

Neighbourhood Planning in Outer North East June 2017



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The National Picture

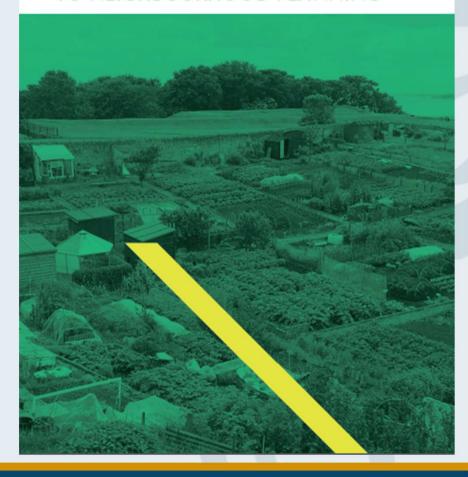
- There are over 2,000 neighbourhoods engaged in neighbourhood planning (covering 15% of the country)
- 350 plans have neighbourhood plans have successfully passed examination since 2012
- Housing White Paper and Neighbourhood Planning Act 2017

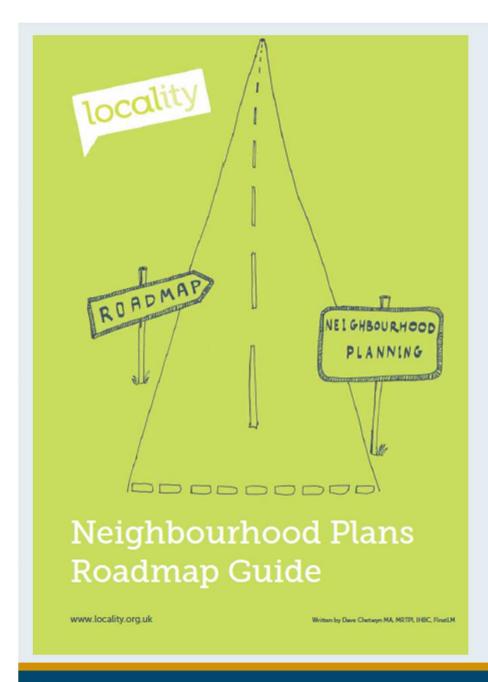






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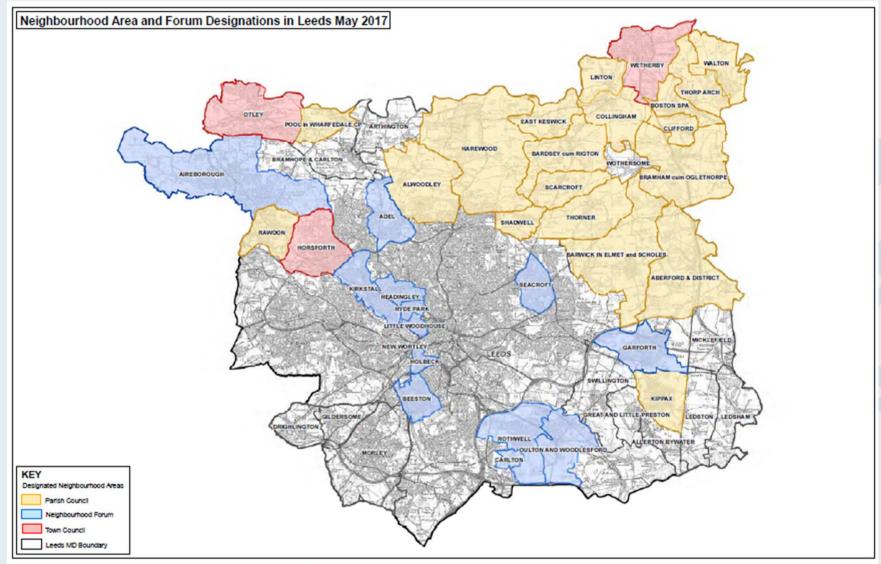




The Leeds Neighbourhood Planning Context

- Core Strategy adopted November 2014
- Site Allocations Plan submitted to the Secretary of State on 5th May 2017 - Examination in Public likely to begin in October 2017
- 20 Neighbourhood and Village Design Statements the start of neighbourhood planning in Leeds?
- Leeds' first 'made' Plan March 2017 Clifford
- Collingham Plan due to be 'made'
- Leeds recognised nationally for the level of support that we provide to NP groups





