7.00 pm

To all Members of the Planning Committee

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE** to be held in the **EXHIBITION ROOM** at **THE CIVIC, HUDDERSFIELD ROAD, HOLMFIRTH HD9 3AS** on **MONDAY 30 JANUARY 2023** at **700pm** to transact the following business: -

- AGENDA – (A)

#### Welcome

#### **Open Session at Planning**

At the commencement of the meeting, there will be an open session lasting up to 15 minutes, for members of the public to address Members of the Committee in connection with planning applications to be considered at the meeting. This session allows both applicants and objectors to address Members. Any other information relating to items on the agenda will be considered as part of the agenda item.

Issues/concerns/information not related to any item on the agenda will be considered at a later date or referred to the appropriate body.

#### 2223 135 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of 7.15 pm Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014

As Local (Parish and Town) Council meetings can now be recorded, the Chairman to check if any members of the public wish to record the meeting, to ensure reasonable facilities can be provided. The meeting is already being recorded by the Officer for public broadcast via the Holme Valley Parish Council YouTube channel.

| 2223 136 | To accept apologies for absence   | 7.16 pm |
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| 2223 137 | To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda | 7.17 pm |
| 2223 138 | To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations  | 7.18 pm |
| 2223 139 | To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session                        | 7.19 pm |

 Any recording to be halted during such items and members of the public asked to leave the meeting.

| 2223 140 | To confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting   | 7.20 pm |
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|          | <ul> <li>Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 09 January 2023,<br/>numbered 2223 117 – 2223 134 inclusive (B)</li> </ul>  |         |
| 2223 141 | Completed Kirklees Planning Applications List  | 7.21 pm |
|          | - To note List 2223-08 updated with the views of the Committee. <b>(C)</b>   |         |
| 2223 142 | Kirklees Council - New Planning Applications   | 7.22 pm |
|          | <ul> <li>To consider, new or amended applications received from Kirklees<br/>Council 03 January 2022 to 24 January 2023 inclusive – List 2223-09<br/>enclosed (D)</li> </ul>   |         |
| 2223 143 | Kirklees Council - Planning Officers' Decisions  | 7.50 pm |
|          | - To note, the list of Decision Notices issued by Kirklees Council for the period 03 January 2022 to 24 January 2023 inclusive <b>(E)</b>  |         |
| 2223 144 | Kirklees Planning Appeal   | 7.52 pm |
|          | <ul> <li>To consider, submitting a comment to a planning appeal hearing. The<br/>Parish Council's previous comment on this application was "Support," so<br/>contradicted Kirklees' decision. (F)</li> </ul>   |         |
| 2223 145 | Neighbourhood Planning and Reviewing Parish Council Outcomes   | 7.54 pm |
| i.       | <ul> <li>Conservation Area Awareness         <ul> <li>To note, the Deputy Clerk has emailed Helen Bower, Kirklees</li> <li>Conservation Team Manager, regarding the possibility of co-working some aspects of sharing information on Conservation Area Awareness.</li> <li>(G) Deputy Clerk to report.</li> <li>As resolved, the Deputy Clerk will continue to share more maps of the local conservation areas over the coming months with restatements of the restrictions and duties placed on home and business owners due to the conservation area. The posts will, though, be less frequent to avoid saturation as the posts essentially repeat the same information just with different maps/areas highlighted.</li> <li>To consider, any further action to promote public awareness of local conservation areas.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |         |

#### ii. - Lord's Mill

As reported at the last meeting, Kirklees at this stage decided to not take any action with regard to the dereliction of Lord's Mill. The Committee Chair was to communicate this to the resident who originally raised the issue. Committee Chair to report. To consider, any further actions.

#### iii. - Traffic calming including 20MPH Limits and Zones

- To note, Kirklees' response to Cllr Hogley's comment to the consultation on the proposed Holmfirth Traffic Regulation Order. **(H)**
- At the last meeting, it was resolved to secure a meeting with Kirklees Holme Valley South ward Councillors to discuss traffic- and highwaysrelated issues. The meeting was due to be held 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Chair to report.

To consider any further action.

 The Parish Council wrote to our MP after the last meeting and an emailed reply was received quickly. (I, J) To consider any further action.

# iv. - Parish Council Actions from the Neighbourhood Development Plan

To note, the Deputy Clerk has posted Cllr Hogley's article on the Neighbourhood Plan to the Parish Council website and to the Facebook Holmfirth and Honley community pages about the one-year anniversary of the Neighbourhood Plan.

To note, further information will be posted on the progress by the Parish Council against the 51 actions of the Neighbourhood Development Plan after Council 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

To consider any further action.

#### 2223 146 Peak District National Park Authority

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- To note List 2223-06PD updated with the views of the Committee. (K)
- To note, as already shared by email, the information regarding Membership of the Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA).
   Parish Councillors who are elected in the coming May election may opt to put themselves forward for ballot for selection as a Member of the PDNPA for the area designated "High Peak & Metropolitan", covering all the Peak Park parishes in High Peak, Greater Manchester and Yorkshire.

8.10 pm

# 2223 147 Ongoing Highways campaigns

The ongoing campaigns are:

#### i. Concerns of local residents regarding speeding and noise pollution on Woodhead Road Holmbridge to Holme

 To note, the email exchange between the Deputy Clerk and Mark Scarr, Head of Highways at Kirklees. (L) The Road Safety Team did not previously respond to directives from their Head of Service to action this request but perhaps this time will be different. Deputy Clerk to report any update.

To consider any further actions at this time.

#### ii. Campaign for a Safer Magdale

- To note, we are still awaiting the delayed report from Kirklees on speed tests for Magdale. The Deputy Clerk has emailed Highways about the results of the tests.

#### iii. Hade Edge Road Intersection

- Update on the proposed road scheme. Chair to report. To consider any further actions at this time.

#### iv. Burnlee Road Closure

 To note, the email from Mark Scarr, Kirklees Head of Highways, received the day before the 2-year Anniversary of the closure or Burnlee Road to traffic. (M)

To consider any further actions at this time.

#### v. Ramsden Road

 If required, any updates on developments pertaining to the lanes and byways around Ramsden, Riding Wood, Yateholme and Brownhill Reservoirs to be shared.
 To consider any further actions at this time.

# 2223 148 Holmfirth Blueprint

 To note, Zoe Stewart is leaving the Holmfirth Blueprint project. A final review and catch-up meeting with her has been arranged for Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 2pm in The Exhibition Room. All Members are welcome to attend. 8.20 pm

# 2223 149 Hinchliffe Mill Access Concerns

A resident has asked for support from the Parish Council about highways safety in the area around the new housing development planned for the old mill site in Hinchliffe Mill. (N)
 To consider, any further action on this concern.

#### 2223 150 Hinchliffe Mill 5G Mast

The end-date of this pre-application consultation has passed. It was received when there was no Planning Committee meeting to consider it. The Deputy Clerk asked the developer if a late response from the Parish Council could be sent after this meeting, - 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023, - but no reply was received. The notification describes the site as Booth House but it is actually Woodhead Road, Hinchliffe Mill, at the bottom of Stubbin Lane. (O)

To consider, or otherwise, a belated response by the Parish Council to this pre-consultation.

#### 2223 151 Planning Policy and Guidance

 The opportunity to comment on a draft Environmental Planning Guidance document was sent to Cllr Blacka, but with little supporting information. The email came from the Policy Manager at the National Association of Local Councils (NALC), and the author of the draft works for the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC). The Parish Council has the opportunity to comment on this document directly to the author. To consider commenting on this document. (P)

#### 2223 152 Footpaths and Public Rights of Way

- Nothing to note.

#### 2223 153 Remaining Committee Budget 2022-23

 To note, the Planning Committee has one budget line under its remit. This is 4505 Neighbourhood Plan. Its purpose is to support initiatives arising from the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan. At the start of the year, the budget contained £10,000. Since then, it has been resolved that £3,000 is to be earmarked for the Holmfirth Market project. And the Committee is to recommend to Council to earmark the remaining £7,000 for projects and initiatives for traffic calming and 20mph zones. The latter will go to Council 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023 for approval. 8.25 pm

8.28 pm

# 8.30 pm

8.31 pm

# 2223 154 Publicising the work of Holme Valley Parish Council

- To note, the Deputy Clerk's report on the metrics of Holme Valley Parish Council's planning-related posts to Facebook over the past year. Deputy
- Clerk to report. (Q)
  To consider, recent events or news that this Committee wishes to publicise via the press, Parish Council website or social media.

Close 8.35 pm

Please note that timings on the agenda are given for guidance of the Chairman and Committee only and should not be taken as the time at which discussion of a particular item will commence.

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Telephone: 01484 687460 Email: <u>deputy clerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> 8.32 pm

# DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE HELD AT THE CIVIC, HOLMFIRTH MONDAY 9 JANUARY 2023

Those present: Chair: Cllr M Blacka Councillors: Cllr P Colling, Cllr T Dixon, Cllr C Green, Cllr R Hogley, Cllr A Wilson Officer: Mr Rich McGill (Deputy Clerk/RFO)

#### Welcome

# **Open Session at Planning**

The Chair welcomed Members to the open session on planning. The Chair also welcomed one member of the public who joined the open session by Zoom to comment on a specific planning application.

## 2223 117 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014

Council meetings can now be recorded. The meeting was recorded by the Officer for public broadcast via the Holme Valley Parish Council YouTube channel. No other requests to record the meeting were received.

## 2223 118 To approve apologies for absence

Cllr RP Dixon has a dispensation for absence currently in place. **RESOLVED**: The reason for his absence was approved by the Committee.

# 2223 119 To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

Cllr Wilson disclosed a personal interest in application 2223/08/13 being considered under agenda item 124.

# 2223 120 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations

None had been received.

# **2223 121** To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

No items were requested to be discussed in private session.

# 2223 122 To confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

**RESOLVED:** The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 5 December 2022, numbered 2223 99 – 2223 116 inclusive were confirmed.

# 2223 123 Completed Kirklees Planning Applications List

**NOTED:** The Planning Committee noted List 2223/07 updated with the views of the Committee.

#### 2223 124 New Planning Applications – Kirklees Council

Members considered new or amended applications received by Kirklees Council from 29 November 2022 to 3 January 2023 inclusive – List 2223/08. At this point, the order of the applications was amended so that the member of the public in attendance by Zoom could have that application heard first. The member of the public left the Zoom meeting after that application was heard.

**RESOLVED:** That the Planning Committee's comments on the above applications be forwarded to Kirklees Council by the Deputy Clerk.

