ambition for a new GP health centre in the southern part of the city centre, possibly Holbeck.

Leeds East Homes Tennant Forum Sat 3rd Sep – presentation & discussion

– issues raised included lack of integration with CC, surrounding communities haven't been consulted on development in CC, not enough affordable housing, little sign of benefit of development cascading down into inner city, need for maintenance of new facilities, need to tap into development value generated & use money to improve facilities (particularly health) in surrounding communities, need to make CC more accessible with more car parking, more flyovers needed to keep traffic flowing.

North East Area Committee (Inner) Monday 5th Sept 4pm presentation and

took questions. Query from Young Services over involving young people in preparing the document – Neil Bowden (tel: 2145852) offered their services to assist engagement of young people. This stimulated additional comments from other members with suggestions for other groups who should be encouraged to get involved: Youth Council, Leeds Children's Rights and Leeds Involvement Project.

Tue 6th - East Inner Area Committee – presentation & discussion

Two minutes at end of agenda. Criticism that material was not circulated prior to the meeting. Members of Committee were invited to make written comments and to attend Workshops at end of September. Committee

Members were also asked to inform local people associated with the East Inner Area Committee.

Keeping an Eye on Leeds (Leeds Voice - Environmental Forum) 6th Sept '05 7.15 pm Civic – Distributed 17 copies of consultation pack. Development and growth of the city centre should not be at the expense of the rest of the city. How will the growth and prosperity of the city centre contribute to regeneration and improvement of established communities at the fringe of the city centre? Closing the gap. There has been an explosion of food and drink and clubs in the city – there needs to be moderation. Is the number of Environmental Health Officers keeping pace with the number of food and drink outlets. There needs to be an increase in the space available to store refuse prior to collection. These areas are often too small and cause a health hazard. Concern over the lack of planning gain from development in the city centre to improve the public realm. What development tax / income does the city council receive from city centre developments? Why should council tax payers fund these city centre improvements when private businesses benefit?

There is no mention of noise pollution in the consultation pack – this needs to be tackled. Are roof gardens an option to increase greenspace in the city centre from new development – would these be open to the public as public greenspace. How will the comments from these meetings, the workshops and the feedback from the consultation exercises be used and acted upon to develop policies for the new plan? How will the plan promote renewable energies through development ie. 10% of energy consumed by the development must be from renewable sources? This is a policy being taken up by other authorities eg. Kirklees. If in the future, the council receives greenspace commuted sums from city centre developments will this be available only to spend in the city centre or will the area of spend be wider? At present there is concern that no developments of less than 0.5 ha contribute towards public space in the city centre.

Inner West Area Committee – 13/9/05 Presentation given of LDF context, CCAAP programme and emerging city centre issues. Cllrs Hanley & McKenna gave opinions on the quality of building design in the city centre. Cllr Hanley urged that digital technology be used to improve planning application decision making, including wider public input. The Committee agreed to identify (a) nominee(s) to attend the September Workshops.

Inner South Area Committee – 20/9/05 18.00 Very brief presentation given on the CCAAP and what it will be and could do. Cllr Nash was insistent that the Marsh Lane rail halt should be an issue, this was supported by Cllrs Davey and Iqbal. Cllr Gabriel in the chair complained of the short notice given for the workshops; less than a week between meeting and workshops. CB replied that he contacted area committee in May to attend previous meeting and there is an additional meeting on 10th October for members and community groups. Cllr Gabriel asked for proof of request to attend earlier meetings. Cllr Gabriel stated that we could not tick off consulting south Leeds just by turning up to this meeting. CB replied that many community groups in south Leeds had been sent letters offering officers to attend community

meetings. Mrs Fenton from Beeston Community Forum was interested in this offer but did not get a letter. CB took details. Other group representatives present did confirm they had received letters.

Housing Forum 16/9/05 Robin Coghlan gave a presentation on the Leeds Development Framework. A copy of the presentation was circulated to Members at the meeting.

It was noted that the Development Plan is a requirement of all Local Authorities in compliance with the Planning Act 2005.

Attendees were advised that there were a set of workshops taking place which will be broken down into the key themes of the Development Plan, Use and Function, Growth, Movement and Quality and Safety. Details of the workshops were circulated at the meeting.

It was noted that the Leeds City Centre Area Action Plan boundaries were not fixed and are and will be open to consultation.

Older People's Reference Group (Quaker Meeting House, Woodhouse Lane, 10/10/05)

Presentation of 4 themes given by Robin Coghlan. Comments made:

Use & Function – we should plan for more affordable and sheltered housing in the city centre. A proportion of older people would be very interested in city centre living if the right type of accommodation were available. Too many bars attracting hoards of young people. Not enough food shops (& the market should be safeguarded as a valuable shopping asset) & not enough free public conveniences. Should be more post offices.

Movement – better interchanges for public transport required. Need to explore greater use of electronic buggies (& the Mobility shop ought to be more central than the Merrion Centre) for trips from public transport nodes to other city centre locations. Need for more frequent bus services after 6pm. Too much traffic. The city council should look at Supertram alternatives such as park & ride.

Environment – need to create a better feeling of security with more CCTV cameras, there's a lack of green spaces, with only Park Sq offering a grassed park area, but need more places to sit down all over the city centre. The street furniture is unattractive and the tiling of landmark Leeds is dangerous, being slippery in wet weather and hazardous when uneven. Opening up of the waterside is considered valuable, but personal security needs to be considered.

APPENDIX H

CITY CENTRE AAP MEETING CONSULTATION 10 OCTOBER 2005 – 7 TO 9 PM – CIVIC HALL

Purpose: to find out what is important to people at the beginning of the process. Also national and regional policy guidance.

Growth
Use and function
Movement
Quality & Safety of the Environment

Growth

1. Business Growth)
2. New buildings) - Jobs
3. Office Space) Employment

4. New housing – Doesn't create permanent jobs

Pressures of new development in
Kirkstall Road
Mabgate
East Street

Issues about the boundaries of the City Centre

Crown Point has great potential for office development, because it can provide big footplates for big open plan offices. (Residential can go on smaller footplates and can go up high)

Another option is that you may consider we don't need any further growth.

Growth Councillor Guiseley/Rawdon

1. Is guidance really binding?
2. Offices can still go high?
3. Wouldn't expect to want growth we don't want.

Councillor J Illingworth – Kirkstall

Leeds shouldn't grow at the expense of other towns. Should look at the whole region. If Leeds grows and everybody comes to work in Leeds it will lead to more travel.

Tall Buildings Debate

Councillor Dunne

- q. How much will aspirations of local people be reflected in the plan?
- a. The views of local people are very important. But need to take account of reality in case get really off-the-wall suggestions. Ultimately, decisions are made by Members.

Councillor Valerie Kendall – Roundhay

Car Parking.

Use & Function

Quarters approach?

Entertainment uses v. cc living?

Do we need policies to help retain convenience stores in the CC? And do we need to give grants to help promote the existing ones on the edge of the CC that are a bit scruffy.

Is CC appealing to everyone? Or just certain groups?
Are there family facilities?
What barriers are there preventing access?

Councillor Blackburn

Can put conditions on convenience stores but cannot get anyone to take them because of high rents. Will LDF have more weight to give developers a social conscience?

Developers want retail A3/B1 office/Leisure/D2 uses on ground floor so they can get most money for highest bidder. If nobody takes up the rental and its empty, Inspectors, on appeal, will allow. Have to be careful, conditioning retail so it doesn't start to offer the sort of goods we want people to go to the prime shopping area for.

Councillor Blackburn wants LDF to be stronger in promoting convenience stores.

Bronwyn Holden – National Service Framework for Older People

Would like to see more consultation with older people.
Older people feeling alienated from CC.
Transport/access key issues.
Benches/toilets/pedestrian areas/disabled access.

Marketing of CC is not geared at older people, eg. Sheltered housing.
Park and ride schemes
Licensing policy

Movement

Congestion
Air Quality
Accessibility
Safety

New Station at Marsh Lane?
Do we keep providing cars with parking spaces?

Councillor Blackburn – surprising the number of people coming from places you wouldn't expect. Also a surprising amount of export.

Councillor J Illingworth – American cities have much more discretion about implementing laws and taxes. We are confined by barriers of traffic – cities made for cars/traffic not people.

Guisseley Councillor

A65 one of the worst roads to come in on – but doesn't take you that long. Takes longer to park, therefore, should have a more relaxed approach to providing parking.

Andrew Hall

If provide more parking – you generate more demand for parking space because more people choose to use the car.

City Centre Resident

Would prefer shoppers to come on train or use park and ride or bike.

Guisseley Councillor

Network not complete, therefore, should provide park and ride. Would be unhealthy for Leeds to reduce parking space in CC.

Councillor J Illingworth

Can we re-open suburban train routes that have closed?

3 options

1. Expansion of CC long term parking space
2. Replacement of long term parking spaces we are losing
3. Doing nothing to replace lost space and not providing any more.