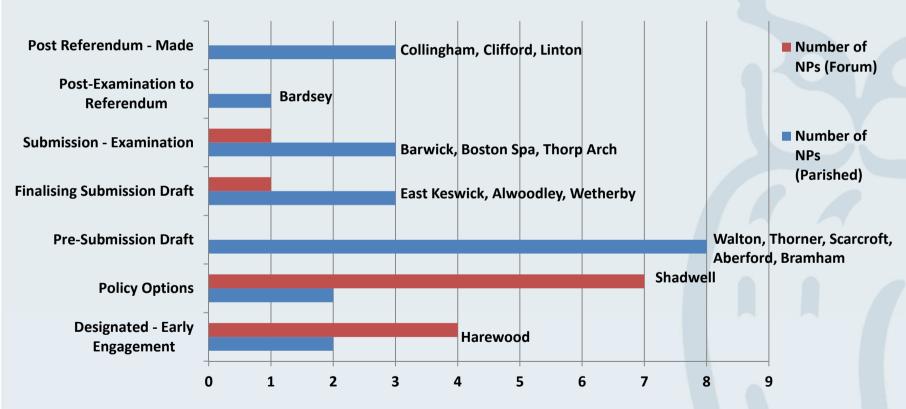
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Leeds Neighbourhood Planning Progress

13 Forum Areas
22 Parished Areas





Wetherby Neighbourhood Plan

- Number of policies 13
- Allocations none
- **Projects** 5 priority areas
- Consultation early engagement, Regulation 14 Pre-Submission Consultation (January – May 2017)
- Estimated submission date summer 2017
- Officer Support officer attendance at steering groups, officerled workshop in Wetherby, informal comments on emerging plan, general advice and support on process and content, SEA screening, formal comments on Pre-Submission plan
- Consultant support David Gluck



Wetherby Vision

"Wetherby will be a fair, inclusive and high quality sustainable place to live and work and will strive to maintain and enhance its character as a genuine market town."



Policies (Wetherby):

Provision of New Housing:

- H1: Provide an appropriate mix of housing development to fit identified local need, including adaptable housing
- H2: Quality and layout of housing developments identification of 3 character areas and settings standards for the design of new developments, e.g. respecting local design, adequate parking provision, locally distinctive materials and encouraging a "sense of place"

Working and the Economy:

- WE1: Town centre development encouraging the retention of existing shopping facilities, encouraging office development to be in keeping with local design, encouraging the re-use of redundant space above existing retail units
- WE2: Sustainable tourism enhancement enhancing the tourism offer provided that proposals demonstrate a travel plan, a widening of the town's appeal and are in keeping with local scale and design

Health, Wellbeing and Leisure:

- HWL1: Sport and leisure facilities increasing the provision of accessible sport and leisure facilities
- HWL2: Community facilities encouraging increased provision of community facilities, and mitigating against the loss of 20 identified facilities
- HWL3: Health care facilities encouraging the provision of new healthcare facilities



Policies cont'd (Wetherby):

Policies:

Education:

 E1: Wetherby High School site – encouraging the redevelopment of the Wetherby High School site encouraging the enhancement of the local character, provision sufficient playing fields, maximisation of pedestrian accessibility and integration of green infrastructure into the site

Environment and Sustainability:

- ENV1: Protecting conservation and heritage sites identification of 10 local heritage assets and encouraging their conservation and enhancement
- ENV2: Local Green Spaces designation of 19 Local Green Spaces
- ENV3: Green corridors identifying, and seeking to protect and enhance 2 local green corridors

Design:

- D1: The character of the Conservation Area encouraging the positive contribution to the character of the Conservation through key characteristics, such as traditional building materials, fenestration, focal points and positive buildings/structures, mix of office and residential uses, and visually important trees
- D2: Connectivity of new developments encouraging new developments to provide good connections to the town and surrounding countryside



Alwoodley Neighbourhood Plan

- Number of policies: 13
- Allocations: none, looking to shape proposed SAP allocation HG2-36 in Alwoodley
- **Projects**: 7 priority areas
- Consultation and engagement early engagement, Regulation
 14 Pre-Submission Consultation (July August 2016)
- Estimated submission date summer 2017
- Officer Support: officer attendance at initial meeting (including assistance in setting up steering group), numerous meetings with officers, informal comments on emerging plan, general advice on process and content, formal comments on PreSubmission plan, SEA screening
- Consultant support David Gluck



Alwoodley Vision:

"To protect the character of the parish for current and future generations whilst improving the facilities, safety and health for those living and working here and enabling residents to live in the parish throughout their lives. This includes ensuring that our main residential area remains bounded by countryside to the north and west, which provides leisure opportunities for the parish and the wider Leeds community, protects wildlife and biodiversity and enables farming and associated land based activities to continue."