## 2223 125 Kirklees Council – Planning Officers' Decisions

**NOTED:** The Planning Committee noted the list of Decision Notices issued by Kirklees Council for the period 29 November 2022 to 3 January 2023 inclusive.

## 2223 126 Neighbourhood Planning and Reviewing Parish Council Outcomes

## i. Conservation Area Awareness

**NOTED**: It was noted that the Deputy Clerk had posted one additional conservation area map, - that of Holme Village to the Facebook Parish Council page, shared to Holmfirth Community. There did not seem to be a relevant Holme Village community page. There was some considered comment again about the lack of monitoring of development within conservation areas. Councillors queried whether the commenter had raised any concerns regarding specific developments. The Deputy Clerk would direct people to Kirklees Planning Enforcement.

The Deputy Clerk would continue to share more maps of the local conservation areas over the coming weeks with restatements of the restrictions and duties placed on home and business owners due to the conservation area.

The Deputy Clerk had been tasked with contacting the Conservation Officer Team Leader with a view to co-working on conservation area awareness. There had been

communication from that team (see below), but there had been no communication on partnership-working regarding conservation areas.

**RESOLVED**: It was resolved that the Deputy Clerk would try to make contact with the new team leader to start a dialogue on partnership-working regarding information on conservation areas.

Members suggested that printed copies of relevant maps of conservation areas should be shared to local libraries.

#### ii. Lord's Mill

**NOTED**: The Deputy Clerk reported that he had received a communication from the Kirklees Conservation Officer team on the dilapidation of Grade 2 listed Lord's Mill, Honley. The Kirklees team did not advocate to do anything at this stage to inspect the damage to Lord's Mill nor to impose any enforcements. They advised that their approach at this stage will be to monitor and review the site, with the request that local people and the Parish Council should report any noticeable changes. The Parish Council was disappointed in this resolution.

**RESOLVED**: It was resolved that the Committee Chair would forward the communication from Kirklees to the member of the public who had drawn the Parish Council's attention to the state of the Mill for comment.

#### iii. Parish Council Actions from the Neighbourhood Development Plan

**NOTED**: Members noted that the Chair had finalised the report on the progress by the Parish Council against the 51 actions of the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan, taking account of discussions with this Committee. This has been forwarded to the Clerk for inclusion on the Council agenda 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Cllrs Blacka and Hogley would both report to that meeting.

**NOTED**: Cllr Hogley had submitted a short, space-limited article to the January edition of the TiTo Holme Valley highlighting the 1-year anniversary of the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan and sharing some of the progress that had been made. She had also written a longer article for sharing to the Parish Council's website and to social media which the Deputy Clerk would share.

#### iv. Traffic calming including 20MPH Limits and Zones

- At the last meeting, it was resolved that the Parish Council would invite Kirklees Holme Valley South ward Councillors to a meeting to discuss traffic calming including asking why Kirklees is not focused on instituting 20mph zones in residential areas. Invitations were emailed out. The Deputy Clerk had reported that Cllr Crook and Cllr Firth would be able to attend a meeting at The Civic at 7pm Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Unfortunately, Cllr Davies was unavailable for both suggested dates, but he advised that Cllr Crook essentially shared his views on traffic calming in the Holme Valley.
   **RESOLVED**: That Committee Members would meet with Councillors Crook and Firth on that date. The Deputy Clerk would circulate information to attendees.
- b. At the last meeting, it was resolved that the Parish Council would write to our MP to look for common ground on his campaign to cut speeds on our roads. A draft had been written by Cllr Wilson with additions by Cllr Blacka. Cllr Hogley suggested that the letter should also attest that the Parish Council has commented to Kirklees to review the extent of its proposed 20mph limits for Holmfirth town centre under the Holmfirth Blueprint, that is, the Parish Council has proposed that the 20mph limits should be coterminous with the town centre boundary and thus should apply to Huddersfield Road as well as to Victoria Street, Towngate, Hollowgate and the bottom ends of Station Road and Dunford Road.

**RESOLVED**: A revised draft of the letter was approved to be sent to Jason McCartney MP by the Deputy Clerk.

Cllr Blacka had finalised a response from the Parish Council to Kirklees on the Traffic Regulation Orders for the Holmfirth Town Centre road-scheme.

## 2223 127 Peak District National Park Authority

- i. The Planning Committee noted List 2223/05PD updated with the views of the Committee.
- Members considered new or amended applications received by the Peak District National Park Authority from 29 November 2022 to 3 January 2023 inclusive – List 2223-06PD.

**RESOLVED:** That the Planning Committee's comments on the above applications be forwarded to the Peak District National Park Authority by the Deputy Clerk.

## 2223 128 Ongoing Highways campaigns

The ongoing campaigns are:

## i. Concerns of local residents regarding speeding and noise pollution on Woodhead Road Holmbridge to Holme

**NOTED**: The Deputy Clerk reported that he had still not received a response from the Kirklees Road Safety Team for the data on the speed tests at Holme Bank, Woodhead Road, Holme. The Deputy Clerk would refer this matter and the non-response of Highways to Holme Valley South Kirklees Councillors.

## ii. Campaign for a Safer Magdale

**NOTED**: Members noted that stakeholders were awaiting the data on the speed tests that were done at various locations around Magdale before Christmas 2022.

#### iii. Hade Edge Road Intersection

**NOTED**: There were no reported developments about this road scheme.

# iv. Burnlee Road Closure

**NOTED**: Members noted that Burnlee Road remains closed with no developments at the site as we approach its two-year anniversary of the roadblock. The Deputy Clerk had emailed Ben Wright for an update on the situation, cc'dto Kirklees Councillors and Mark Scarr. The Deputy Clerk reported that Mark Scarr, Head of Highways at Kirklees Council, had rung him about the current state of affairs, and said that a meeting with stakeholders was taking place week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

#### v. Ramsden Road

**NOTED**: Members noted further exchanges between Will Acornley who is the Kirklees Director overseeing the implementation of the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) and the physical installation of barriers and Cllr Wilson who continued to be tenacious regarding the situation with the byways around Ramsden, Yateholme and Riding Wood. Members thanked Cllr Wilson for his diligence.

Cllr Wilson reported that the gates were now being procured though there was some scepticism as to whether the timeframes were realistic given that the financial year is approaching its end. Kirklees were to undertake a second consultation on the appropriateness of a PSPO in this location.

Cllr Wilson pointed out that the problems of anti-social behaviour arising in the area were still persistent (flytipping, littering, vehicular environmental damage). Cllr Wilson would continue to press Kirklees to address the longstanding issues with roadways around Ramsden, Yateholme and Riding Wood reservoirs

#### 2223 129 South Lane Landslip

**NOTED**: Members noted the photos of the South Lane landslip and the reports from Kirklees Officers that the landowner is responsible for the upkeep of the retaining wall. The Deputy Clerk reported that a previous landowner had cut into the hill-slope to create a larger, usable flat area around his property, but that this had impacted on the stability of the retaining wall with the road above.

**RESOLVED**: Members voted that, as no member of the public had approached the Parish Council about the issue, no further action would be taken at this time.

#### 2223 130 Yellow Lines outside Netherthong Church

A Holmfirth resident had contacted the Parish Council about the yellow, no-parking lines outside Netherthong Church. The resident reports that, after roadworks, these have not been painted to the full, original extent and that drivers are legally parking where previously they could not. This had in turn sometimes impeded the progress of the 308 bus. The issue had been reported to Kirklees but without resolution. **RESOLVED**: Members resolved that the issue would be reported to Kirklees Highways and to Holme Valley South Councillors.

#### **2223 131** Footpaths and Public Rights of Way

Cllr Wilson is the Parish Council's nominated representative to the Kirklees Public Rights of Way Forum. He is unable to attend the next meeting of the group Monday 13 March 2023 at Huddersfield Town Hall in the Council Chambers from 7pm to 9pm. Members considered nominating a person to attend in place of Cllr Wilson. **RESOLVED**: Cllr Green would attend the Forum meeting in Cllr Wilson's absence.

# 2223 132 Pending Planning Application by the Parish Council

**NOTED**: Members noted that Cllr Hogley is to submit a planning application to Kirklees on behalf of the Parish Council for the Holme Moss topograph project. The cost of the application is £232. This expenditure had been approved and payment will be resolved after a subsequent Finance and Management Standing Committee meeting. The Committee thanked Cllr Hogley for her work on this project.

# 2223 133 Remaining Committee Budget 2022-23

The Planning Committee has one budget line under its remit. This is 4505 Neighbourhood Plan. Its purpose is to support initiatives arising from the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan. At the start of the year, the budget contained £10,000. £3,000 is to be earmarked for the Holmfirth Market project. That left £7,000 that can be spent before end March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The Committee considered how this remaining budget might be used.

**RESOLVED**: The Committee resolved to recommend to Council to earmark £7,000 for its 20mph highways projects and campaign.

The Deputy Clerk would contact Kirklees Highways for its price list for street signage and mobile vehicle activated signs.

# 2223 134 Publicising the work of Holme Valley Parish Council

The Committee considered whether there were any pertinent recent events or news items that it wished to publicise via the press, Parish Council website or social media. **RESOLVED**: The Deputy Clerk would continue to work on raising awareness regarding the Holme Valley conservation areas via social media, - posting conservation area maps to relevant, village community groups. As above, posts on the 1-year anniversary of the NDP would also be shared.

The meeting closed at 8.38pm.

Chair

Chair

Planning applications lodged with Kirklees from **29 11 2022** to **03 01 2023 - List 2223-08.** The following applications will be considered by Holme Valley Parish Council ahead of the Planning Committee meeting **09/01/2023**. Where appropriate, recommendations will be made to Kirklees Planning Services regarding whether or not they should be approved, but the final decisions will be taken by Kirklees Planning Services.

Local residents can email <u>deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> to submit their views on applications or attend the meeting in person. Alternatively, you could join the meeting via Zoom. Email the Deputy Clerk for a link.

Full details regarding deadline dates for comments and how to submit a comment can be obtained from the Kirklees' website: <a href="http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning">www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning</a>

We have reports that the links to Planning Applications below may not work on some mobile devices. This is an operating system issue. If the links to the applications do not work, go to the <u>Kirklees Planning Portal</u> and search for applications there using the Application No.