Quality/Safety

Design – look of Leeds.
Tall buildings/landmark buildings
Extend conservation areas?
Gateways – Iconic buildings

Ask for 20% of space to be public space. But it's usually just hard landscaping. How do we encourage more greenery? Can we create better links/routes, way marking to spaces adjacent to CC

Lovell Park
Woodhouse Mound

Climate Change

Renewable energy sources for development. Park Lane College building has solar panels.

Require renewable
Encourage renewable
Any exemptions (LBS)
Waste
Recycling
Litter Bins
Need to encourage Recycling of building materials

Bronwyn Holden

Not enough green spaces and existing ones are all really old. New developments should have public space.

Councillor Fox

Should use Council money to buy a new space to provide park/grass.
Councillor Illingworth agreed.

Councillor Blackburn

Should use CP powers

Need to be careful not to lose what is already there along with canal/river – already have good wildlife corridors.

Aims and Objectives

Councillor J Illingworth

Should say that all the CC comes under the DD Act.

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Appendix I

Leeds City Centre Area Action Plan Leeds Youth Council Meeting 15th October 2005

Total time available 1 hour from 13.45 till 14.45 (over ran by 15 mins on the day)

Each member school of the council was sent 50 questionnaires 2 weeks in advance of the meeting. A summary sheet was enclosed with the package for youth council members to complete and bring to the meeting. 6 schools managed to circulate the questionnaires and bring the results to the meeting.

Following a brief introduction to the LDF and CCAAP, attendees were asked to split into 4 groups as per instructions on separate sheet.

What do you come to the city centre for?

- German market
- Embrace gig
- Shopping
- Socialising
- Hospital
- Cinema
- Swimming
- Meals
- Library (free internet)
- Art Gallery
- Ice Skating

What is good about the city centre?

- Safer than other UK cities
- Range of activities
- Renovation of Briggate
- Nightlife
- Play House / Yorkshire Dance
- Shopping and range of shops (The Light)
- Shops near stations (bus and train)
- Millennium Square – multi uses
- Cinema/ bowling
- Armouries
- Meeting people
- Food
- Hospital
- Variety of places
- Universities and colleges

What could be improved?

- Litter
- Public transport – lack of information
- Needs an arena

Public safety especially at night
Homeless people
Not enough seating areas
Traffic
Skatepark – but may be better sites on the outskirts
A club for under 18s (no alcohol) needs to be in the city centre so its available to everyone
Trees / wilderness – but don't need grassy parks as don't come into the city centre to do that
Tram
More car parking
Something unique to Leeds ie. Go-karting / paint balling
Ice skating rink – more leisure facilities
New swimming pool in the city centre – not south Leeds
Merrion Centre – dated needs an update
Modernise areas of centre
Poor disabled facilities
Better publicity of events – cheaper entry for younger people
Youth club – more places to hang out
More maps in centre
Availability of information on public transport, events, maps of city etc

What stops you visiting more often?

Too many EMO's, tramps – Anti Social Behaviour
Poor public transport – timing
Nowhere to park – one way system
Bus fares too expensive
Lack of funds
Family commitments / safety fears
Shortage of available time
Where people live – poor access
Public safety
Too many band venues do not allow under 18s
Everything I need is near where I live so no need to visit the city centre
Too much concrete
International pool has cockroaches

Pick an issue which is a problem and discuss potential solutions

Issue: Transport
Make it more affordable
The way in which half fare passes are used
More buses, more often and more reliable
Improved enforcement of bus lanes
More park and ride in good locations
Discourage parking in the city centre
More public transport options – not just buses
More train stations nearer bus station

Appendix J.

Links between comments made by Leeds Youth Council members at workshop session 15/10/05 and the options contained in the emerging City Centre AAP 'Alternative Options' papers.

Strategic Options Paper

As an option for improving commuting to city centre:-

Enhancement of public transport

(YC comment: more public transport options – not just buses)

Movement Options Paper

As options for tackling congestion:-

Park & Ride

(YC comment: more park & ride in good locations)

Enhanced bus routes for quicker and reliable journeys

(YC comment: more buses, more often & more reliable)

More train stations

(YC comments: more public transport options not just buses; more train stations nearer bus station)

Restraint on commuter car parking

(YC comment: discourage parking in the city centre)

As options re amount of car parking for visitors (shoppers etc):-

Reduced, but with exceptions (for eg for disabled persons)

(YC comments: discourage parking in the city centre; poor disabled facilities)

Expanded

(YC comment: more car parking)

As options re amount of car parking for commuters (office workers etc):-

Reduced, but with exceptions (for eg for disabled persons & shift workers)

(YC comments: discourage parking in the city centre; poor disabled facilities)

Expanded

(YC comment: more car parking)

As options for improving public transport:-

Identifying sites for future rail stations

(YC comments: more public transport options not just buses; more train stations nearer bus station)

Improving bus & rail interchange

(YC comments: more train stations nearer bus station)

Better enforcement of bus priority

(YC comment: improved enforcement of bus lanes)

Option for proposed new railway station at Marsh Lane Goods Yard (near bus station)

(YC comment: more train stations nearer bus station)

Access Options Paper

As an option for exceptions to general restraint of commuter car parking:-
Arrangements to ensure that spaces are maintained for disabled person use only

(YC comment: poor disabled facilities)

Public transport providers should be expected to give consideration to the needs of disabled people, particularly distances between public transport stops & city centre destinations and distances to change between bus and train

(YC comment: poor disabled facilities; more train stations nearer bus station)

Options re the design of all development so as to be accessible for disabled people:-

Yes OR partly, with exceptions for conservation/heritage reasons in rare circumstances

(YC comments: poor disabled facilities)

Public realm investment should aim to ensure that there are public places to sit down & relax – either equally spread throughout the city centre or in areas of activity only

(YC comment: not enough seating areas)

Options re whether facilities & services for leisure & night clubs are too expensive (or not) compared with other areas

(YC comment: need cheaper entry to events for young people)

As an option re affordability in the city centre:-

Discounts in shops & facilities through the plan or a Leeds Card/Permit

(YC comment: cheaper entry to events for young people; lack of funds as barrier to visiting city centre)

As an option re facilities for families with children:-

More variety of indoor leisure uses – bowling, laser combat etc

(YC comment: ice skating rink – more leisure facilities; something unique to Leeds, ie go-karting, paint balling)

As options for indoor venues for teenagers:-

The plan should make developments of new night clubs conditional that they dedicate at least one evening a week for teenagers with no alcohol served
AND/OR

The city council should engage with existing operators of music venues and night clubs to encourage provision of regular entertainment evenings for teenagers

(YC comments: a club for under 18s (no alcohol) needs to be in city centre so its available to everyone; too many band venues do not allow under 18s)

Open Space & Greenery Options Paper

As options for recreational or passive open space

Skateboarding & bmx biking facilities

Performance space for hosting of events

Public gardens and pocket parks for relaxation & contemplation

(YC comments: skatepark; cheaper entry to events for young people; not enough seating areas)

Options re a long term programme for the planting and management of street trees in the city centre

(YC comment: trees/wilderness)

Entertainment Options Paper

Options re a new concert hall and new arena:-

Within the city centre

Within or on the edge of the city centre

Outside the city centre

(YC comment: needs an arena)

Design & Conservation Options Paper

As options for improving safety and security in the city centre through new developments:-

Design of layouts to use 'activity', good lighting and overlooking from buildings as a form of self-policing;

Developments to be designed to restrict access permanently or at night time to prevent break-ins and crimes against people (ie gating, high walls, window bars etc);

Combination of above 2 depending upon circumstance

(YC comments: public safety especially at night; homeless people; too many EMOs, tramps, anti-social behaviour; safety fears; public safety)

Managing Resources Options Paper

As options for street litter collection & recycling:-

Litter bins on own

A number of small recycling facilities across the city centre

A large recycling centre in or on edge of city centre

(YC comment; improve litter situation)