Policies (Alwoodley):

The Countryside and the Natural Environment:

- CNE1: Protecting and enhancing woodlands
- CNE2: Street trees encouraging new development to incorporate street trees and discouraging the loss of existing street trees along certain streets
- CNE3: Respecting and enhancing the countryside character local materials and vernacular architecture, boundary treatments and key views

• The Built Environment:

- BE1: Local Green Spaces designation of 16 Local Green Spaces
- BE2: Green Spaces within residential areas identification of 12 green spaces within residential areas and discouraging the development of these (distinctive from the "designation" above)
- BE3: Local character and design identification of 5 character areas and key guiding principles for the design of new developments
- BE4: Reducing on street congestion setting parking standards for new developments with both off-street and on-street parking, promoting walking, cycling and the use of public transport



Policies cont'd (Alwoodley):

Community and Recreational Facilities:

- CRF1: Protecting and improving existing community facilities (24 in total)
- CRF2: Sport and recreational facilities encouraging the provision of sport and recreational facilities, including new Public Rights of Way, informal green spaces, play areas and other forms of leisure facilities

Economy and Business:

- EB1: Neighbourhood shopping centres protection of neighbourhood shopping centres against conversion to residential uses
- EB2:Support for small business

Housing:

- H1: Responding to local needs
- H2: Design of new housing developments (SAP Site HG2-36) key guiding principles in the event of HG2-36 being allocated



East Keswick Neighbourhood Plan

Number of policies: 14

• Allocations: none

• Projects: none

- Consultation and engagement series of early engagement and consultation events, Regulation 14 Pre-Submission Consultation (23rd June 2016 – 4th August 2016)
- Estimated submission date summer/autumn 2017
- Officer Support meetings with steering group members, informal comments on emerging plan, officer policy and evidence review, mapping support, SEA screening, formal comments at Pre-Submission Consultation
- Consultant support David Gluck



East Keswick Vision:

"In 2028 East Keswick will be a community with a historic rural character, a good range of high quality homes and community facilities fulfilling local needs. It will maintain and develop local services, with a network of safe pedestrian routes, and support for a variety of locally based employment opportunities. It will be a parish which will continue to improve and extend the protection of wildlife habitats and biodiversity and conserve the green space in and around the parish."



Policies (East Keswick):

Housing:

- H1: Adequate provision of new homes housing development to fit identified local need
- H2: Enhancing energy efficiency of new homes meeting or exceeding the Code for Sustainable Homes Level 4

Building and Village Design:

- BVD1: Character and design respecting the heritage and landscape character in East Keswick through using appropriate materials, retaining important trees, considering key views, boundary treatments, parking provision, etc.
- BVD2: Ensuring a positive relationship with the surrounding landscape identification of key "gateways" into East Keswick, inclusion of landscaping schemes to enhance visual transition between built development and natural landscape
- BVD3: Unlit villages aspirational policy to respect rural character and unlit nature of East Keswick, restriction of light pollution

• Community Services and Facilities:

- CSF1: Maintenance of community amenities identification of 8 community amenities that should be maintained, encouraging development of new community amenities
- CSF2: Recreational facilities for the younger people encouraging development of new leisure facilities aimed at meeting the needs of younger people



Policies cont'd (East Keswick):

Employment and Local Businesses:

- ELB1: Small business development encouraging new business development that doesn't inconvenience neighbours or generate noise issues and that respects the local environment
- ELB2: Farm diversification encouraging farm diversification provided that it does not generate significant traffic movements, congestion issues, or the loss of high quality agricultural land

• Environment:

- E1: Special Landscape Area development in the Special Landscape Area should respect defined characteristics such as the farmed countryside, listed buildings, River Wharfe valley, small becks forming green corridors and hedgerows that form field boundaries
- E2: Green corridors identification of 4 local green corridors to be protected for their multifunctional wildlife, amenity and recreational value
- E3: Local Green Spaces designation of 10 Local Green Spaces
- E4: Conservation of wildlife habitats and biodiversity promoting the enhancement of local biodiversity
- E5: Movement and accessibility retaining and enhancing existing footpaths, cycling and horse riding routes, in particular the former railway line from Bardsey to Collingham