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/01  |
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|                       |   |
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93796/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of two storey extension to rear                          |
| Location:             | 7, Derwent Road, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6HS                       |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413147.8194411344.3087   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93796                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley West - SE CG   |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support. The Parish Council wants to draw Officers'               |
|                       | attention to the neighbour's concern about proximity of the       |
|                       | development to the property boundary. Councillors felt that       |
|                       | the plans were poor, and the lack of measurements/                |
|                       | dimensions made gauging the nearness to the                       |
|                       | neighbouring property difficult.                                  |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/02  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93846/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of first floor extension above existing garage           |
| Location:             | 29, Oldfield Road, Honley, Holmfirth, c                           |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414447.7332410801.7631   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93846                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley South - CGn  |
| HVPC Comment:         | Defer to Kirklees Officers. Plans were – as above, - again,       |
|                       | poor.   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/03   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/CL/93788/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Certificate of lawfulness for installation of replacement windows, |
|                       | doors, fascia and soffits (within a Conservation Area)             |
| Location:             | The Long House, Underbank Old Road, Holmfirth, HD9 1AS             |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414638.7466407562.316   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-  |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93788                    |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>                                  |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.                        |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/04   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93783/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Demolition of existing barn and erection of three dwellings for (C3) short term letting usage                        |
| Location:             | Moss Edge Farm, Moss Edge Road, Holmbridge, Holmfirth, HD9<br>2SD  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 412405.8974406181.817   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93783 |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upper Holme Valley - KB TB   |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support. The Parish Council welcomes the climate   |
|                       | mitigation statement.  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/05  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93730/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of extensions and alterations                            |
| Location:             | Valley View, 37, Broad Lane, Upperthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3JS       |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 412993.4593408142.9601   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93730                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upperthong - DC AW  |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support. Plans were difficult to follow.                          |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/06   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93477/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of single storey rear extension and decking area  |
| Location:             | Hassocks Cottage, 7A, Hassocks Lane, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6RF  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 412584.6382411770.4539  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93477 |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley West - SE CG  |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/07  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/CL/93802/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Certificate of lawfulness for existing extension and alterations  |
| Location:             | Rose Leigh, Cartworth Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2RQ                    |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414321.0707407725.4021   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93802                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>                                 |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/08  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/CL/93854/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Certificate of lawfulness for proposed formation of cycle shelter |
|                       | (within a Conservation Area)                                      |
| Location:             | 38, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2JW                         |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414074.627408129.2141  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93854                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>                                 |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support the development in principle, but the design must         |
|                       | be in-keeping with the conservation area.                         |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/09   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93856/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Demolition of existing stables and erection of stable block with 3no |
|                       | stables and 1no tackroom   |
| Location:             | 2, Drake Hill Cottages, Hay Slack Lane, Cumberworth, Huddersfield,   |
|                       | HD8 8YD  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 418342.3562406846.2398  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-    |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93856                      |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Fulstone - DF DH   |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/10  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/70/93823/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Variation of condition 2 (plans and specifications) and 5 (soft   |
|                       | landscaping scheme) on previous permission 2016/93243 for         |
|                       | erection of 17 dwellings (within a Conservation Area)             |
| Location:             | Thirstin Mills, Thirstin Road, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6JG         |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413444.5717412059.3095   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93823                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley Central and East - PC TM SS                                |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.                       |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/11  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93848/W   |
| Proposed Development: | External alterations (Listed Building within a Conservation Area) |
| Location:             | 5, Jessop Fold, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6AJ                        |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413849.5323412019.0823   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93848                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley Central and East - PC TM SS                                |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.                       |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/12   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/44/93777/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Discharge condition 5 (extract ventilation system) on previous<br>permission 2018/91064 for restoration, rebuilding and conversion of<br>derelict workshop buildings to A3 (food and drink) and D1 (gallery)<br>(within a Conservation Area) |
| Location:             | Norridge House, Norridge Bottom, Holmfirth, HD9 7BB  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414209.497408245.7973   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93777   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>  |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/13   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93776/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of garden shed (within a Conservation Area)   |
| Location:             | Cressfield House, 44, Upperthong Lane, Holmfirth, HD9 3BQ  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413873.1911408091.5711  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93776 |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upperthong - DC AW   |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/14  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/65/93849/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Listed building Consent external and internal alterations (within a |
|                       | Conservation Area)  |
| Location:             | 5, Jessop Fold, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6AJ                          |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413849.5323412019.0823   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-   |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93849                     |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley Central and East - PC TM SS                                  |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.                         |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/15  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93909/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of single storey outbuilding                             |
| Location:             | Abinger Mistle, Scholes Moor Road, Scholes, Holmfirth, HD9 1RU    |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 415157.2346406342.5703   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93909                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Scholes - MB1 RPD   |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.                       |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/16  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93900/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Change of use of stables to Equine Veterinary Unit                |
| Location:             | Westfield Farm, 26, Wood Nook Lane, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 4DU    |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 411902.12411014.92   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93900                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley West - SE CG   |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/17  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93878/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Change of use from Beauty/Nail Salon to one apartment (C3) (within a Conservation Area)   |
| Location:             | Retreat Nail And Beauty Specialists, 2, Station Road, Holmfirth, HD9 1AB  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414307.542408246.8838  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93878  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>   |
| HVPC Comment:         | Oppose as loss of a streetside retail unit in the primary   |
|                       | <pre>shopping area of Holmfirth.<br/>Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan 2021<br/>Policy 8: Facilitating Development in Holmfirth Town Centre<br/><br/>1. New developments and changes of use should complement<br/>existing provision and ensure that the town, district or<br/>local centre offer provides a range of uses appropriate for<br/>the relevant type of centre 3. Retail development should<br/>be located in the primary shopping areas of Holmfirth 4.<br/>The reuse of upper floors for residential use will be<br/>supported subject to the use being compatible with ground<br/>floor commercial uses.</pre> |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/18  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93949/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of two storey side and single storey front extensions    |
| Location:             | Hunters Lodge, Cemetery Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2RH                  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414040.0428407800.2244   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93949                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>                                 |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/19   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/70/93940/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Variation of condition 1 (plans and specifications) on previous<br>permission 2022/91073 for (variation condition 6 (highways) on<br>previous permission 2015/93850 for Demolition of intensive poultry<br>farm buildings and redevelopment of site with 6 detached dwellings<br>with associated landscaping including new paddocks to amend plots<br>2 and 7. |
| Location:             | New Dunsley Poultry Farm, Brow Lane, Holmfirth, HD9 2SW  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413512.3654407174.3311  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93940   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upper Holme Valley - KB TB   |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/20  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93944/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Alterations to detached garage to form games room                 |
| Location:             | 4, Bankfield Drive, Holmbridge, Holmfirth, HD9 2PH                |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 412166.6305406617.4539   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93944                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upper Holme Valley - KB TB  |
| HVPC Comment:         | No decision. Plans were insufficiently clear and detail was       |
|                       | poor.   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/21  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93933/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey side     |
|                       | extension, porch to front and alterations (within a Conservation  |
|                       | Area)   |
| Location:             | Swan Bank Cottage, 1, Swan Bank Lane, Holmfirth, HD9 2DS          |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414518.9243407766.133  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93933                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>                                 |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/22  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93979/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of detached summerhouse and rear porch canopy (within a  |
|                       | Conservation Area)  |
| Location:             | Dungarth, 31, Southgate, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6NT               |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413981.8393411906.7473   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93979                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley Central and East - PC TM SS                                |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/23   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93968/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Formation of access track and relocation of field entrance   |
| Location:             | land at, Dunford Road, Hade Edge, Holmfirth, HD9 2SZ   |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414516.1204405646.6483  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93968 |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Scholes - MBI RPD  |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/24   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93515/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Engineering operations to regrade land to form garden area for lvy<br>Cottage and turning area for lvy Farm with associated decking and<br>steps |
| Location:             | Ivy Cottage, Woodhead Road, Holmbridge, Holmfirth, HD9 2NQ   |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 411983.8267406676.9836  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93515                             |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upper Holme Valley - KB TB   |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/25  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/64/93953/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Advertisement consent for 2 illuminated signs                     |
| Location:             | Neiley Industrial Park, 155, New Mill Road, Brockholes, HD9 6QE   |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414616.7793411685.0098   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for- |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93953                   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley Central and East - PC TM SS                                |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/26  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93819/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of detached dwelling   |
| Location:             | Adjacent to, 5, White Wells Road, Scholes, Holmfirth, HD9 1TB   |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 415795.3273407347.194  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-   |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93819   |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Scholes - MBI RPD   |
| HVPC Comment:         | Oppose. Plans were inadequate. There was a lack of  |
|                       | clarity on parking provision. Previously highlighted access<br>issues have still not been resolved. The Parish Council<br>would expect that new-build applications should include a |
|                       | climate mitigation statement.   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/27  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/94030/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Formation of replacement roof   |
| Location:             | Grange Moor Coachworks Ltd, Reins Mill, Reins, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6NB |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414030.3848412460.4632   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-         |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/94030                           |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley Central and East - <b>PC</b> TM SS                                 |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support subject to the findings of the bat survey. The                    |
|                       | distinctive sawtooth roofline is a historical mill feature the            |
|                       | loss of which the Parish Council would like planners to                   |
|                       | take into consideration in their deliberations.                           |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/28  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/CL/94028/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Certificate of lawfulness for proposed alterations to conservatory<br>comprising removal of windows and doors and erection of masonry<br>walls with new window and door openings; removal of glazed rof<br>and formation of solid roof with Velux rooflights. |
| Location:             | 22, Carr View Road, Hepworth, Holmfirth, HD9 1HX  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 416520.1786406834.925  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/94028  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Hepworth - TD   |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support   |
| Decision:             |   |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/29   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/94063/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Change of use of vacant unit to retail, installation of replacement shop front and external alterations              |
| Location:             | Central Garage, Concord Street, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6AE   |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413881411896  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/94063 |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Honley Central and East - <b>PC</b> TM SS  |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/30   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93986/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of two detached dwellings   |
| Location:             | adj, 81, Town End Road, Wooldale, Holmfirth, HD9 1XT   |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 415167.0277409205.2048  |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-<br>planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93986 |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Wooldale - JB PD DG  |
| HVPC Comment:         | Oppose due to over-development. Parking is inadequate.   |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/08/31  |
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|                       |   |
| Application No:       | 2022/44/93897/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Discharge conditions 3 (CEMP),4 (Condition Survey), 5 (Site           |
|                       | Access), 6 (Estate Roads), 10 (Highway Works) ,11 (Street             |
|                       | Lighting), 13 (Highway Retaining Walls), 14 (Retaining Structures),   |
|                       | 15 (Retaining Facing Material), 17 (Surface Water Structures), 18     |
|                       | (Temp Waste Collection), 22 (Drainage Design), 23 (Flood Risk), 24    |
|                       | (Temp Drainage), 28 (Noise), 29 (Ventilation), 32 (Imported Soil), 33 |
|                       | (Facing Materials), 34 (Boundary Treatments), 35 (Landscaping &       |
|                       |   |
|                       | Play Areas), 37 (BMP), 38 (CEMP: Biodiversity), 39 (Lighting          |
|                       | Design), 40 (Badgers), 42 (Archaeology), 43 (Station Materials), 44   |
|                       | (Footpath Location), 45 (Temp Footpath Diversion), 47 (RHIA) on       |
|                       | previous permission 2021/92206 for erection of 137 homes with         |
|                       | open space, landscaping and associated infrastructure                 |
| Location:             | Land off, Woodhead Road, Brockholes, Holmfirth                        |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414769.1701411138.8645   |
| Link:                 | http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-     |
|                       | planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2022/93897                       |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Brockholes - MP   |
| HVPC Comment:         | No observation. Defer to Kirklees Officers.                           |
| Decision:             |   |

Planning applications lodged with Kirklees from **03 01 2023** to **25 01 2023 - List 2223-09.** The following applications will be considered by Holme Valley Parish Council ahead of the Planning Committee meeting **30/01/2023**. Where appropriate, recommendations will be made to Kirklees Planning Services regarding whether or not they should be approved, but the final decisions will be taken by Kirklees Planning Services.