Appendix K –

Theme	Topic	Representor	Type	Comment	Re
Environment	Design	English Heritage	Statutory Consultee	Are the general design policies still appropriate? If not, how should they be improved?	Litt
Environment	Design	Sport England	Interest Group	For a quality environment at ground level, need to ensure that sufficient space is provided alongside tall buildings, which can then be used imaginatively for activities.	alth pol clar exp des
Environment	Design	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant	Remove zoning for tall buildings, as they can be considered using general design policy. How can the quality of delivered buildings be made to match up to approved designs, eg City Walk? How can the sustainable re-use of buildings be encouraged? How can the community have greater involvement in design & conservation issues?	The be dec reg cur
Environment	Design	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	Do mega-tall buildings spoil the surrounding countryside? Should they be allowed?	The issu dec
Environment	Design	Susan Chesters	n/k	Are there any areas where tall buildings are not appropriate? If so, where?	Loc as by of t
Environment	Tall Buildings	English Heritage	Statutory Consultee	Appropriate near Tourist areas. We need up to approximately 6 landmark buildings to enhance Leeds' image & skyline. Should be only a short walk from train station/Armouries.	Pub an dea pro
Environment	Tall Buildings	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Should the boundaries of any of the conservation areas be amended? Are there any other areas that the City Council should examine as possible Conservation Areas? It is not clear what the question about "listings" means. Is this asking consultees to identify buildings to be placed on a local list, as per PPG15 para 6.16?	No Gre cite
Environment	Conservation	English Heritage	Statutory Consultee	Give consideration to a local list (Grade III) of buildings of local interest? Should intentions for LCC owned historic buildings be disclosed, as an example to other owners? Should Article 4 Directions be used to extend control over development in conservation areas?	The Op ope exp laic etc be
Environment	Conservation	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	Boundaries need to be carefully reviewed so as not to "strangle the City" but at the same time protect the heritage of the City.	
Environment	Conservation	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Green spaces are needed in order to deliver sustainable communities for residents & workers of the city centre. See Sport England's "Active Design" document.	
Environment	Public Spaces	Sport England	Interest Group	Pedestrian links to up to 20 surrounding residential areas are vital. Better signage and pocket parks needed in the city centre.	
Environment	Public Spaces	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Define "what is a large public space?" eg Millenium Sq. How to involve the public in public realm enhancement? How to maintain the public realm in the long term? How to reconcile street advertising PFI arrangements with desire to avoid clutter? How to make public spaces more attractive to families? How to bring "fun" into the public realm? How to coordinate work of statutory undertakers? How to improve the highway network to create pedestrian friendly routes? How should floodlighting schemes (eg Markets & Armley Gytratory) be maintained?	
Environment	Public Spaces	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant		
Environment	Public Spaces	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group		

Theme	Topic	Representor	Type	Comment	Re
Environment	Public Spaces	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	The Council should review its land ownership with a view to creating new public open spaces. Significant potential to improve existing open space, including the waterfront. The 20% policy needs to be made more flexible achieving more space or less space as site circumstances & overall design demand. Discussion between applicant & Council should achieve the best result.	
Environment	Trees & Greenery	Kippax Parish Council	Parish Council	Every opportunity should be taken to plant trees.	
Environment	Trees & Greenery	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can retailers be persuaded to accept tree planting in principal shopping streets? How can significant areas of green open space be created? How can existing open spaces be expanded or enhanced?	
Environment	Trees & Greenery	Sport England	Interest Group	Green infrastructure & landscaping, which can have a practical function, should be encouraged.	
Environment	Trees & Greenery	Susan Chesters	n/k	Should the term "green landscape" be more closely defined so that a paved area with a few token trees & flower tubs would not be accepted as green landscape?	
Environment	Trees & Greenery	Simon Weaver	Resident	Lack of trees & greenery. More trees & planting is needed.	
Environment	Community Safety	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Liaison with Community Safety about city centre plans is essential.	The need incl
Environment	Community Safety	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can concerns about "big brother" be balanced against security issues?	
Environment	Community Safety	Susan Chesters	n/k	Are stronger measures needed to tackle anti-social behaviour in the late evening?	
Environment	Waterways	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Better enforcement against polluters. Opening up hidden becks unimportant.	Not wat over the
Environment	Waterways	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant	Diversification of uses should be raised, eg accepting inclusion of A1 & leisure uses.	
Environment	Waterways	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can expected improvements to public accessibility be delivered? How can more active uses along the waterfront be encouraged? What types of public space should be expected along the Waterfront - footpaths, larger spaces, entertainment spaces & green spaces?	Har opt mig enh
Environment	Waterways	Aire & Calder Rivers Group	Interest Group	How can additional access to water level be provided on the river & becks? Leeds should liaise with Bradford to prevent rubbish entering the river. How can the weir be adjusted to allow movement of fish, both migratory & non-migratory up and down the river & becks?	Dev of r Pre
Environment	Waterways	English Heritage	Statutory Consultee	How could development be controlled to improve biodiversity? For example leaving an adequate buffer between development & water's edge in sensitive areas.	The pos
Environment	Waste Management	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can the City Council demonstrate best practice? Can a coordinated trade waste collection policy be introduced? How to avoid waste piling up in streets with a policy for waste storage & collection by contractors?	nee dev spa fac

Theme	Topic	Representor	Type	Comment
Environment	Air Quality	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Condition solar panels.
Environment	Air Quality	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	Should the City Council run its fleet of vehicles on gas or electric power? Need for a tram system?
Environment	Air Quality	Susan Chesters	n/k	How can the harmful effect of traffic on air quality be reduced? Energy efficiency of buildings will be helped by new building regulations. Recognise that "green" credentials of a building are not "black & white". Avoid superficiality when considering sustainability issues. Greater understanding is needed.
Environment	Air Quality	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	
Environment	Other Comments	Aire & Calder Rivers Group	Interest Group	How can the graffiti along the railway lines into Leeds be eliminated? It leaves a bad impression of no control & vandalism rules.
Environment	Other Comments	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Leeds ought to organise itself to attract the teams of other countries to use Leeds as a training base for the 2012 Olympics. New sports facilities are needed.
Growth	Boundaries	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Should grow slowly in all directions, generally outwards rather than upwards. A new Marsh La rail station could help eastward expansion.
Growth	Boundaries	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How to avoid creating a barrier, create links through and involve communities?
Growth	Boundaries	Susan Chesters	Resident	Is vertical/horizontal expansion worthwhile? What is the value of expansion? Could areas outside of the city centre be developed?
Growth	Boundaries	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant	The nature of the extension & the uses should be considered.
Growth	Boundaries	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Need to consider extending boundary south east (to South Accommodation Rd or beyond), Holbeck & Kirkstall Rd
Growth	Type of Growth	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Major shopping, cultural, entertainment & leisure in current boundary, more mixed use (offices, retail, flats) in extension areas
Growth	Type of Growth	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	Compactness of the retail area is a virtue.
Growth	Type of Growth	Older People's Modernisation Team	City Council	How can growth be "balanced" to meet needs of all, old and young? Policy flexibility is required to avoid frustrating new development. The appropriateness of different land uses within schemes should be discussed & agreed at workshops.
Growth	Type of Growth	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	
Growth	Locational sustainability of growth	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Some advantage of quarters but keep flexibility
Growth	Locational sustainability of growth	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can the dispersal of offices to the suburbs (where there is less accessibility by public transport) be countered? Should office development areas in the city centre be protected?

Theme	Topic	Representor	Type	Comment	Res
Growth	Location al sustainability of growth	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant	Look to a hierarchy of uses & where they should be directed, eg leisure & residential towards the waterfront	
Growth	Location al sustainability of growth	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	We do not want to restrict development of uses into quarters - continental cities have a spread of cultural facilities.	
Growth	Balancing growth with other areas	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Consultation with other Las needed, but growth might export some jobs to other areas	This CC rela nei and
Growth	Balancing growth with other areas	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can the influence of the City Centre be extended into the inner city AND ELSEWHERE?	The ass nei Op & e
Growth	Balancing growth with other areas	Susan Chesters	Resident	Does growth in the city centre benefit areas of deprivation in the suburbs?	The & w with Nev app the inv
Growth	Balancing growth with other areas	Kippax Parish Council	Parish Council	Other areas of Leeds should not suffer at the expense of the city centre.	
Growth	Balancing growth with other areas	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Promoting Leeds as an engine of growth will help surrounding areas.	
Growth	Other Comments	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	A strategy for community involvement is required. Need to encourage use by improving frequency, adding cross-city routes & provision of "park & ride". City Council councillors & senior officers should be made to use park & ride & close Civic Hall car park. Integrated transport required & a station should be re-opened at Marsh La	Com pro Sta and by? The Cor con par a n eas pub inte con The Op
Movement	Provision for public transport	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Ensuring public transport provides direct access to important city centre sites, eg LGI, Civic Hall, Playhouse & shopping areas. Short walks are difficult for many older people.	
Movement	Provision for public transport	Older People's Modernisation Team	City Council	How to improve links to the railway station be improved, eg through the dark arches to the riverside? How to encourage providers to implement rail stations, both park & ride & destination, eg Elland Rd? How can development values at stations be harnessed for community benefits?	
Movement	Provision for public transport	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group		