Walton Neighbourhood Plan

- Number of policies 17
- Allocations 3 housing allocations for up to 20 new homes
- Projects 4 priority areas
- Consultation and engagement expected Pre-Submission Consultation date (July – August 2017)
- Support officer attendance at early meeting, advice and support at steering group meetings, two workshops with officers, Sustainability Appraisal, Design Concept Statement, officer evidence base review, informal comments on emerging plan, general advice on process and content, mapping support, SEA screening
- Consultant support David Gluck



Walton Vision:

"By 2028 Walton will have maintained its unique identity, its beauty and its charm as well as enjoying an enhanced community spirit, resulting from investment in new and existing facilities. New homes will have attracted new residents as well as enabling existing residents to remain in the community. Transformed transport and communications infrastructure will have made Walton an even better place to live and work in than today."



Policies:

Heritage and Green Spaces:

- HG1: Local Green Spaces designation of 4 Local Green Spaces
- HG2: New Green Spaces encouraging new development to address identified deficiencies in green space provision in Walton
- HG3: Local Non-Designated Heritage Assets identification of 5 non-designated heritage assets for conservation and enhancement
- HG4: Local Design encouraging new developments to reflect positive design features within the Walton Conservation Area
- HG5: Key Views identification of key views that should be respected and maintained

Community Facilities:

- CF1: Protecting and Improving Existing Community Facilities identification of 4 community facilities to be registered as Assets of Community Value and encouraging improvements to these facilities
- CF2: New and Improved Community Facilities encouraging the provision of community / recreational facilities



Policies (cont'd):

Transport:

- T1: Traffic Movement encouraging new developments on key roads in the village to mitigate potential impacts on local traffic through provision of traffic calming measures
- T2: Public Rights of Way encouraging developments to contribute to the provision of footpaths and cycleways

Housing:

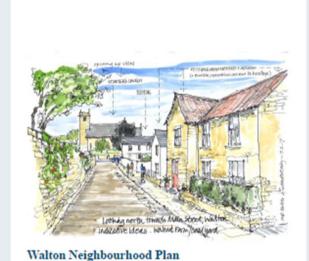
- H1: Sites for New Homes identifying the 3 housing allocations and setting out design principles
- H2 H4: Housing Allocations
- H5: Residential Car Parking provision of adequate off-street parking

Business and Employment:

- BE1: Information and Communications Technology: improvements to ICT infrastructure to support home working
- BE2: Supporting Employment and Enterprise supporting small-scale business development and farm diversification
- BE3: Thorp Arch Estate supporting the development of small businesses on the Thorp Arch Estate provided that there are minimal impacts on local traffic and the green setting of the Estate.



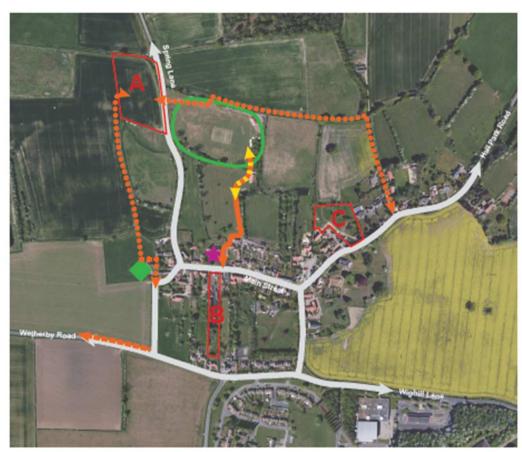
Proposed Housing Sites:



Opportunities for Residential Development Concept Statement

May 2017





▲ Illustration of potential development sites and proposed/existing connections and green space improvements