Local residents can email <u>deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> to submit their views on applications or attend the meeting in person. Alternatively, you could join the meeting via Zoom. Email the Deputy Clerk for a link.

Full details regarding deadline dates for comments and how to submit a comment can be obtained from the Kirklees' website: <u>www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning</u>

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| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/01   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93644/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Replacement of existing conservatory with single storey extension to |
| · · ·                 | rear, new enclosed porch, erection of detached office to rear and    |
|                       | internal and external alterations                                    |
| Location:             | 2B, Chapelgate, Scholes, Holmfirth, HD9 1SX                          |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 415581.8171407308.3755  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council                      |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Scholes - MBI RPD  |
| HVPC Comment:         |  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/02  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93524/W   |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of single storey rear extension with ramp and extension to |
|                       | existing detached garage  |
| Location:             | Sundowner, Liphill Bank Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2LQ                    |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 412869.1591407862.9231   |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council                     |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upperthong - DC AW  |
| HVPC Comment:         |   |
| Decision:             |   |

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| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/03   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/44/94083/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Discharge conditions 7 (street furniture), 8 (utility box), 11 (ingress<br>and egress signage), 12 (surface water drainage), 13 (1-100 year<br>storm event), 14 (oil/petrol interceptor), 16 (footbridge), 17 (Phase 2<br>Intrustive Site Investigation), 18 (remediation strategy), 19<br>(remediation of site), 20 (validation report), 25 (access for<br>maintenance of river) on previous permission 2021/92946 for<br>demolition of Holmfirth Market Hall, extension and redevelopment of<br>existing Huddersfield Road Car Park to include improvements to the<br>existing vehicular entrance point on the A6024, the creation of a new<br>vehicular access point onto the A6024, the creation of a new<br>widened pedestrian bridge over the River Holme and associated<br>landscaping, lighting and drainage works (within a Conservation<br>Area) |
| Location:             | Huddersfield Road Car Park and Holmfirth Market Hall, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth, HD9 3JH  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414145.1591408142.7888  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>  |
| HVPC Comment:         |  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/04   |  |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/CL/94071/W  |  |
| Proposed Development: | Certficate of lawfulness for proposed widening of existing pathway<br>from the school entrance road to the corner of an existing Multi Use<br>Games area by 2m using Grasscrete surface. |  |
| Location:             | Holmfirth High School, Heys Road, Thongsbridge, Holmfirth, HD9<br>7SE  |  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 415248.5219409712.5069  |  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council  |  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Wooldale - JB PD DG  |  |
| HVPC Comment:         |  |  |
| Decision:             |  |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/05   |  |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Application No:       | 2022/62/93987/W  |  |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of single and two storey extensions and alterations |  |
|                       | including a raised patio area to the rear                    |  |
| Location:             | Sunny Mede, Horn Lane, New Mill, Holmfirth, HD9 7HG          |  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 416977.9856408578.3476                                    |  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council              |  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Fulstone - DF DH   |  |
| HVPC Comment:         |  |  |
| Decision:             |  |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/06  |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Application No:       | 2023/44/90100/W   |  |
| Proposed Development: | Discharge condition 3 (noise) on previous permission 2021/92994<br>for change of use from hair dressing salon to one flat and installation<br>of roof lights (within a Conservation Area) |  |
| Location:             | 4A, Town Gate, Holmfirth, HD9 1HA   |  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414278.2716408163.7766   |  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council   |  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>   |  |
| HVPC Comment:         |   |  |
| Decision:             |   |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/07   |
|-----------------------|--|
| Application No:       | 2023/62/90103/W  |
| Proposed Development: | Erection of one dwelling including formation of new access and   |
|                       | associated landscaping   |
| Location:             | Land adj, Stubbin, Shaw Lane/Fairfields Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2PY |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 412770.5877407301.2186  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council                  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upper Holme Valley - KB TB                                       |
| HVPC Comment:         |  |
| Decision:             |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/08  |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Application No:       | 2023/44/90159/W   |  |
| Proposed Development: | Discharge conditions 3, 4, 15, 16, 20. on previous permission<br>2020/90640 for formation of artificial grass pitch with associated<br>features, including eight 15m high floodlights, fencing up to 4.5m,<br>pedestrian circulation and access route, vehicular maintenance and<br>emergency access with Springwood Road, erection of store, grass<br>mounds, retaining structures and landscaping works |  |
| Location:             | Holmfirth High School, Heys Road, Thongsbridge, Holmfirth, HD9<br>7SE   |  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 415259.6992409699.5021   |  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council   |  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Wooldale - JB PD DG   |  |
| HVPC Comment:         |   |  |
| Decision:             |   |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/09   |  |
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| Application No:       | 2022/70/94096/W  |  |
| Proposed Development: | Variation condition 2 (plans) on previous permission 2020/90640 for<br>formation of artificial grass pitch with associated features, including<br>eight 15m high floodlights, fencing up to 4.5m, pedestrian circulation<br>and access route, vehicular maintenance and emergency access<br>with Springwood Road, erection of store, grass mounds, retaining<br>structures and landscaping works |  |
| Location:             | Holmfirth High School, Heys Road, Thongsbridge, Holmfirth, HD9<br>7SE  |  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 415259.6992409699.5021  |  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council  |  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Wooldale - JB PD DG  |  |
| HVPC Comment:         |  |  |
| Decision:             |  |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/10   |  |
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| Application No:       | 2022/CL/94069/W  |  |
| Proposed Development: | Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of land for extension of land<br>for purposes incidental to the enjoyment of the dwelling house<br>(extension of domestic garden) |  |
| Location:             | Upper Barn, Damhouse, 20, Cartworth Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2S  |  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 414258.0891407394.6028  |  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council  |  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Holmfirth Central - MBu <b>RH</b>  |  |
| HVPC Comment:         |  |  |
| Decision:             |  |  |

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/09/11   |  |
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| Application No:       | 2023/62/90051/W  |  |
| Proposed Development: | Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey extension<br>on same footprint, erection of covered link to and extension of<br>outbuilding and part first floor rear extension over existing kitchen<br>(within a Conservation Area) |  |
| Location:             | 151, West End, Netherthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3EJ   |  |
| OS Map Ref:           | SE 413905.451409603.503  |  |
| Link:                 | Planning application details   Kirklees Council  |  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Netherthong - JD JR  |  |
| HVPC Comment:         |  |  |
| Decision:             |  |  |

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| No.  | Location   | Development   | HVPC Comment   | Kirklee<br>Decisio                   |
| 92597  | Bar House, Penistone<br>Road, Hepworth,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 2TR          | Certificate of lawfulness for existing use<br>of land for purposes incidental to the<br>enjoyment of the occupiers/owners of<br>Bar House   | Support  | Refuse                               |
| 93367  | 16, New Road,<br>Netherthong, Holmfirth,<br>HD9 3XT                    | Erection of rear extension, demolition of garage and erection of new detached garage and external alterations   | Support  | Grante                               |
| 93194  | 4, Water Row, New Mill,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 7JS                          | Erection of dormer extension and alterations  | Withdrawn /<br>Called In / Turned<br>Away  | Withdi<br>/ Calle<br>/ Turno<br>Away |
| 92651  | Moorgate Farm, Moor<br>Lane, Netherthong,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 3UP        | Use of land as 'glamping site' with 6no.<br>glamping pods with decking, alterations<br>to access to Moor Lane with formation of<br>access road and parking areas, change of<br>use of stables to form gym and Class E<br>shop and café, installation of package<br>treatment system | The Parish Council<br>is keen to<br>promote tourism<br>in the Holme<br>Valley but<br>opposes this<br>application on the<br>basis of 1)<br>concern over<br>highways access<br>and 2)<br>development in<br>the Green Belt. | Refuse                               |
| 93636  | 14, Spring Bank Croft,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 2LW                           | Change of use of garden room to use as beauty salon   | Made no<br>observation and<br>defer the decision<br>to Kirklees<br>officers.   | Grante                               |
| 93765  | adj, Quarry Lodge, West<br>Gate, Cartworth Moor,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 2SE | Erection of agricultural building   | Support  | Grante                               |
| 93159  | 14, Meadowcroft, Honley,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 6GJ                         | Erection of single storey rear extension<br>and removal of front storeroom door and<br>replace with window  | "No observation.<br>Defer to Kirklees<br>Officers. Plans<br>were poor."  | Grante                               |
| 92940  | Former Midlothian<br>Garage, New Mill Road,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 7LN      | Variation of condition 1 (plans) on<br>previous permission 2018/91579 for<br>reserved matters application pursuant to<br>outline application 2015/93824 for<br>erection of 56 dwellings   | HVPC was not<br>asked to<br>comment on this<br>application   | Grante                               |