Theme	Topic	Representor	Type	Comment	Res
Movement	Provision for public transport	Susan Chesters	n/k	Should congestion charging be introduced in the city centre?	
Movement	Provision for public transport	Susan Chesters	n/k	Central government financial support is critical for significant investment. Train stock & busses need to be modern & attractive. Reliability is important. Bus speeds need to be improved.	
Movement	Safer Roads	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	No need for more traffic calming. More secure cycle lock ups at major car parks. Make 10 x 1.5 - 2 mile pedestrian routes well lit, attractive & well signed to connect city to adjoining neighbourhoods	Con to e saf and
Movement	Safer Roads	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	Is a radical approach of removing traffic signs & barriers to improve safety of all needed?	
Movement	Non-vehicular users	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Connectivity, including walking cycle routes, paved areas etc, is important. Need to look at bus routes & guided bus and whether heavy concrete kerbs could be avoided in the city centre.	Con dea ped dis cer
Movement	Non-vehicular users	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Overcome barriers to mobility. Discourage non-short stay car parking. Maintain free circular bus service.	Bot Op
Movement	Non-vehicular users	Older People's Modernisation Team	City Council	Particularly important to overcome barriers to mobility.	
Movement	Non-vehicular users	Susan Chesters	n/k	Should more facilities be provided for the elderly & disabled, eg more seating in pedestrian areas/arcades & more public conveniences.	
Movement	Connectivity	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Connect city centre to neighbouring communities.	
Movement	Connectivity	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can connectivity be improved comprehensively - ie a continuous network of pedestrian routes with dropped kerbs.	
Movement	Traffic Management	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Lower parking rates for cars with high occupancy. Explore routes for cars to cross the city without going through the city centre.	Dev ad
Movement	Traffic Management	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can buses deliver more passengers? Policing of bus lanes, bus gates etc?	
Movement	Highway infrastructure	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Major public transport improvement including Marsh La station.	The of j nat cer Nev con gro pub app offi goe
Movement	Highway infrastructure	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How effective is the Loop in an expanded city centre? Should the Loop extend south of the river? Delete the Jobs question.	
Movement	Highway infrastructure	Susan Chesters	n/k	Should the growth in jobs in the city centre be encouraged, given the likely impact on traffic congestion/	
Movement	Highway infrastructure	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	The East Leeds Link road & Orbital Relief Road to the Northeast are critical in congestion terms.	The sou exp

Theme	Topic	Representor	Type	Comment	Re
Movement	Car parking	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Discourage private car parking in new developments, unless available for public use at evenings & weekends. Develop a parking strategy for the city centre rim.	The new add...
Movement	Car parking	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Sensible to provide car parking in a circle around the city centre, to avoid cars having to pass through/into the city centre. Suggest car parks at the main approach routes then small buses around the city centre.	is a issu...
Use	Principal Use Quarters	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Need flexible interpretation of the quarters concept.	The con...
Use	Principal Use Quarters	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How to resolve confusion between quarters, mosaics, petals & concentric rings? Should we encourage a more varied mix of uses than quarters?	out see exc will exp Pri offi ele rela acc Var lev dev nui in t
Use	Principal Use Quarters Entertainment impact	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	We do not want to restrict development of uses into quarters - continental cities have a spread of cultural facilities.	
Use	Entertainment impact	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Sound insulation is effective	
Use	Entertainment impact	Safer Leeds Alcohol Group	Interest Group	The questions around limiting night time use & hours are very important, but what level of control is available? Noise must be controlled & consider separating uses by area. Clustering entertainment uses better for emergency services.	
Use	Entertainment impact	David Speight	n/k		
Use	Entertainment impact	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Liveliness is to be expected as part of the city centre. Acoustic separation of uses within buildings should be considered.	
Use	Entertainment Offer	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant	Need to consider incorporating entertainment uses into quieter areas such as the office quarter How to overcome "one dimensional" nature of Leeds - shopping or clubbing? Little for families or older visitors. How can the City be made a draw in itself - buildings, spaces heritage etc? How can an image/brand be developed? How can we encourage a wider range of cultural attractions? How can traditional pubs be preserved? Should developers make premises available at low rent for entertainment uses to survive?	So bro nee wha attr old pec
Use	Entertainment Offer	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group		
Use	Entertainment Offer	David Speight	n/k	"Chinatown" & "Gay" areas needs to be encouraged.	The exp pro or c limi
Use	Entertainment Offer	The Theatres Trust	Interest Group	Theatres should be protected from changes to other uses.	The use attr No bey The
Use	Convenience Shopping	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Need another major supermarket (possibly upmarket).	

Theme	Topic	Representor	Type	Comment
Use	Convenience Shopping	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	Should all housing schemes be expected to provide a "parade of shops" as in inter-war housing estates and required to offer affordable shops?
Use	Convenience Shopping	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant	Need shopping facilities in areas of need, ie southern sector where most residential development is located.
Use	Convenience Shopping Comparison	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Shops need to be no more than a few minutes walk away from apartments to discourage use of the car. Small supermarkets of 1000sqm are achievable.
Use	Shopping Comparison	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	Is there any need for additional retail space in Leeds city centre?
Use	Shopping Comparison	David Speight	n/k	New shopping centres should not be encouraged because they will attract more car use.
Use	Shopping Residential communities	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Retail policies need to be more flexible to allow the spread of retail development in all areas to achieve a lively & dynamic "rich in its mix" city centre.
Use	Residential communities	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	"Balanced community" should be defined to be limited. City centre dwellers will omit families.
Use	Residential communities	Safer Leeds Alcohol Group	Interest Group	Ask about services needed to support individuals from deprived communities adjacent to the city centre
Use	Residential communities	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can communities of all types be encouraged in the city centre? What support services are required to deliver appropriate living conditions? Schools? Medical Services?
Use	Residential communities	Older People's Modernisation Team	City Council	What additional health care provision is needed, eg primary health facilities for residents
Use	Residential communities	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant	What amenities are required to support balanced communities?
Use	Residential communities	David Speight	n/k	What is the definition of a "balanced community" which can endure for decades? More affordable flats are required.
Use	Residential communities	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	The mix of dwelling sizes & types is driven by purchasers & occupiers. Family housing choice will emerge over 5-10 years. Demand should be encouraged first from couples wanting to remain in the city centre with young families by having larger ground floor apartments with gardens, possibly around courtyards, emulating models found in Europe. Supporting facilities - creches, schools etc - should be funded by government where not financially self supporting.
Use	Access for all	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Better signage

Theme	Topic	Representor	Type	Comment
Use	Access for all	Safer Leeds Alcohol Group	Interest Group	How to provide for a range of shopping, leisure & local services to meet the needs of the whole community, particularly socially excluded groups?
Use	Access for all	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How can access be truly addressed? Wheelchair users are a small proportion of people with disabilities? Sensory signage? Routes clear of obstructions?
Use	Access for all	Older People's Modernisation Team	City Council	What are the barriers to use by all groups eg lack of toilets, seats etc?
Use	Access for all	Kippax Parish Council	Parish Council	Too much for young people. All access should be wheelchair friendly. Lay out areas to attract certain groups. Need more police. Wheelchair access is not appropriate everywhere, & premises need to be safe for disabled people, eg nightclubs.
Use	Access for all	David Speight	n/k	
Use	Access for all	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Needs to take account of restrictions of topography, waterways, roads, rail etc.
Use	Waterfront	Cllr Brett	City Councillor	Help set up a river taxi, eg station to Armouries & river walkways on both sides of the river.
Use	Waterfront	Leeds Civic Trust	Interest Group	How to prevent the waterfront being sterilised by inappropriate development?
Use	Waterfront	Sanderson Wetherall	Consultant	Should developments include a mix of A2 & A3 uses as well as residential?
Use	Waterfront	David Speight	n/k	Not affordable for everyone - homes & entertainment.
Use	Waterfront	Gordon Carey	Leeds Property Forum	Need continued improvement & encouragement for recreation: walking, sitting, rowing, canoeing & potentially a waterbus.

Appendix L: Responses Regarding Overall City Centre Area Action Plan Aim and Objectives

Respondent:	Kippax Parish Council
Type:	Parish Council
Agreement With Objectives Overall? (Yes/No)	Yes
Suggested Changes in Objective Wording:	None Suggested
Preference For Extra Emphasis On The Following:	Economic Objectives (e.g. growth, investment) : NO Social Objectives e.g. safety, security, harmony) : YES Environmental Objectives (e.g. heritage, spaces): NO
Suggestions For Substantially Rewriting Objectives	None Suggested
Respondent:	Susan Chesters
Type:	Not Known
Agreement With Objectives? (Yes/No)	Not Answered
Suggested Changes in Objective Wording:	Substitute 'dynamic' in place of 'vibrancy'. Vibrancy suggests useless activity going nowhere What is the meaning of employment uses? If it means more jobs, is it wise to increase the number of people travelling to work in the city centre? Add 'attractive' to 'accessibility to all the community'
Preference For Extra Emphasis On The Following:	Economic Objectives (e.g. growth, investment) : NO Social Objectives e.g. safety, security, harmony) : NO Environmental Objectives (e.g. heritage, spaces): YES
Suggestions For Substantially Rewriting Objectives	More emphasis on improving the environment, in particular creating more city centre parks, with grass, flowers, shrubs and trees Different aspects of the development of the city centre are being considered separately, but, for example, growth in employment impacts on traffic flows, other facilities and the environment. Will there be opportunity to look at these interactions?
Respondent:	Rebecca Boon
Type:	Not Known
Agreement With Objectives Overall? (Yes/No)	Yes
Suggested Changes in Objective Wording:	High quality environment, including green spaces within development and also a high standard of public realm works
Preference For Extra Emphasis On The Following:	Economic Objectives (e.g. growth, investment) : NO Social Objectives e.g. safety, security, harmony) : NO Environmental Objectives (e.g. heritage, spaces): YES
Suggestions For Substantially Rewriting Objectives	None Suggested
Respondent:	Older People's Modernisation Team
Type:	City Council
Agreement With Objectives? (Yes/No)	Yes