Key

Potential development sites

Existing highways

Existing footpath

New cycle route

Permissive footpath

Indicative proposed footpath

Church

Proposed green space

Cricket pitch



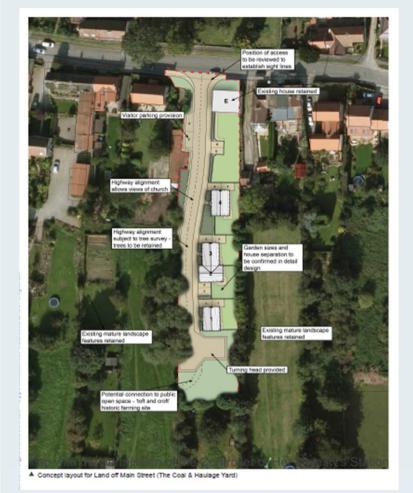
H2: Land West of Spring Lane / Walton Cricket Pitch







H3: Land South of Main Street (Coal Yard)







H4: Land off Hall Park Road









<u>Aberford Neighbourhood Plan</u>

- Number of policies 15
- Allocations None, but intention to set out key guiding principles for the development of Parlington site if allocated for housing
- **Projects** 5 priority areas
- Consultation and engagement policy intentions, informal site consultation, early engagement and consultation events, Presubmission consultation scheduled 30th June – 11th August
- Support support with process and content, attendance at Parish Council and Steering Group meetings, advice on boundary issues, informal comments on emerging plan, SEA screening, workshop scheduled 19th June
- Consultant support Mike Dando



Aberford Vision:

"In 2028, the village of Aberford and its surrounding rural hinterland will be both very much the same and much-changed.

Its essential countryside character and historic architectural legacy will be intact and enhanced, with a distinctive and little-changed linear village still at the heart of a centuries old parkland estate landscape.

At the same time, the new settlement of Parlington will have grown and be developing, still within the framework of the old estate, largely separate and invisible from Aberford village, limited in its daily impact on the historic settlement, but with community facilities and job opportunities enjoyed by and easily accessible to both new and old residents.

The village itself will have grown incrementally and in keeping with the quality and appearance of existing buildings and spaces, providing new homes for young and old. Key community assets will remain and have been improved, with a transformed village hall facility at the hub. The green spaces at the village's heart will have prospered and will radiate out into the surrounding countryside and link to new Parlington, while public transport links will be wider and much improved.

Opportunities for all to live, work and play in a safe, healthy and attractive environment will have been sustained and expanded."



Policies (Aberford):

Environment

- E1: Special Landscape Areas new developments should have regard to the areas' landscape character and contribute positively to restoration and enhancement of these
- E2: Local Green Infrastructure identification of positive local green infrastructure that should be enhanced or extended
- E3: Protection and Enhancement of Natural Heritage Assets identification of 7
 natural heritage assets and seeking to protect against development that would
 adversely affect their natural heritage value
- E4: Local Green Space designation of Local Green Spaces (yet tbc.)
- E5: Local Green Space Enhancement promoting the enhancement of the Aberford Pond LGS

Built Heritage

 BH1: Protection and Enhancement of Built Heritage Assets – identification of local non-designated heritage assets and seeking to conserve and enhance them



Policies cont'd (Aberford):

Community Facilities and Services

- CF1: Protection and Enhancement of Facilities identification of 8 community facilities
- CF2: Provision of New Facilities encouraging the provision of new community facilities within Aberford Village (located with the village core)
- CF3: Aberford Village Hall Site encouraging the redevelopment of the Aberford Village Hall site for alternative community or mixed housing and community uses, e.g. health facilities, a village shop, nursery, affordable housing or car parking
- CF4: Coal Staithes encouraging the redevelopment of the Coal Staithes site for a new village hall, village shop, health facilities or car parking

Design and Development

- DD1: Design and Development in Aberford Conservation Area: setting out design principles for design within or adjacent to the Conservation Area
- DD2: Design and Development Outside the Conservation Area: setting out design requirements for development outside of the conservation area



Policies cont'd (Aberford):

Housing

- H1: Development on Non-Allocated Sites setting out principles such as reducing impact on road safety, access to the local road network, off street parking provision, consistency with linear form of the village, etc.
- H2: Housing Mix housing to suit identified needs in the village such as smaller households and the needs of the elderly community

Parlington New Settlement

 PNS1: Parlington New Settlement Master Planning – guidance for the development of the Parlington New Settlement in the event that it is allocated.
 NB – upcoming workshop with LCC Officers and NP group to discuss scope of NP to shape the potential allocation in mid-June



Scarcroft Neighbourhood Plan

- Number of policies 20
- Allocations none, intention to shape proposed SAP allocation at Scarcroft Lodge, HG2-26
- **Projects** 3 priority areas
- Consultation and engagement questionnaire, consultation draft document, informal sites consultation, scheduled Pre-Submission Consultation 30th June – 11th August
- **Support** meetings with steering group members, informal comments on emerging plan, mapping support
- Consultant support David Gluck (Mike Dando)



Scarcroft Vision:

"Scarcroft in 2028 will be a vibrant and balanced location in which to live, close to the city centre and universities, while at the same time retaining its established rural character and special identity and status as one of the best parts of the city to live in".