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| No.    | Location  | Development  | HVPC Comment   | Kirklees<br>Decision |
| 93294  | 31, Ryefields, Scholes,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 1XF                                       | Erection of rear dormer  | Supports the<br>proposal on the<br>condition there is<br>not overlooking.  | Granted              |
| 92189  | 17, Banksville, Wooldale,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 1XP                                     | Erection of single storey extension  | Oppose due to<br>loss of light and<br>over-looking.  | Granted              |
| 91951  | land opp, 9, Owens<br>Terrace, Honley,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 6EQ                        | Erection of one detached dwelling  | Support. Noted<br>Climate<br>Mitigation<br>Statement should<br>be required.  | Granted              |
| 93293  | 21, South Street,<br>Wooldale, Holmfirth, HD9<br>1QH                                | Listed Building consent for replacement<br>of windows and doors to front elevation<br>[within a Conservation Area]                     | HVPC was not<br>asked to<br>comment on this<br>application   | Granted              |
| 93856  | 2, Drake Hill Cottages,<br>Hay Slack Lane,<br>Cumberworth,<br>Huddersfield, HD8 8YD | Demolition of existing stables and<br>erection of stable block with 3no stables<br>and 1no tackroom                                    | Support  | Granted              |
| 93047  | 13, Cuckoo Lane, Honley,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 6AS                                      | Listed Building Consent for building<br>repairs and demolition and replacement<br>of unsafe structures (within a<br>Conservation Area) | No observation,<br>defer to Kirklees<br>Conservation<br>Officers.  | Granted              |
| 93487  | Lower Wickens Farm,<br>Wickins Lane, Holmfirth,<br>HD9 3RB                          | Formation of all weather horse arena and horsewalk to link to existing stables   | Support  | Granted              |
| 93393  | plot 1, land adj, 16,<br>Marsh Gardens, Honley,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 6AF               | Erection of detached dwelling (modified house type)  | Support  | Granted              |
| 93878  | Retreat Nail And Beauty<br>Specialists, 2, Station<br>Road, Holmfirth, HD9 1AB      | Change of use from Beauty/Nail Salon to<br>one apartment (C3) (within a<br>Conservation Area)  | <ul> <li>"Oppose as loss<br/>of a streetside<br/>retail unit in the<br/>primary shopping<br/>area of Holmfirth.<br/>The Parish<br/>Council's<br/>response quotes<br/>from Holme<br/>Valley<br/>Neighbourhood<br/>Development Plan<br/>Policy 8:</li> </ul> | Refused              |

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| No.  | Location  | Development   | HVPC Comment  | Kirklees<br>Decision |
|  |   |   | FacilitatingDevelopment inHolmfirth TownCentre: 1. Newdevelopmentsand changes ofuse shouldcomplementexisting provisionand ensure thatthe town, districtor local centreoffer provides arange of usesappropriate forthe relevant typeof centre. 3. Retaildevelopmentshould be locatedin the primaryshopping areas ofHolmfirth. 4. Thereuse of upperfloors forresidential usewill be supportedsubject to the usebeing compatiblewith ground floorcommercial uses." |                      |
| 93477  | Hassocks Cottage, 7A,<br>Hassocks Lane, Honley,<br>Holmfirth, HD9 6RF | Erection of single storey rear extension and decking area | Support   | Granted              |



Enquiries to: Stuart Howden

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Date: 24-Jan-2023 Our Ref: 2021/92434

Holme Valley Parish Council Holmfirth Civic Hall Huddersfield Road Holmfirth HD9 3AS

Dear Sir/Madam

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - Section 78 Appeal by Site at Lydgate Sunday School, Holmfirth Road, New Mill, Holmfirth, HD9 7LF Planning Reference: 2021/92434 Appeal Reference: APP/Z4718/W/22/3301885 Appeal Start Date: 19-Jan-2023

I refer to the above details. An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of Kirklees Council to refuse planning permission.

Following review of the submitted information in accordance with S319A, the appeal will now be determined on the basis of a **hearing**, the details of which are yet to be arranged. I will inform you of the details of the hearing as soon as I am made aware.

The procedure to be followed is set out in The Town and Country Planning (Hearings Procedure) (England) Rules 2000, as amended.

We have forwarded all the representations made to us on the application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

If you wish to make comments, or modify/withdraw your previous representation, you can do so on the Planning Portal at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate">https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate</a> If you do not have access to the internet, you can write (quoting the appeal reference) to:

Anton Godfrey The Planning Inspectorate Room 3M Temple Quay House 2 The Square Temple Quay Bristol BS1 6PN

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All representations must be received by 23 February 2023. Any representations submitted after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. The Planning Inspectorate does not acknowledge representations.

#### All representations must quote the appeal reference.

Please note that any representations you submit to the Planning Inspectorate will be copied to the appellant and this local planning authority and will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

You can also view the details of the planning application online at <u>www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning</u> by searching for application number 2021/92434.

You can get a copy of one of the Planning Inspectorate's "Guide to taking part in planning appeals" booklets free of charge from GOV.UK at <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/taking-part-in-a-planning-listed-building-or-enforcement-appeal</u>.

When made, the decision will be published on the Planning Portal.

If you have any difficulties regarding the above or have any further enquires then please contact the Case Officer Stuart Howden on Kirklees Direct, 01484 414746.

Yours faithfully

Mathias Franklin Head of Planning and Development

www.kirklees.gov.uk

Subject: Welcome from Holme Valley Parish Council
From: Deputy Clerk <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>
Date: 23/01/2023, 14:44
To: Helen Bower <Helen.Bower@kirklees.gov.uk>
CC: Cllr Mary Blacka <cllrmaryblacka@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>

Hi, Helen,

Am I right in thinking you have recently-ish started in the role of team leader with Kirklees Planning dealing with conservation? If so, - welcome.

One of the things the Parish Council has asked me to ask you is whether there is any opportunity for the Parish Council and the Conservation team to do some co-working on the sharing of information on conservation areas and the implication for property owners of owning a property within a conservation area. This issue was raised by a local person and the Parish Council wanted to support it.

The Parish Council has since been sharing links to maps of the 12 conservation areas in the Holme Valley via Facebook and giving some very basic pointers on conservation areas. There was a surprising amount of interest. About 1,700 people engaged with the posts about the Holmfirth and Honley Conservation Area. There was some comment from locals about the deterioration of the conservation areas (as highlighted by Historic England in Holmfirth) and some people noted the spread of non-permitted development that they felt detracted from the heritage impact of the area.

There was a broad feeling that people were not always clear about the implications of owning and developing property within the boundary of a conservation area. Like I say, we have shared some basic information about some of the sorts of developments that might require permission in a conservation area, but feel as non-professionals and nonofficers that we lack strategic insight to say much more than "you may be required to have planning permission for such-and-such a development and it may be best to ask."

Is there any scope for co-working with your team on guidance regarding development in the conservation areas? Given that the appraisals process has been stalled by the pandemic, it may be useful to share at least some advice on conservation areas and the permissions that may be required. Your officers will obviously have a much greater understanding of the expectations of planners in conservation areas than will our Councillors so we wondered if there was capacity to share key information about how things works regarding development in a CA. By this we don't mean much more than making sure that we are singing from the same songsheet, and that information that we circulate to local property owners is compatible with your team's. In the long run, sharing some pertinent advice now may deter further non-permitted development and help preserve the threatened heritage of our conservation areas.

Is this anything you might consider supporting?

Kind regards,

Rich

Rich McGill Deputy Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

Holme Valley Parish Council Holmfirth Civic Hall Huddersfield Road Holmfirth HD9 3AS Tel: 01484 687460

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| Date:    | Wed, 18 Jan 2023 11:48:32 +0000   |
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|          | <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk></deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>   |

Hi Rachel,

I just wanted to give you an update on internal discussions I have had regarding your comments below.

Regarding extending the 20mph zone, we have been able to extend the 20mph speed limit along Rotcher Road and Lower Mill Lane which will further improve safety in Holmfirth and you will see these changes on the formal consultation drawings. However, we have not been able to extend the 20mph zone along Huddersfield Road. We have had lengthy discussions with the traffic modelling team to try to accommodate your request, however one of the main scheme objectives devised at the outset of the project is to improve journey times through Holmfirth by a minimum 12%. We have been advised by the traffic modellers and the project team that this would not be achievable if the 20mph zone was extended along Huddersfield Road. I would like to highlight that the 20mph could be extended in the future and I have been advised that the Local Centres Fund have included this in their list of potential improvements to Holmfirth.

Regarding the Highways boundaries, the land including the steps leading up to 36 does appear from Kirklees records to be private and the boundaries will be updated to suit.

Kind regards

Adam Jones Principal Engineer | Highway Design | Commercial, Regulatory and Operational Service

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<cllrandywilson@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>; Rich McGill <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: TRO Changes in Holmfirth Town Centre

Hi Rachel,

Thank you for you feedback, I will discuss these comments with the design team to see if we can accommodate your requests for formal consultation.

Kind regards

#### Adam Jones

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Subject: TRO Changes in Holmfirth Town Centre

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Adam,

Thank you for giving us the opportunity for comment on the TRO proposed for Holmfirth town centre (related to the Town Centre Action Plan - <u>https://www.yourvoice.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/holmfirth-update?fbclid=IwAR3yNJsAVBaOs356S\_aYgxKQPXIxs3TmSJRDcpw7CHLgAegF9UiHL4V6DPY</u>)

I wanted to raise two points which I'd welcome your comments on:

#### 1) 20mph speed limits

I very much welcome the 20mph speed limit for the roads indicated but I question why this cannot be extended to cover the whole of Holmfirth town centre? The extent of this is indicated in your map in the Local Plan - <u>https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-policy/pdf/local-plan-maps/townCentres/highResolution/Town-Centre-Maps.pdf</u> and covers all the main shopping areas including the primary shopping frontage along Huddersfield Road.

Surely the extent of the 20mph area should cover this area as a whole? It does not make sense to me to have the Huddersfield Road section past the shops to the main lights at the top of Victoria Street remaining at 30mph?

This scheme is the right opportunity to extend the 20mph zone even if pavement improvements etc. along the routes outside of the Town centre action plan boundary are not within scope. Putting in signage for 20mph at the top of Victoria Street will also add clutter and is not in the right place. 20mph zones through the whole of the town centre should be provided. This is the opportunity to put the focus on pedestrian safety and a people centred environment and I would be confident that most traffic speeds along the Huddersfield Road from School Street in the NE along to the junction with the Greenfield Road in the SW of the town centre area would currently

fall below 30mph on average due to the need to stop at the lights (and high number of pedestrians etc). Therefore justifying making this section 20mph seems perfectly possible and would reinforce and support a logical link between the official Holmfirth 'town centre shopping area' and slower traffic speeds / pedestrian safety. Using the town centre boundaries and therefore also introducing 20mph speeds just past the bus station on Station Road (as you are proposing and up the first part of the Dunford Road further than you have currently proposed also logically follows as well. Again, most traffic is slow speed through this area anyway so clarity of signage indicating when drivers are entering the 'town centre' seems to be the right approach.