Suggested Changes in Objective Wording:	Would prefer; "Accessibility to all ages and all communities"
Preference For Extra Emphasis On The Following:	Economic Objectives (e.g. growth, investment) : NO Social Objectives e.g. safety, security, harmony) : YES Environmental Objectives (e.g. heritage, spaces): NO
Suggestions For Substantially Rewriting Objectives	A health impact assessment of any major changes is essential (see Healthy Cities Initiatives Nationally e.g. Liverpool and Brighton and Hove health impact assessments)
Respondent:	Leeds Civic Trust
Type:	Interest Group
Agreement With Objectives? (Yes/No)	Yes
Suggested Changes in Objective Wording:	None Suggested
Preference For Extra Emphasis On The Following:	Economic Objectives (e.g. growth, investment) : NO Social Objectives e.g. safety, security, harmony) : NO Environmental Objectives (e.g. heritage, spaces): YES
Suggestions For Substantially Rewriting Objectives	Environmental Objectives can be used to underpin other policies – give the city an edge?
Respondent:	English Heritage
Type:	Statutory Consultee
Typed Response, Rather Than Following The Questionnaire Distributed	
Suggested Changes in Objective Wording:	There is a need to update both the Aim and the Objectives to clearly embrace the concept of sustainability Generally support objectives aiming to create a 'high quality environment and 'distinctive character' for the city centre. However, there must be greater protection and enhancement of elements of historic character that contribute towards the distinctive identity and sense of place in Leeds City Centre.
Preference For Extra Emphasis On Specific Areas:	Given the important contribution made by the historic environment to the of a distinctive identity for Leeds (and in turn, to its economic success), there should be some greater emphasis placed upon the protection and enhancement of the historic assets of the City and the need to ensure that the future development not only takes full account of the context in which it is proposed but also the potential impact which proposals might have upon key views across the city
Suggestions For Substantially Rewriting Objectives	On the issue of tall buildings, it might be worth asking consultees "are there any areas where tall buildings are not appropriate? If so, where?" Given the City Centre Boundary includes a number of conservation areas it would be more appropriate to ask "should the boundaries of any of the conservation areas be amended? Are there any other areas that the City Council should examine as possible conservation areas?"

Appendix M.

Comments on overall aim & objectives from all 4 workshops

From the UDP:

Aim – support development for Leeds to become a principal city of Europe

7 Objectives:

High quality environment
Distinctive character & personality
Vibrancy with residential living, leisure & culture
Support growth of employment uses
Promote development opportunities
Accessibility to all the community
Safe & secure access

Comments

Support from all workshops for refinement of aim to support *sustainable* development. There was an additional view that this means sustainable in the climatic change sense, rather than all the wider issues of economic & social equality etc.

Another suggestion was for an aim to make Leeds city centre a “good experience”

Other suggestions:

Vibrancy should also refer to “retail”

Connectivity should be given greater prominence

The importance of “infrastructure” to help deliver objectives should be covered

“Greenness” should be given prominence

High quality environment should mean “aesthetics, safety & greenery”

Better understanding of the environment & the planning process should be promoted in the sense of educating stakeholders

Accessibility to all the community should also include “appeal” to all the community

The objectives ought to better reflect the multi-cultural nature of Leeds

Incorporate an objective to cascade the success of the city centre to adjoining areas

The need for ongoing stewardship

Appendix N – City Council Press Release



4 April 2006

COUNCIL BEGINS CONSULTATION ON FUTURE OF THE CITY CENTRE

How do you think the centre of Leeds should change and grow? That's the question Leeds City Council is asking as part of a plan for the future of the city centre.

The next stage of consultation over the City Centre Area Action Plan (AAP) will see questionnaires sent out to businesses, groups and individuals across the city centre to gauge whether they agree with the issues being tackled.

Begun last year, the plan is due to be finished in 2008 and will cover everything from whether there should be more benches in the city centre and if there are enough open space, to how commuting could be improved and how the city centre should develop.

Last year, the council's Development department held an informal consultation on city centre issues which included everyone from residents and business groups, to those covering minority interests and voluntary groups. The comments raised at the meetings, workshops and in writing have helped officers draw up a series of "options".

This stage asks these groups what option choices they favour – the feedback will help the council decide what detailed proposals should go into the plan, and there will be further consultation in the Autumn.

Cllr Andrew Carter, council leader and executive board member for Development, said:

"The centre of Leeds is changing on an almost daily basis and the Area Action Plan will allow us to guide that change in a way that benefits everyone.

"As a council, it is vital that we know how we want the city to develop and an important part of that is asking the people who live and work in the city centre where they think it should be going."

The consultation is asking what people feel about the following areas and issues:

- **Objectives & Strategic Options** – choices for overall aims & direction for the city centre
- **Access** – broadening the use & attraction of the city centre for all communities of Leeds
- **Design & Conservation** – influencing the appearance & character of the city centre
- **Entertainment** – planning for leisure, arts, culture & the night time economy in the city centre
- **Growth** – planning for employment growth, new development & expansion of the city centre
- **Managing Resources** – protecting the environment, climate change & planning for waste
- **Movement** – dealing with congestion, connectivity, transport infrastructure & safety
- **Open Space** – delivering new spaces & greenery
- **Residential** – planning for new residential communities
- **Retail** – promoting the shopping attraction of the city centre & convenience stores for residents

**For media enquiries please contact:
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Appendix O – BBC Leeds Homepage March-May 2006

Appendix P– Poster Placing – Reaching out to Residents.

Poster advertising the CCAAP consultation, including evening presentation at Leeds Civic Hall on Monday 24th April, was displayed at the following locations around the City on Thursday 13th April.

Portland Crescent Flats – overlooking Millennium Square
St. George’s Crypt
Virgin Vie Gym
Leeds International Swimming Pool
Park Row Apartments
Leeds City Art Gallery
Blood Donor Centre
The Light
Connexions
West Yorkshire Playhouse
BBC Yorkshire
Leeds College of Music and Technology
Leeds City Bus Station
The Common Place

The poster displayed used the following detail:

CITY CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN - *OPTIONS*

Leeds Local Development Framework (Regulation 25) Consultation

The City Council is preparing a new Plan to guide the scale, appearance & mix of the future development of shops, offices, housing, transport, spaces & “pocket parks” in Leeds city centre over the next 10-15 years.

During April 2006, the City Council is consulting on overall objectives & a range of Options:

Objectives & Strategic Options – choices for overall aims & direction for the city centre

Access – broadening the use & attraction of the city centre for all communities of Leeds

Design & Conservation – influencing the appearance & character of the city centre

Entertainment – planning for leisure, arts, culture & the night time economy in the city centre

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Retail – promoting the shopping attraction of the city centre & convenience stores for residents

Tell us how you would like to see the city centre develop. Have a look at the Options Papers & complete the options forms.

You can access the documents in the following ways:

Web – www.leeds.gov.uk/ldf. As well as viewing & downloading PDF documents, you can respond to the Options using on-line forms

Visiting the **Development Department Offices** at The Leonardo Building, 2 Rossington St, Leeds, LS2 (Monday to Friday 08:30 - 17:00, except Wednesdays 09:30 - 17:00)

Visiting **Central Library**, Calverley Street, Leeds LS1 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9am - 8pm, Thursday 9.30am – 5.30pm, Friday 9am – 5pm, Saturday 10am – 5pm, Sunday 12noon – 4pm)

Requesting copies to be sent out to you by **Post** or by **Email** – telephone Liz Hardwick (0113) 247 8075 or Charlotte Brown (0113) 247 8072) or email ldf@leeds.gov.uk

Attending the **Evening Presentations** at Leeds Civic Hall on Thursday 6th April and Monday 24th April starting at 7pm. (nb it would be helpful if you could notify us of your intention to attend, and areas of interest (telephone Liz Hardwick (0113) 247 8075).

Your responses should be returned to us no later than 5pm, 5th May 2006

Appendix Q - Letter posted/emailed to people & interests affected by the CCAAP

Dear [Name]

City Centre Area Action Plan – Consultation Options

From May to October 2005, the City Council's Development Department's informal consultation on city centre issues involved a wide range of organisations and interests. This included residents groups, business, groups representing minority interests, voluntary groups, Leeds Initiative groups, statutory organisations and the Area Committees. The comments raised at meetings, workshops and in writing have helped the Development Department to draw up a series of "Options".