Policies (Scarcroft):

Green Environment:

- GE1: Special Landscape Area protecting the character of the Special Landscape Area identified between Collingham/East Keswick/Bardsey/Scarcroft/Thorner and Shadwell
- GE2: Local Green Infrastructure identification of local green infrastructure and seeking to protect and enhance these assets
- GE3: Protection and Enhancement of Natural Heritage Assets identification of local natural heritage assets for protection and enhancement
- GE4: Local Green Space Designation of 15 Local Green Spaces
- GE5: Local Green Space Enhancement encouraging the enhancement of 5 Local Green Spaces
- GE6: Identified Local Green Space encouraging a green space improvement plan
- GE7: Provision of New Green Space encouraging the provision of new green spaces
- GE8: Scarcroft Lodge Tennis Courts aspiration to shape Scarcroft Lodge Tennis Courts



Policies cont'd (Scarcroft):

Built Environment:

- BE1: Scarcroft Hill Heritage Area: identification of Scarcroft Hill as heritage area as a potential pre-cursor to a formal Conservation Area
- BE2: Protection and Enhancement of Non-Designated Heritage Assets –
 identification of 14 non-designated heritage assets for conservation and
 enhancement
- BE3: Development and Design in the Conservation Area setting key guiding principles for new development in the Conservation Area
- BE4: Development and Design outside the Conservation Area and Local Heritage
 Area setting design principles for outside of these areas

Community Facilities and Services:

- CF1: Protection and Enhancement of Community Facilities identification of 4 local community facilities to be maintained and enhanced, alternative provision should development result in a loss of these facilities
- CF2: Provision of New Community Facilities encouraging the provision of new community facilities, in particular health, childcare and educational
- CF3: Retail Development in Scarcroft Village encouraging the development of a stand-alone food store on Wetherby Road



Policies cont'd (Scarcroft):

Housing:

- H1: Wetherby Road/Scarcroft Lodge Site (HG2-26) key guiding principles in the event of this site being allocated coming forward for re-development
- H2: Development of Non-Allocated Sites criteria for development adjacent to the built-up area of Scarcroft, inc. mitigating impact on natural and heritage environment, connectivity, off-street parking provision, etc.
- H3: Housing Density setting housing density at 10dph
- H4: Housing Mix housing development to provide appropriate mix of housing subject to identified local need, inc. development above 50 units to provide up-todate housing needs assessment
- H5: Local Occupancy still in draft



Thorner Neighbourhood Plan

- Number of policies 10
- Allocations None
- **Projects** 5 priority areas
- Consultation and engagement meetings with steering group members, informal comments on emerging plan, expected Pre-Submission Consultation autumn 2017
- Officer Support advice on designation, governance, process and plan content, informal comments on emerging plan, SEA screening
- Consultant support Allyson Lynnegar



Thorner Vision:

"Our vision is to maintain the character of Thorner as a distinctive rural community set in a special landscape setting, conserving its rich historic and architectural heritage and ensuring that new development reflects the qualities and characteristics that people value in the Parish."



Policies:

- Policy 1: Design of New Development identifying character areas and encouraging new developments to reflect high standards of design evidenced throughout the Neighbourhood Area
- Policy 2: Extensions to Residential Properties discouraging potential negative impacts of house extensions
- Policy 3: Garden Development encouraging the maintenance of existing provision of garden spaces, discouraging garden development
- Policy 4: Green Spaces designation of 6 Local Green Spaces
- Policy 5: Trees encouraging the retention of trees with good arboriculture or amenity value, integration of existing trees into new developments
- Policy 6: Views identification of 21 key views that should remain uninterrupted
- Policy 7: Light Pollution seeking to maintain "unlit village"



Policies (cont'd):

- Policy 8: Parking encouraging provision of adequate off-street parking and parking to have minimal impact on the street scene
- Policy 9: Pedestrian and Cycle Links encouraging the provision of increased networks of cycleways and footpaths, allowing greater access to village centre, green spaces and open countryside
- Policy 10: Flooding and Drainage mitigation of flood risk and encouragement of incorporation of SUDs