#### 2) Highways boundaries at the top of Victoria Street

The Parish Council recently removed two of its benches from outside the former YBS building at the top of Victoria Street as the new tenants (Bebes) wished to create an outdoor seating area there. We were shown some land registry information indicating that this land (at the top of the steps as shown below (highlighted)) was indeed theirs. This does not seem to align with your schematic of the highways boundaries so please can you confirm if this land is public highways as there may be some challenges for either Kirklees or the business owners if you both believe it is your land.

I look forward to your comments addressing these two issues.

Kind regards,

Rachel

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# **HOLME VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL**



Holmfirth Civic Hall Huddersfield Road Holmfirth HD9 3AS

Clerk to the Council: Jen McIntosh Deputy Clerk to the Council: Richard McGill

Phone No: 01484 687460 E-mail: clerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk

19<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Jason,

Holme Valley Parish Council notes with interest your campaign for increased spending on road safety. This closely aligns with our own campaigning. We understand that some members of the Parish Council have already joined your Let's Make Our Roads Safer campaign as individuals.

We thought that you might be interested to know what the Parish Council has done so far. We are focussing our efforts on the introduction of 20mph Zones in our village centres and other areas, identified by residents and councillors.

This has been driven by: -

- Local consultation as part of the Neighbourhood Development Plan in which "improving traffic featured as the number one thing people would like to see addressed in the valley". Alongside this, "the 9th highest concern was the need to slow down traffic"
- Local resident requests to the Parish Council, such as those from the Holmbridge and Hade Edge communities, regarding excessive speeds, noise and pollution.

We have met with Kirklees Officers on this issue but did not make significant progress. Officers pointed us to the recent Speed Limit Review across the whole of Kirklees. Unfortunately, this does not deal directly with 20mph Zones. The current policy on 20mph limits/zones is several years out of date and it is suggested that it will be "within 4 years" before there is an update.

The only concession towards 20mph Zones seems to be the proposed introduction of "School Streets". Whilst welcome, this does not address the wider concerns of local communities and given that only £600K is available from 2023/24 budget, progress will be severely restricted.

The Parish Council has further petitioned Kirklees on the pending Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for Holmfirth town centre. As the plan for the TRO is currently presented, the 20mph limit is to cover Victoria Street, Town Gate, Hollowgate, and brief stretches of Rotcher Road, Dunford Road and Station Road, but excludes Huddersfield Road. Our hope is for Kirklees to extend its planned 20mph speed limit to additionally cover a stretch of Huddersfield Road so that the 20mph zone is coterminous with the main shopping area of the town.

The Parish Council's next step is to meet with Kirklees Holme Valley South Councillors to discuss these issues and to press for further action.

We would be delighted if you could offer your support with these objectives and offer suggestions on how we might endeavour to work together on this.

Please, keep us informed of progress with your own campaign.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

KMAll

Rich McGill Deputy Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer to Holme Valley Parish Council Subject: RE: Letter from Holme Valley Parish Council From: "MCCARTNEY, Jason" <jason.mccartney.mp@parliament.uk> Date: 22/01/2023, 12:56 To: Deputy Clerk <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk> CC: Cllr Mary Blacka <cllrmaryblacka@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>

Good afternoon Rich,

Thanks for your email and for passing on the letter from Holme Valley Parish Council.

I have had a huge response to my Road Safety campaign and I appreciate the Council's support on this important issue.

I'd suggest you also pass on your safety concerns to the Mayor of West Yorkshire who is responsible for policing matters and highways enforcement. Along with the MP for Dewsbury I met the West Yorks Mayor late last year to press for more action. I also met the Chief Constable John Robins on Friday to discuss this.

As you'll know any speed calming measures will have to be introduced by Kirklees Council so they need to be supported by the relevant ward Councillors. It's also crucial to get community support for measures whether it's speed indicators or 20 mph zones as you've suggested.

I look forward to working together on this and I think my diary secretary is still trying to get a date in the diary when I can visit the Council. This is being hampered though as I'm required to be in Westminster Mondays through Thursday apart from recesses.

Thanks again.

Best wishes,

Jason

Jason McCartney MP Member of Parliament for Colne Valley House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA Email: <u>Jason.mccartney.mp@parliament.uk</u> Phone (Constituency): 01484 443975 Phone (Westminster): 020 7219 4403

----Original Message----From: Deputy Clerk <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>
Sent: 19 January 2023 16:26
To: MCCARTNEY, Jason <jason.mccartney.mp@parliament.uk>
Cc: Cllr Mary Blacka <cllrmaryblacka@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>
Subject: Letter from Holme Valley Parish Council

Dear Jason

Please find attached a letter from Holme Valley Parish Council on its campaign against speeding.

Kind regards,

Rich

Rich McGill

#### **Holme Valley Parish Council**

Planning applications lodged with the Peak District National Park Authority from 29 11 2022 to 03 01 2023 - List 2223-06PD. The following applications will be considered by Holme Valley Parish Council at the Planning Committee meeting 09/01/2023. Where appropriate, recommendations will be made to the Peak District National Park Authority Planning Services regarding whether or not they should be supported, but the decisions will be taken by the Peak District National Park Authority Planning Services.

Local residents can email <u>deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> to submit their views on applications or attend the meeting in person. Or contact the Deputy Clerk to attend via a Zoom link.

Full details regarding deadline dates for comments and how to submit a comment can be obtained from the PDNPA website: <u>http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/planning/have-your-say/comment-on-an-application</u>

| HVPC Reference:       | 2223/06PD/01  |  |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| Application No:       | NP/K/1122/1426  |  |  |
| Proposed Development: | Permission to install 5m x 4m wooden garden shed in the bottom of |  |  |
|                       | the garden.   |  |  |
| Location:             | 67 The Village, Woodhead Road, Holme                              |  |  |
| Link:                 | Planning Application details - NP/K/1122/1426    Peak District    |  |  |
|                       | National Park Authority   |  |  |
| Ward/Councillors:     | Upper Holme Valley – KB TB  |  |  |
| HVPC Comment:         | Support   |  |  |
| Decision:             |   |  |  |

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Subject: RE: Information on speed tests in the Holmbridge area
From: Mark Scarr <Mark.Scarr@kirklees.gov.uk>
Date: 24/01/2023, 07:25
To: Deputy Clerk <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>

Morning Rich.

I will ask the team to provide you with an update.

Regards

Mark

Mark Scarr Head of Highways Kirklees Council PO Box 1720 Huddersfield HD1 9EL Email: <u>mark.scarr@kirklees.gov.uk</u> Tel: 01484 221000 Ext: 71577 Mob: 07815 495331

From: Deputy Clerk <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>
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Subject: Re: Information on speed tests in the Holmbridge area

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Mark,

We still haven't had a response to <u>multiple</u> requests for information about speed tests that we understood took place in 2021 at Holme Bank, Woodhead Road, Holme/Holmbridge (in addition to ones in Hinchliffe Mill that we did receive feedback about).

The Parish Council cannot understand why this request seems to be repeatedly neglected. To us it appears to be a thing that could be dealt with in 5 minutes; perhaps we are missing something. Could you chase the Road Safety Team again for information on the data collected?

Regards,

Rich

On 03/01/2023 16:04, Deputy Clerk wrote:

Hi Mark

We still have received no communication about these speed tests from 2021 at Holme Bank despite asking multiple times. You said you had forwarded our request to the Road Safety Team over a month ago. They had already had the request before from us and we got no response then.

Can you explain why this is taking so long? It seems like a simple request.

Can you chase the information again for us.

Kind regards,

Rich

On 30/11/2022 07:12, Mark Scarr wrote:

Morning Rich.

I hope you are well.

I have passed your enquiry on to our Road Safety team and asked them to provide you with a response.

Regards

Mark

Mark Scarr Head of Highways Kirklees Council PO Box 1720 Huddersfield HD1 9EL Email: <u>mark.scarr@kirklees.gov.uk</u> Tel: 01484 221000 Ext: 71577 Mob: 07815 495331

From: Deputy Clerk <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>
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Subject: Information on speed tests in the Holmbridge area

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#### Hi Mark

I hope you are well.

I am writing on behalf of Holme Valley Parish Council.

We had last year inquired of Liz Twitchett regarding the speed tests on Woodhead Road. Liz reported that the speed tests done in Hinchliffe Mill near Londis showed that speeds were not excessive which was good to hear.

But we were not advised about the speed tests that we understood were done at around the same time at Holme Bank on the hill up to Holme village. I got no response to a follow-up email to Liz of 1st September 2022, see below, asking for information about these Holme Bank speed tests. So I wonder if you can help the Parish Council with this information.

Is it correct, Mark, that speed tests were done at Holme Bank, Woodhead Road in 2021?

If so, are you able to share with us the results of those tests?

Many thanks in advance,

Rich

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Subject:Re: Holme Valley Parish Council - 20 mph meeting - availability Date:Thu, 1 Sep 2022 15:20:01 +0100

From:Deputy Clerk <<u>deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk></u> To:Elizabeth Twitchett <<u>Elizabeth.Twitchett@kirklees.gov.uk></u> CC:Cllr Mary Blacka <<u>cllrmaryblacka@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk></u>

Hi Liz

I hope you're well.

After the last meeting of the Parish Council's Planning Committee, the Members were pleased to get your information on the speed limits at Hinchliffe Mill and the pending traffic counts etc at Magdale. Thank you for them.

The Councillors did enquire about a couple of things that I hope you can help with.

First, we understand that, aside from the speed tests done near the Londis in Hinchliffe Mill, there were also speed tests done on the A6024 hill from Holmbridge up to Holme near Holme Bank. Do you have figures for those speed tests too? Councillors who use that stretch of road report that many road users seem to have an inclination to gun it up the hill immediately outside of Holmbridge. I wonder if the tests bear that out or not.

Second, for some residents of Holme Bank and Hinchliffe Mill, a significant problem with the roads seemed to be to do with high traffic noise and noise pollution. They particularly referenced issues at weekends or on bank

holidays when, for example, classic car clubs and groups of touring motorcyclists are more out in force. People living directly on Woodhead Road have said that they cannot open their windows in the summer because of the road noise. But are we right in thinking that local authorities like yourselves have no direct responsibility in regard to traffic and have no power to investigate complaints to do with road traffic noise? Is that right? As a further point, would the positive impact of lower road noise for residents be factored into decisions by Highways regarding road calming schemes?