The dual purpose of this letter is to thank those who made comments earlier and to invite you/your organization* to consider the Options & decide what choices you favour. The Options are set out in 10 papers/sections covering the following themes:

- **Objectives & Strategic Options** – choices for overall aims & direction for the city centre
- **Access** – broadening the use & attraction of the city centre for all communities of Leeds
- **Design & Conservation** – influencing the appearance & character of the city centre
- **Entertainment** – planning for leisure, arts, culture & the night time economy in the city centre
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There are a lot of individual options, so you may wish to respond just on those that interest you, and leave the others blank. In terms of targeting your comments you may find it helpful to initially focus upon the "Objectives & Strategic Options" paper. You may also wish to comment on the other Options Papers listed above. In addition comments or suggestions which have not been presented would be welcome.

A Sustainability Appraisal interim report will also be made available to help you understand the impacts of different options & make more of an informed choice.

From 3rd April, you will be able to access the documents in the following ways:

Web – www.leeds.gov.uk/ldf. As well as viewing & downloading PDF

documents, you can respond to the Options using on-line forms

Visiting the **Development Department Offices** at The Leonardo Building, 2 Rossington St, Leeds, LS2 (Monday to Friday 08:30 - 17:00, except Wednesdays 09:30 - 17:00)

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Attending the **Presentations** at Leeds Civic Hall (see details below)

If you would like to find out additional facts, figures & trends affecting the city centre, a number of background “factsheets”, as well as notes of the workshops held in September 2005 are available on request, and online. In addition, the Development Department will be hosting 2 evening presentations at Leeds Civic Hall to explain & explore the key themes & Options. These events are open to all and there is no need to book, however, in planning these sessions, it would be helpful if you could notify us of your intention to attend, and areas of interest (telephone Liz Hardwick (0113) 247 8075). They are being held Thursday 6th April and Monday 24th April starting at 7pm.

Responses to the Options should be returned (faxed, posted, hand delivered or via on-line forms) to the Development Department by 5th May 2006. See letterhead for addresses & numbers.

Special arrangements can be made to translate the documents into any language (free of charge) by telephoning (0113) 247 8092. If you have other special needs please contact Ian Mackay on (0113) 247 8090 who will be pleased to assist.

Yours faithfully,

David Feeney
Planning & Economic Policy
Section Head

*or any affiliated groups you think would be interested

Appendix R – List of persons/organisations sent/emailed the CCAAP consultation letter (Appendix P)

Organisation Name

Beeston Hill & Holbeck Neighbourhood Renewal Team
Barnardo's
Centre for Disability Studies
Community Rehab Unit
Disability Services Centre
East Leeds Primary Care Group - NHS
Individual Student Support Team
Learning & Skills Council (Yorks & Humber Region)
Leeds College of Technology
National Demonstration Centre in Rehabilitation
Park Lane College
Patient Support & Public Support Services
Regional Child Development Centre
Aggregate Industries
Disability Rights Commission
Idox Information Service
United Co-operatives Ltd
Ackroyd Dent & Co
Adair Paxton
Allsop & Co
ARUP
Ashmore & Associates
Atisreal UK
AWS Surveyors & Property Consultants
Bache Treharne LLP Surveyors
Barton Willmore Planning Partnership-Northern
Bissett Kenning Newiss Surveyors
Brackenridge Hanson Tate
Brassington Rowan Chartered Surveyors
BSW Property Consultants
Carter & Co
Carter Jonas LLP
CB Richard Ellis
Central Retail Surveyors
Christie & Co
Colliers CRE
Dacre Son & Hartley
David Wilson Homes Northern
Dev Plan UK
Development Planning Partnership (DPP)
Dixon Wimbush
Dresler Smith Chart Surveyors
DTZ
Dunlop Haywards
Ecotech Research & Consulting

EKOS Consulting UK Limited
Entec
Eversheds LLP
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Yorkshire Wildlife Trust
Caddick Developments Ltd
Yorkshire Water

Access Bus
Advocacy Network - Leeds
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Arriva Yorkshire
Artlink West Yorkshire
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Ashobi Associates
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Bethel Elderly Day Care Centre
British Wind Energy Association
Bupa Care Homes
CAMRA
Care & Repair Leeds
Centre for Deaf People
CHANGE North
DLA Architecture
First Bus
Hill Woodhouse Surveys
Home Builders Federation
Housing Corporation (NE Regional Office)
ID Planning
Interplay Theatre Company
Leeds Chamber of Commerce & Industry
Leeds Employment Initiative
Leeds Pathway Employment Service
Leeds United Football Club
METRO
Mone Bros. Limited
Northern Life Centre
People Count
People Matters
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Unity Housing Association
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WYPTE
Yorkshire Electricity
Yorkshire Evening Post

Access Committee for Leeds
Advocacy & Interpretating Service
Age Concern
Anjuman Suffa-Tul-Islam
APNA Day Centre
Arthritis Care (Ilkley & District)
ASBAH Northern Region
Asha Neighbourhood Project
Asha Users Group
Asia Neighbourhood Project
Asian Boys Club
Asian United Organisation
Association Friends of Blind & Disabled
Association of African Affairs
Association of Blind Asians
Azad Kashmir Welfare Association
Babylon Social Society
Bangladeshi Community Education & Training Centre
Barbados Association (Leeds Branch)
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Belle Isle Elderly Winter Aid
Bengali Mother Tongue Teaching & Cultural Org
Bethel Church
Black & Minority Ethnic Disabled People's Group
Black Governors Information Network
Black Governors Information Network
Bramley Gardens
Brigshaw Disabled Group
British Asians Association
British Asians Association
Carers Leeds
Chapelton & Harehills Area Motor Project
Church of God of Prophecy
Communication Unit c/o Centre for Deaf People
Community Building Services
Community Integrated Care
Concord (Leeds Interfaith Fellowship)
Deaf Blind Unit-Centre for Deaf People

Department of Health
Disabilities Trust
Disability Benefits Centre
Disability Service Team
Domestic Street Community Mental Health
Education & Employment Centre
Gascoigne Gateway Club Members' Committee
Gordon Day Centre for the Elderly
Greek Community
Harehills & Burmantofts Residents Network
Headway Leeds The Brain Injury Association
Hindu Charitable Trust
HIP (Hearing Impaired People)
Hooper Kelah
Horsforth Gospel Hall Trust
Horsforth Housing Office
Indian Workers Association
Iraqi Community
Irish Centre
Irish Music Project
Islamic Centre
Istri Sabha
It's Our City Too!
Kashmir Muslim Welfare Association
Leeds & District Sport & Social Club for Blind
Leeds Advocacy
Leeds and District Chinese Community
Leeds Asian Market Traders Association
Leeds Association of Sikhs (LAS)
Leeds Black Elders Association
Leeds Black Health Forum Resource Centre
Leeds Chinese Advice Centre
Leeds Chinese Community Association
Leeds Cycling Action Group
Leeds Deaf Social Club
Leeds Gate Gypsy & Traveller Exchange
Leeds Hard of Hearing Forum
Leeds Health Focus
Leeds Islamic Centre
Leeds Jewish Blind Society
Leeds Jewish Representative Council
Leeds Jewish Welfare Board
Leeds Justice for Travellers
Leeds Kashmiri Elders Association
Leeds ME Group
Leeds Mental Health Advocacy Group
Leeds Mental Health Employment Consortium
Leeds MIND
Leeds Mind Dove Centre
Leeds MS Society

Leeds Multi-Ethnic Dev Team
Leeds Muslim Council
Leeds Muslim Welfare Association
Leeds People First
Leeds Phoenix Club
Leeds Play Network
Leeds Pragati Mandal
Leeds Reach
Leeds Sign Language Interpretating Service
Leeds Sikh Community
Leeds Society for Deaf & Blind People
Leeds Somali Community Association
Leeds Southern Africa Residents Association LESARA
Leeds Sudanese Community Association
Leeds Union of Sierra/Leoneans
Leeds Voice
Leeds Voluntary Sector Learning Disabilities Forum
Leeds West Indian Centre
Leeds West Indian Centre's Women's Group
Leeds Women First
LEGA (MS)
Let's Face It
Mandela Centre Management Committee
MENCAP
MENCAP Education & Employment Business Unit
Mental Health Alliance in West Yorkshire
Milun Womens Centre
Morley Blind Centre
Morley Civic Society
MS Society (Leeds)
Multi Cultural Education Project
Multi Cultural Youth Club
Muscular Dystrophy Campaign
Muslim Association
Muslim Women's Group
N W Leeds Victim Support
Nari Ekta Ltd
NE Leeds Locality Development Scheme
New Families, Barnardo's
New Testament Church of God
North Leeds Bangladesh Youth Organisation
North Leeds Bangladeshi Women's Association
Pakistani Community Centre (North Leeds)
Palace Youth Project
PHAB Club (Physical Disabled/Able Bodied)
Polish Catholic Centre
Ramblers' Association, Leeds Group
Ramgarhia Board
Ramgarhia Sikh Sports Centre
Real Life Options