Bramham Neighbourhood Plan

- Number of policies 10
- Allocations None
- Projects 12 priority areas
- Consultation and engagement survey, initial consultation,
 Pre-Submission Consultation anticipated summer/autumn
 2017
- Officer Support regular meetings with steering group members, advice on plan content and process, informal comments on emerging plan, SEA screening
- Consultant support David Gluck



Bramham Vision:

"Bramham in 2027 will be a village set in some of the highest quality countryside in Yorkshire, with historic parkland on our doorstep. Our village too is steeped in history and is wonderfully conserved. The facilities we have now buck the trend of decline in rural areas, with a well attended primary school on our doorstep, shops, pubs, community buildings and vibrant and dynamic community groups and societies serving all ages."



Policies (Bramham):

Community Assets:

 CA1: Protect and Enhance Existing Community Facilities – identification of 14 community facilities to protected from loss and enhanced where possible

• Leisure and Recreation:

 LR1: Improving Public Rights of Way – supporting improvements to existing rights of way and encouraging the provision of new paths, tracks or links

Housing:

 HOU1: Housing Type and Mix – encouraging provision of housing to meet identified local need

Transport:

 T1: Improve Local Transport and Transport Links – encouraging new development to provide pedestrian access/links to existing or proposed footpaths, improving non-motorised accessible routes and public transport services that link the village together, provide access to the surrounding countryside and link to Tadcaster and York



Policies cont'd (Bramham):

Natural Environment:

- NE1: Local Green Space designation of 11 Local Green Spaces
- NE2: Nature Areas and Biodiversity identification of nature areas that should be protected for their nature conservation value

Heritage:

- H1: Non-designated Heritage Assets identification of 7 non-designated heritage assets for conservation and enhancement
- H2: Development within the Conservation Area encouraging locallysensitive design within the Conservation Area
- H3: Development outside the Conservation Area encouraging development outside of the Conservation Area to respect the surrounding built form, reflect local building design, provide appropriate local infrastructure and reflect the best of design within the Conservation Area
- H4: Key Views identification of 8 short range and 8 long range views to be respected and maintained



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Leeds Neighbourhood Planning Newsletter: May 2017

There has been a lot of neighbourhood planning activity during

2017 so we felt that an update on the key issues both locally and nationally would help the 30 + groups in Leeds. We hope you will find it useful. If you have any questions please contact:

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http://www.leeds.gov.uk/council/Pages/Neighbourhoodplanning.aspx

Site Allocations Plan

The Site Allocations Plan has now been submitted to the Secretary of State for Examination in Public which is likely to start in October this year. We are awaiting further details from the Inspector about how they would like to hold the Examination, and will be in touch when we know more.

After the Examination, the Inspector may suggest some further modifications to the Plan. If so, these will be consulted on for a further minimum of six weeks. We will then await the Inspector's Report, and adopt the Plan, anticipated Winter 2017/18.

Cliffor

The Clifford Neighbourhood Plan is the first Leeds plan to be 'made' and was formally adopted by the Council's Executive Board on 22rd March. It will now be used by the Council to help decide planning applications in the Clifford Neighbourhood Area. Councillor Judith Blake, the Leader of the Council and fellow Executive Board Members were keen to congratulate Clifford Parish Council on a plan that is seen as an 'exemplar'. Executive Board also stressed their support for ongoing work to support neighbourhood planning in Leeds and to explore how to widen the coverage of Neighbourhood Plans.

Clifford Neighbourhood Plan contains 11 policies for the Clifford Neighbourhood Area, covering subjects such as housing mix, design, community facilities, heritage assets, Local Green Spaces, key views, cycleways and Public Transport. The Plan was examined by Rosemary Kidd, read the Examiner's Report here.

Clifford Referendum Question — Do you want Leeds City Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Clifford to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?

Response	Votes
Yes	290 (91.77%)
No	26 (8.22%)
Turnout	23.81%

Date for your Diaries

On Friday 12th May Leeds Planning Network is hosting a conference at Leeds Beckett University, Neighbourhood Planning in One City. Book your place to get an insight into design, Neighbourhood Planning Law, practical advice and support, and have the opportunity to network with other NP groups from Leeds and beyond!





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