Thank you,

Rich

On 15/08/2022 13:55, Elizabeth Twitchett wrote:

Hi Rich

Thank you for your email – I must have received that email, because it confirmed the time date and location of our meeting, but I have obviously not read the whole of the email, or I would have brought the information with me.

On the Magdale issue – we are still in discussion with local ClIrs about what, if anything, can realistically be achieved by intervention from the Council. We have ordered some traffic counts for after the schools return in Sept, to assess the scale of the issue, the traffic volumes and make up, as well as speeds, which, when completed (date yet to be confirmed) should then be able to draw to a conclusion those discussions – however, what ever solutions there may or may not be, will all be subject to funding options and priorities, as always.

I will ensure that the local Ward Cllrs are aware of your interest, and provide further updates when possible .

### Liz

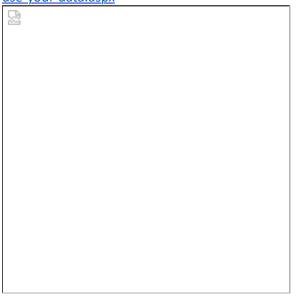
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Sent: 01 June 2022 13:18
To: Elizabeth Twitchett <<u>Elizabeth.Twitchett@kirklees.gov.uk></u>
Cc: Mark Scarr <<u>Mark.Scarr@kirklees.gov.uk></u>
Subject: Re: Holme Valley Parish Council - 20 mph meeting - availability

#### Hi Liz

Can we book you in for Monday 13th June 130pm-3pm, please, Liz?

We will meet in the top floor of the Civic Hall. There's a lift. I suggest parking in the Co-op carpark opposite, - it costs pennies.

Address is: Holmfirth Civic Hall, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth HD9 3AS

See you then.

On a separate point, I was asked by the Parish Council to get responses from Mark Scarr regarding a couple of highways campaigns. I understand Mark is off until Monday so wondered whether you could make any comment as our Planning Committee is meeting Monday.

The two campaigns are:

- 1. Woodhead Road from Holme village to Hinchliffe Mill (specifically, we understood that some speed tests were done a year or two back; do you know what the findings were?)
- 2. Magdale, Honley (local people were petitioning Highways for some ways to manage ongoing traffic issues; are you aware of any developments with that?

Many thanks, and see you soon,

Rich

On 01/06/2022 10:31, Elizabeth Twitchett wrote:

Good Morning Rich

Face to Face in Holmfirth Civic Hall is fine.

I have some current diary commitments : Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> June - unavailable Mon 13<sup>th</sup>, I will not be go get to Holmfirth before 1pm - so available 1 - 4 pm Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> June free 10.30 - 13.00

I have provisionally booked the times for both Mon 13 and Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> - as shown above, to prevent anything else from taking either of those slots, until I receive confirmation of your preferred date / time

Liz

**Operational Manager** 

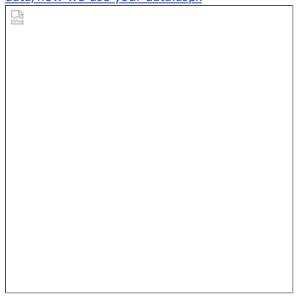
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#### Hi Liz

The Parish Councillors seem to prefer a faceto-face meeting in work hours regarding the feasability of some 20mph limits in the Holme Valley. Is that workable for you? Would you be able to attend the Civic Hall in Holmfirth? We could do a venue at your convenience if you can't.

Times and dates when Councillors can attend are:

- 1. Thu 9th June 1030-1300
- 2. Mon 13th June 1100-1600
- 3. Thu 16th June 1030-1300

Zoom/Teams is an option if you would prefer a virtual meeting.

If you can't make these times/dates, can you give us some alternative dates when you are available?

Look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Rich

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 From: Mark Scarr < Mark.Scarr@kirklees.gov.uk>
 To: Deputy Clerk < deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>

Hi Rich.

Apologies for not getting back to you before now.

I'm afraid that I cannot say too much, as we are engaged in a legal process involving the resident who owns the private wall. I can reassure HVPC that senior managers met with the officers last week and the council's legal advisor on this matter, to reassure themselves that this is being progressed as expediently as it can be.

Mark

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From: Deputy Clerk <deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>
Sent: 19 January 2023 15:09
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Hi Mark

Have there been any new developments regarding the Burnlee Road closure?

Can you give us any news?

Rich

#### Hinchliffe Mill road safety issues

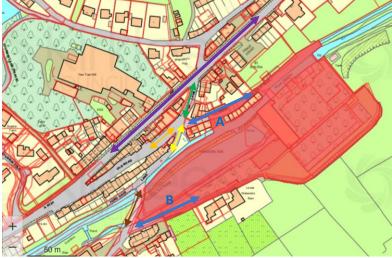
Councillors may recall that I attended the Holme Valley Parish Council planning meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 to present the opinions of residents from the Hinchliffe Mill community on the planning application for the redevelopment of the former mill site in Hinchliffe Mill to form 19 residential units within a Conservation Area (No. 2021/90800).

The HVPC supported local residents submitting an objection to the planning application highlighting a number of opportunities for improvement in the hope adjustments would be made to overcome several concerns. As I am sure Councillors are aware, planning consent was granted to the development in its proposed form without any further changes.

The most concerning issue that the HVPC can still take action on is for the safety of local residents.

As Councillors may know, existing roads in Hinchliffe Mill surrounding the new development access routes are narrow with a high degree of on street parking creating hazardous conditions. Increased traffic volume to and from the new development as a result of additional houses and 60 extra car parking spaces will create significant road safety issues.





Existing on-street parking on Co-op Lane is particularly dangerous - image below.



Extra traffic leaving the new development will need to join Woodhead Road at the top of Co-op Lane to travel to Holmfirth and Huddersfield, or Manchester and Derbyshire in the opposite direction. Parking on Co-op Lane means traffic has to approach Woodhead Road up-hill on Co-op Lane on the wrong side of the road and give way at the junction on the wrong side of the road without being able to see traffic approaching on Woodhead Road wanting to turn down Co-op Lane. Also, having reached the junction at the top of Co-op Lane, drivers cannot see if Woodhead Road is safe to join since parked vehicles on Woodhead Road also block the view of oncoming vehicles, requiring drivers to pull half-way across Woodhead Road to see if it is safe to pull out from the junction. There are existing single yellow lines on some of Co-op Lane and some of Woodhead Road at this junction, as can be seen on the image above. However, all existing road signs to advise drivers of the limitations for parking on existing single yellow lines are so badly weathered they cannot be read (see images below) and since parking in the area is not policed, cars park on the yellow lines at all times of the day.



On behalf of local residents, I appeal to HVPC to act in accordance with the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan - Traffic, transport and parking Section (Traffic Management) to request Kirklees Highways change existing single yellow lines at this dangerous junction to double yellow lines to prevent parking at any time.

I also appeal to HVPC to request Kirklees Highways extend existing yellow lines to the full length of Co-op Lane (<50m) to prevent parking at any time on this hill, so existing and additional traffic as a result of the new development can access Woodhead Road without obstruction.

Access to and from the new development via Water Street (A) and Spring Lane (B) join Ford Gate and Dobb Lane (shown on the map above in yellow & brown respectively). As I previously highlighted to Councillors in October, Ford Gate and Dobb Lane are the designated 'Rural School Route' for children walking to Hinchliffe Mill Junior & Infant School. There are no pavements for pedestrians and on street parking reduces traffic to one direction on what is also a bus route, leaving children to walk **in the road**.



The planning application's own Transport Assessment report acknowledges the new development access junctions (where Water Street (A) and Spring Lane (B) join Ford Gate and Dobb Lane) do not meet the Manual for Streets Stopping Sight Distances. This reduction in visibility at these access junctions presents a significant danger to the local community from increased traffic volume from the new development.

I appeal to HVPC to request Kirklees Highways introduce a reduced speed limit of 20mph on roads leading to the new development access, which are Co-op Lane, Ford Gate, Dobb Lane

and Old Road (shown in orange on the map above and in images above), to provide a degree of protection for local residents walking in the road and to slow traffic at these junctions.

In summary, I seek support from HVPC to:

- Change existing single yellow lines to double yellow lines at the junction of Co-op Lane with Woodhead Road.
- Extend yellow lines to the full length of Co-op Lane.
- Introduce a 20mph speed limit on roads adjoining access to the new development (Co-op Lane, Ford Gate, Dobb Lane and Old Road).

Thank you for your time and consideration. Kind Regards





Our ref: KKS25240

Holme Valley Parish Councillors clerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk

15 January 2023

Dear Parish Councillors,

# PRECONSULTATION – PROPOSED RADIO BASE STATION INSTALLATION AT KKS25240\_WOODHEAD ROAD STREETWORKS, BOOTH HOUSE, KIRKLEES, WEST YORKSHIRE, HD9 2NN (E412506 N107028)

Clarke Telecom Ltd act on behalf of the mobile telecommunications operator CK Hutchison Networks (UK) Ltd. The proposal is to install a radio base station, in order to provide the latest 3G, 4G and new 5G technologies to the Holme Valley South area.

The purpose of this letter is to consult with you and seek your views on our proposal before any planning submission is made. We understand that you are not always able to provide site specific comments, however, CK Hutchison Networks (UK) Ltd are committed to consultation with communities on our mobile telecommunications proposals and as such would encourage you to respond.

As part of CK Hutchison Networks (UK) Ltd continued network improvement program, there is a specific requirement for an installation along Woodhead Road to ensure that the latest high quality 3G and 4G service provision is provided in this area of Kirklees. The proposed column will also ensure that new 5G coverage can also be provided at this location. This ensures that coverage and capacity requirements are maintained.

Mobile telecoms networks are now ubiquitous throughout the UK. It is an expectation that an individual can connect and use their mobile phone whenever and wherever they are. With the advent of new technology, under the banner of 5G, further advances are proposed and Central Government has seen the telecoms industry, and in particular 5G, to be at the forefront of economic development.

This site will enable 5G coverage to be provided to this area of Holme Valley South. The Government recognises that widespread coverage of mobile connectivity is essential for people and businesses. That is why the Government is committed to extending mobile geographical coverage further across the UK, with continuous mobile connectivity provided to all major roads and to being a world leader in 5G. This will allow everyone in the country to benefit from the economic advantages of widespread mobile coverage.

As well as improved mobile signal, 5G networks are also crucial to drive productivity and growth across the sectors that local areas are focusing on through their emerging Local Industrial Strategies. Enabling and planning for 5G implementation is central to achieving the Government's objective to deliver prosperity at the local level and enable all places to share in the proceeds of growth.