Regional Disability Service Employment Service
Riding for Disabled People Association
Roscoe Methodist Church
Scope
SCOPE in Leeds
SEEN Women's Health Matters
Self-Help Initiatives Projects -SHIP
Sense North
Seventh Day Adventist Community Welfare Group
Sign
Sikh Baba Dal
Sikh Girls Group
Sikh Girls Group
South Leeds Carers Service
South Leeds Elderly Asian Group
South Leeds Health for All
Space Yorks Self Help Group
Sri Baba Vishva Karma Sabha (Leeds)
Sri Gurunanak Sikh Temple
St Aidans Parish Church Council
St Anne's Shelter and Housing Action
St Kitts/Nevis Association
Sustrans (Yorkshire)
The Jamaica Society (Leeds)
The Leeds Muslim Commonwealth
The Leeds Sikh Parents Association
The Leeds Vietnamese Community Association
The Leeds Vietnamese Community Association
The Original Steppers
Through the Maze Info Service
THT Yorkshire
Touchstone
U K Leeds
United Caribbean Association
United Caribbean Association
United Musims Association
Volition
Voluntary Action Leeds
West Indian Family Counselling Service
West Leeds Afro-Caribbean Association
West Leeds Gateway Club
West Yorkshire Black Governors Support Service
Windmill Club
Wm Merritt Disabled Living Centre & Mobility Servc
Women's Health Matters
Yorkshire Dance Centre Trust
Young Adult Team
Bangladesh Islamic Society
Chapelton Police Station
Kashmir Social and Welfare Association

Leeds Irish Health & Homes
Leeds Racial Equality Council
Muslim Cultural Society
Muslim Women's Association
Racial Equality Council
The Mount Zion Centre
Centre for Ecology and Hydrology
CPRE Leeds District Group
East Leeds PCT
Justice for Travellers
Wykebeck Way Community Forum
CBI Yorkshire & Humber
Church of England Diocese of Ripon & Leeds
Commission for Racial Equality
Leeds Civic Trust
Leeds General Infirmary
Royal Mail Property Holdings
Unity Housing Association
British Waterways
CABE
Crown Estate Office
Defence Estates
Department of Transport
Equality
HM Prison Service Headquarters
Sport England
East Leeds PCT
West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue
Yorkshire and Humber Assembly

Aberford Parish Council
Allerton Bywater Parish Council
Arthington Parish Council
Austhorpe Parish Council
Bardsey-cum-Rigton Parish Council
Barwick in Elmet & Scholes Parish Council
Bilton-in-Ainsty with Bickerton Parish Council
Boston Spa Parish Council
Bradford Metropolitan District Council
Bramham cum Ogelthorpe Parish Council
Bramhope and Carlton Parish Council
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British Telecom Repayment Projects
Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council
Church Commissioners
City & Holbeck Police Division
City of York Council
Civil Aviation Authority
Clifford Parish Council

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Department of Health
Drighlington Parish Council
East Keswick Parish Council
Fair Play Yorkshire & the Humber Region
Fairburn Parish Council
Freight Transport Authority
Gildersome Parish Council
Great & Little Preston Parish Council
Greater Yorkshire Forestry Authority
Harewood Parish Council
Harrogate Borough Council
Headingley Library
Health & Safety Executive
Help the Aged
Highways Agency
Horsforth Town Council
Huddleston with Newthorpe Parish Council
IOD Yorkshire
Kearby with Netherby Parish Council
Kippax Parish Council
Kirk Deighton Parish Council
Kirkby Overblow Parish Council
Kirklees Metropolitan Council
Lattice Property (British Gas)
Ledsham Parish Council
Ledston Parish Council
Lower Washburn Parish Council
Micklefield Parish Council
National Grid Transco
National Playing Fields Association
Network Rail
Newall with Clifton Parish Council
Newton Kyme cum Toulston Parish Council
Normanton Town Council
Osmondthorpe One Stop Centre Services
Otley Town Council
Pool in Wharfedale Parish Council
Rail Freight Group
Railfreight Regional Office
Railtrack Property NE
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Selby District Council
Shadwell Parish Council
Sherburn in Elmet Parish Council
Sicklinghall Parish Council
South Milford Parish Council
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Stutton with Hazlewood Parish Council
Swillington Parish Council
Tadcaster Parish Council
The Coal Authority
The Gypsy Council
Thorner Parish Council
Thorp Arch Parish Council
Transco
Wakefield Metropolitan District Council
Walton Parish Council
Weeton Parish Council
West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service
West Yorkshire Fire Service
West Yorkshire Metropolitan Ambulance Service
West Yorkshire Strategic Health Authority
Wetherby Town Council
Wighill Parish Council
Womens National Commission
Wothersome Parish Council
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1. Aberford Parish Council
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4. Armley Heights Library
5. Armley Library
6. Beeston Library
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8. Boston Spa Library
9. Bramley Library
10. Broad Lane Library
11. Burley Library
12. Calverley Library
13. Central Library
14. Chapel Allerton Library
15. Chapeltown Library
16. Compton Road Library
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19. CrossGates Library
20. Dewsbury Road Library
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22. Farsley Library
23. Garforth Library
24. Gildersome Library
25. Guiseley Library
26. Halton Library
27. Headingley Library
28. Hunslet Library
29. Ireland Wood Library

30. Kippax Library
31. Kirkstall Library
32. Holbeck Library
33. Holt Park Library
34. Horsforth Library
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36. Methley Library
37. Middleton Library
38. Moor Allerton Library
39. Morley Library
40. Morley Town Council
41. Oakwood Library
42. Otley Library
43. Oulton Library
44. Pudsey Library
45. Rawdon Library
46. Richmond Hill Library & Recreational Centre
47. Rothwell Library
48. Scholes Library
49. Seacroft Library
50. Shadwell Library
51. Swarcliffe Library
52. Swillington Library
53. Swinnow Library
54. Whinmoor Library
55. Wetherby Library
56. Yeadon Library

Letter also sent to 433 Leeds city centre residents

Documents sent to specific consultees

English Heritage
English Nature
Environment Agency
Countryside Agency
Government Office for Yorkshire and Humber
Leeds Initiative

Appendix S: PUBLIC MEETING 24.4.06 LEEDS CIVIC HALL 7-9PM

A total of 13 people attended the event.

QUESTIONS/POINTS RAISED BY PUBLIC (person listed in brackets if known):

EXPANSION

Impression from diagram shown in presentation is that office space is decentralised. Diagram should be amended, or a third diagram produced to show concentration in the centre and around the periphery – critical mass in the centre and satellite balanced communities with self sustaining uses around – the city centre needs to be compact. However, the boundary should be expanded overall.

Different parts of the city have different office functions and different office markets – cautious about expanding the boundary due to sequential test – some sites should be developed first, to avoid central areas being overlooked & neglected.

Any expansion needs to go hand in hand with public transport improvements. Mixed use clusters should be encouraged so people don't have to travel in from peripheral uses. (Metro representative)

Use derelict/unused sites, not car parks and greenspace for development first (Kippax Parish Council representative)

Contrary view – leave some sites vacant in the city centre, in reserve, and develop communities on the periphery, eg. Holbeck

CONVENIENCE SHOPPING

Convenience shopping is not a problem. There are loads of places to shop. There are more important issues – general upkeep – Leeds is dirty, cracked pavements, old buses etc. (City centre resident)

There are loads of places to shop, but young professionals can't all afford to shop at Salt's and M & S. There is a lack of cheap shops, except the market and Morrisons. (City centre resident)

Certain parts of the city centre are not so well served by shops

The scale of ancillary retail is not an issue in that it won't compete with city centre retail uses. A number of local centres, of substantial floorspace should be identified, within walking distance for residents.

A question was raised as to how many residents are needed to support a food shop. The answer given was that in the suburbs, 6-8,000 population is needed to support eg. a Tesco Express, but in the city centre this is more difficult to define, as 120,000 work in the city centre, shops want areas of biggest footfall.

OPEN SPACE; SPACES AND GREENERY

It is not monetary contributions from developers that are needed, but actual space – need to identify sites/spaces – allocate land to be kept open/green. (City centre resident)

Residential developments should have to provide greenspace on-site, especially for family accommodation, office developments should provide squares, not necessarily greenspace. (Kippax Parish Council representative)

Perhaps developments outside the core area could be allowed in return for greenspace within the centre – allocate sites for open space (City centre resident)

Trees are over-rated. It is bold design and the quality of the space that is important – not size, or 'greenness' necessarily. Private sector levy should ensure good quality. Can we insist that landscaping has to be 'green'? Leeds has far less parks and greenspaces compared to other cities. Green areas do not have to be fenced off to prevent over-usage – a good example is the small area of green outside the Marriott Hotel, where the green is a raised level with a footpath around.

The burden shouldn't fall entirely on developers – council tax/resources should be allocated accordingly. There needs to be a direct correlation between the development and the benefit. (It was explained that the plan is about looking at what 'planning' powers can be used for).

MOVEMENT – CAR PARKING

Improve Park and Ride facilities. Need better train facilities. People come into town in cars because there's nowhere outside the city centre to leave them, and bus journeys take too long. (Kippax Parish Council)

Looking at range of options for public transport, don't want expanded car parks (Metro representative)

Car parks are eyesores – basement car parks are OK, but shouldn't expand provision. (City centre resident)

Need to balance in and out flow of city centre more – if more people live in the centre, more will commute out, to balance up the commuting in more, or have different shift times of city centre workers. (City centre resident)

HOUSING

To diversify the market for family housing and elderly persons accommodation, schools, health care etc is needed.

Development of older buildings may attract a different market than the high rise new developments which attract the young single market (more like suburban developments).

Family housing should be provided on the periphery for couples who like city living to move to, rather than the suburbs. (Kippax Parish Council)

ENTERTAINMENT

How does entertainment in town affect outlying areas? – ie. to travel to and from town for evening entertainment, late night travel/public transport is needed – the last bus goes at 11pm, and a taxi to Kippax is £30, which is too expensive. (Kippax Parish Council).

Entertainment uses should be planned for in accordance with PPS6 so they are available to the maximum number of people in the centre.

MISCELLANEOUS/OTHER POINTS RAISED

A question was asked about what the difference in weighting is between the options and preferred options stages – whether at a later stage, to comment carries more weight. (In answer – the new planning system is about 'front loading', or getting the community involved early on, so it is important to contribute early on to influence the process, but later stages are the formal consultation stages).

Appendix T –Database Representors to Alternative Options

City Centre Area Action Plan

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Ref No	Name	Organisation / Agent	Agent's Client	Received	Ward	
0021	Ms Lucy Mitchell	Yorkshire Forward	LS11 5AE	05/05/2006	City & Hunslet	
0024	Ms Angela Ansell	Leeds South East Homes	LS15 8ET	03/05/2006	Cross Gates &	
0025	Cllr W Morley	Kippax Parish Council	LS25 7DS	03/05/2006	Kippax & Methley	
0026	Dr Richard Tyler	Leeds HMO Lobby	LS6	27/04/2006	Headingley	
0030	Mr Dan Massie	Development Planning Partnership	LS3 1AB Mr Simon Birnbaum	TESCO Stores Limited	05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
0030	Mr Dan Massie	Development Planning Partnership	LS3 1AB Mr Jim Moynihan	Department of	05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
0038	Dr Mike Willison	Ramblers' Association, Leeds Group	LS16 5LF	05/05/2006	Weetwood	
0046	Ms Amy Heys	Environment Agency	LS11 8PG	05/05/2006	Beeston & Holbeck	
0052	Ms Felicite Dodd	English Nature	WF1 3BJ	05/05/2006	Not Leeds	
0058	Mr Mike Barningham	Countryside Agency	LS1 4BA	12/05/2006	City & Hunslet	
0060	Mr Graham Titchener	Highways Agency	LS1	25/04/2006	City & Hunslet	
0062	Mr Mike Piet	Leeds Civic Trust	LS2	04/05/2006	City & Hunslet	
0083	Mr Geoff Goodwill	Caddick Developments Ltd	LS22 6LH	05/05/2006	Wetherby	
0085	Mr John Thornton	CAMRA	LS6	03/05/2006	Weetwood	
0099	Mr Ian Smith	English Heritage	YO1 6WP	08/05/2006	Not Leeds	
0 198	Mr Steve Crocker	Leeds City Council		31/03/2006	City & Hunslet	
0 372	Ms Mary Crew	GVA Grimley	LS1 2JG Mr Dean Spencer	Leeds Lift Ltd	05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
0 787	Mr Andrew Wintersgill	David Lock Associates	MK9	SJS Property	12/05/2006	Not Leeds
0 806	Mr Richard Frudd	Indigo Planning	LS1 2ES	National Grid	08/05/2006	City & Hunslet
0 834	Ms Megan Godsell	Leeds Partnership Homes	LS2 8BB		08/05/2006	City & Hunslet
0 842	Ms Nicola Raper	Leeds City Council	LS1		08/05/2006	City & Hunslet
0 845	Ms Rachel Swindells	Leeds Initiative	LS1 3DL		12/04/2006	City & Hunslet
0 846	Dr Rachel Unsworth	University of Leeds	LS2 9JT		03/05/2006	Hyde Park & Woodhouse
1027	Mr Chris Creighton	Peacock and Smith	LS3 1AB	Wm Morrison	05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1455	Lora Hughes	DTZ	LS2 4BP Mr Max Rostron	Motor Auctions	05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1455	Lora Hughes	DTZ	LS2 4BP Mr David Brennan	Thyssen Krupp	05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1545	Mr John Davis	Resident	LS1		05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1780	Mr Ben Aspinall	Montpellier Estates	hg2 Not Leeds		08/05/2006	
1933	Mr John Davis	Metro	LS1		05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1940	Mr Tim Waring	Indigo Planning	LS1 2ES	Ikea Properties	05/05/2006	City & Hunslet

1940	Mr Tim Waring	Indigo Planning	LS1 2ES	B&Q Plc	08/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1957	J Thompson				04/05/2006	
1959	Mr Richard Robinson		LS12 2JX		04/05/2006	Armley
1970	Mr Jim Ramsay	Indigo Planning	LS1 2ES	Norwich Union Life &	08/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1971	Mr Tom Holvey	Leeds City Council	LS2		08/05/2006	
1982	Mrs Jayne Whitaker	Sport England	LS1 5PS		04/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1992	Ms Rose Foster	Healthy Living	LS9		05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1993	Mr Dave Stevens	Sustrans	LS1 4DT		03/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1994	Mr Peter Crawshaw	Government Office for Yorkshire & the	LS1		05/05/2006	City & Hunslet
1995	Ms Lynn Thornton		LS6		05/05/2006	Weetwood
1996	Mrs A L Stocks	Older Peoples Reference Group	LS15 4AQ		08/05/2006	Harewood
1997	Joe Atkinson	Leeds Sustainability Network			05/05/2006	
1998	Mr Tom Whitehead	West Properties (UK) Ltd	M2 5PE		08/05/2006	
1999	Mr Geoff Goodwill	Aire Valley Leeds Marketing Group	LS10 3EZ		08/05/2006	Middleton Park
2000	Miss Kayleigh Smith	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2001	Miss Natalie Shaw	Corpus Christi Catholic School	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2002	Miss Lorna Jackson	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2003	Miss Becca Cain	Corpus Christi Catholic School	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2004	Mr Ben Webster	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2005	Miss Jessica Lister	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2006	Miss Shannon Cadley	Corpus Christi School	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2007	Miss Murray	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2008	Miss Sarah Barker	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2009	A Skevington	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2010	Miss Samantha	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS14 5JF		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2011	Miss Abbie Loftus	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS8 2AJ		08/05/2006	Roundhay
2012	Ashley James	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS8		08/05/2006	Roundhay
2013	Mr Joe Brooke	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS15 8SB		08/05/2006	Cross Gates &
2014	Miss Verity Ward	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS15 8BJ		08/05/2006	Cross Gates &
2015	Mr Jamie Turner	Corpus Christi Catholic School	LS15 8SA		08/05/2006	Cross Gates &
2016	Mr Thomas Duggan	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2017	Mr Alexander Longfellow	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS18 8XH		08/05/2006	Cross Gates &
2018	Miss Sian Tuite	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS14 5BN		08/05/2006	Cross Gates &
2019	Mr Dwayne Stewart	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS15 0DB		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2020	Miss Rachael	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS14 5HQ		08/05/2006	Cross Gates &
2021	Miss Leanne Fahy	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9		08/05/2006	Gipton & Harehills

2022	Mr Andy Brown		LS7		09/05/2006	Chapel Allerton
2023	Miss Shauna Forsill	Corpus Christi Catholic School	LS9 0JY		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2024	Mr Curtis Onions	Corpus Christi Catholic School	LS14 5HS		08/05/2006	Cross Gates &
2025	Mr Danny Hollick	Corpus Christi Catholic School	LS9		08/05/2006	Gipton & Harehills
2026	Mr Mark Duree	Corpus Christi Catholic College	LS9 0TT		08/05/2006	Temple Newsam
2027	Mr Mike Dando	Yorkshire Planning Aid		East Park CA & Saxton	11/05/2006	
2027	Mr Mike Dando	Yorkshire Planning Aid		Park La College -	08/05/2006	
2027	Mr Mike Dando	Yorkshire Planning Aid		Park La College -	08/05/2006	
2027	Mr Mike Dando	Yorkshire Planning Aid		Park La College -	25/04/2006	
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