5G service provision will bring faster, more responsive and reliable connections than ever before. More than any previous generation of mobile networks, it has the potential to improve the way people live, work and travel, and to deliver significant benefits to the economy and industry through the ability to connect more devices to the Internet at the same time, the 'Internet of Things'. This will enable communities to



manage traffic flow and control energy usage, monitor patient health remotely, and increase productivity for business and farmers, all through the real-time management of data.

The demand for mobile data in the UK is increasing rapidly, and as households and businesses become increasingly reliant on mobile connectivity, the infrastructure must be in place to ensure supply does not become a constraint on future demand.

The radio base station will also meet the extra demands on the network in this area as more people use internet enabled handheld devices. It is a densification project for the operator's network to fill holes in service provision including coverage and capacity. This will enable the operator's customers to be able to use their handheld devices without calls being dropped or buffering occurring where there is a gap in the operator's network coverage and capacity ability. A site in this location will fill the gap in service provision and provide high quality, reliable, advanced 3G, 4G and 5G to this urban area of Holme Valley South.

The preferred CK Hutchison Networks (UK) Ltd option is as follows:

## KKS25240\_WOODHEAD ROAD STREETWORKS, BOOTH HOUSE, KIRKLEES, WEST YORKSHIRE, HD9 2NN (E412506 N107028)

The proposal relates to the installation of up to a 20m high slim-line monopole, supporting 6 no. antennas, 1 no. wraparound equipment cabinet at the base of the monopole, 2 no. equipment cabinets, 1 no. electric meter cabinet, and ancillary development thereto.

The proposed height of up to 20m is essential in order to ensure the latest 4G and new 5G technologies are provided in the Holme Valley South area. These latest technologies operate at higher frequency bands than older technologies such as 2G and 3G. The higher the frequency band the greater the radio signal is naturally weakened. This means that the effects of clutter are even more significant than for the provision of older technologies. As a result, a higher column is normally required to maintain the same coverage footprint. The latest 4G technology and new 5G service provision carry higher capacity and data speeds to the user, this leads to such antennas having to be positioned at a higher height than more standard antennae and in turn a taller antenna height for 5G service provision.

The antennas are proposed to be open and not shielded as this provides the optimal service provision to the surrounding area. If the antennas were to be shrouded, they would not be as efficient at providing the latest technologies to this cell area. Thus an additional installation would likely to be required in this cell area which would lead to the proliferation of masts contrary to the NPPF.

The cabinets are designed to appear like other statutory undertakers equipment cabinets. They are small for telecommunications apparatus and are proposed to be coloured grey to assimilate with other commonly found equipment cabinets. The cabinets can be installed under the operators permitted development rights, but have been included on the plans and in the description in order to remain fully transparent.

We have considered alternative site options and discounted as follows:

• Woodhead Rd, Holmbridge, HD9 2NW (E412156 N406833) - The footway at this location is too narrow to accommodate the operator's equipment. As such, it would lead to highway safety issues. A site in this location has therefore been discounted for this reason.



- Woodhead Rd, Holmbridge, HD9 2NW, (E412171 N406863) The footway at this location is too narrow to accommodate the operator's equipment. As such, it would lead to highway safety issues. A site in this location has therefore been discounted for this reason.
- Woodhead Rd, Holmbridge, HD9 2NW, (E412333 N406931) The footway at this location is too narrow to accommodate the operator's equipment. As such, it would lead to highway safety issues. A site in this location has therefore been discounted for this reason.
- Woodhead Rd, Holmbridge, HD9 2NW, (E412403 N406963) The footway at this location is too narrow to accommodate the operator's equipment. As such, it would lead to highway safety issues. A site in this location has therefore been discounted for this reason.
- Woodhead Rd, Holmbridge, HD9 2NW, (E412489 N407010) The footway at this location is too narrow to accommodate the operator's equipment. As such, it would lead to highway safety issues. A site in this location has therefore been discounted for this reason.
- Fields to North of Woodhead Rd, Holmbridge, HD9 2NW, (E412328 N407081) An installation at this location is considered to be too exposed with limited screening in order to deliver the required coverage to the target area. This site has therefore been discounted for this reason.
- Stubbin FarmHolmbridge, HD9 2NW, (E412546 N407127) This is a Listed Building therefore development on this heritage asset should be avoided and other locations are considered to be more appropriate. This site has therefere been discounted for this reason.
- Land to South of Dobb Lane, Holmbridge, HD9 2NW (E412531 N406831) An installation at this location is considered to be too exposed with limited screening/backdrop in order to deliver the required coverage to the target area. This site has therefore been discounted for this reason.
- Howarth Motor, Dobb Lane, Holmbridge, HD9 2NW, (E412534 N406957) A mast at this location is not viable due to a physical lack of space in order to deliver the required level of coverage to the target area. This site has therefere been discounted for this reason.

The proposal for this CK Hutchison Networks (UK) Ltd site has been designed within International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) public exposure guidelines. A certificate of ICNIRP compliance will be included within the planning submission.

Finally, we would be interested in any local stakeholders or groups that you consider would like to know more about our proposals and look forward to receiving your comments on the preferred option identified above. For your information pre-consultation letters and a set of plans have been sent to the local planning authority.

We look forward to receiving your response within 14 days of the date of this letter.

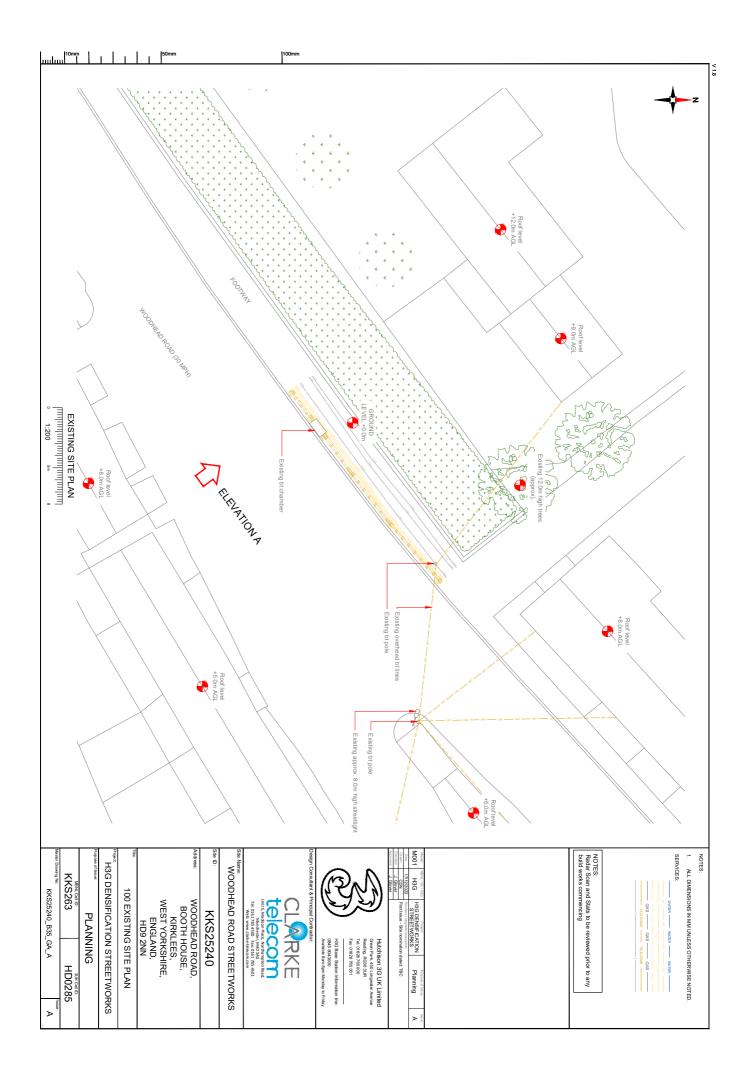
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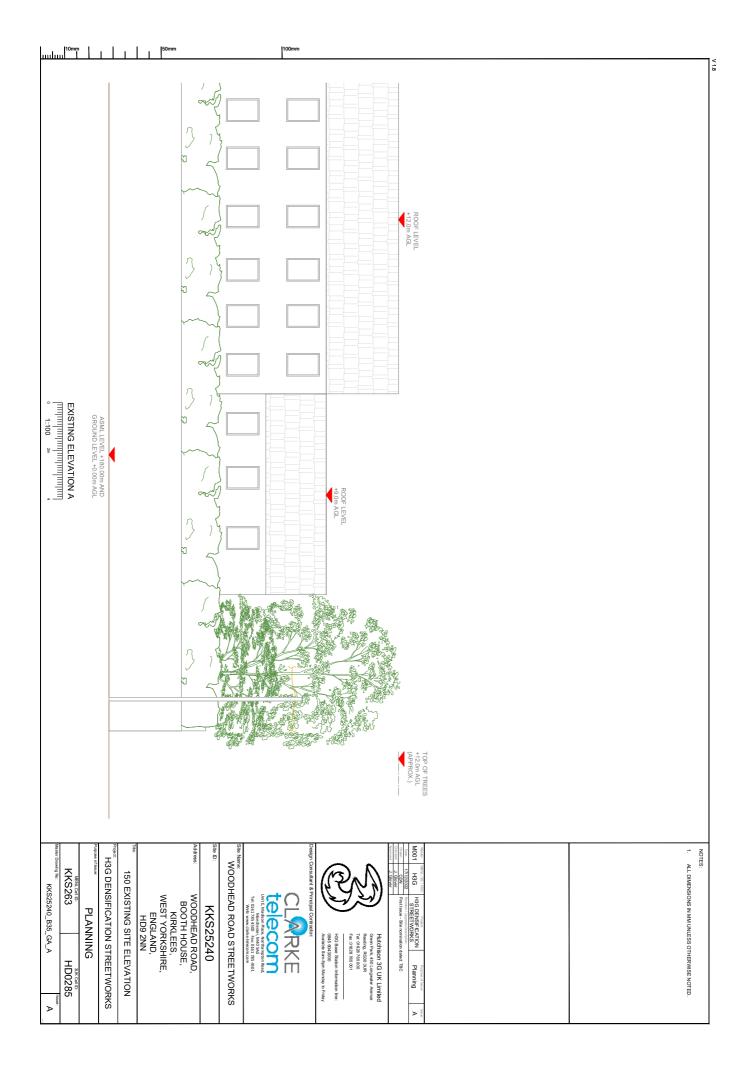


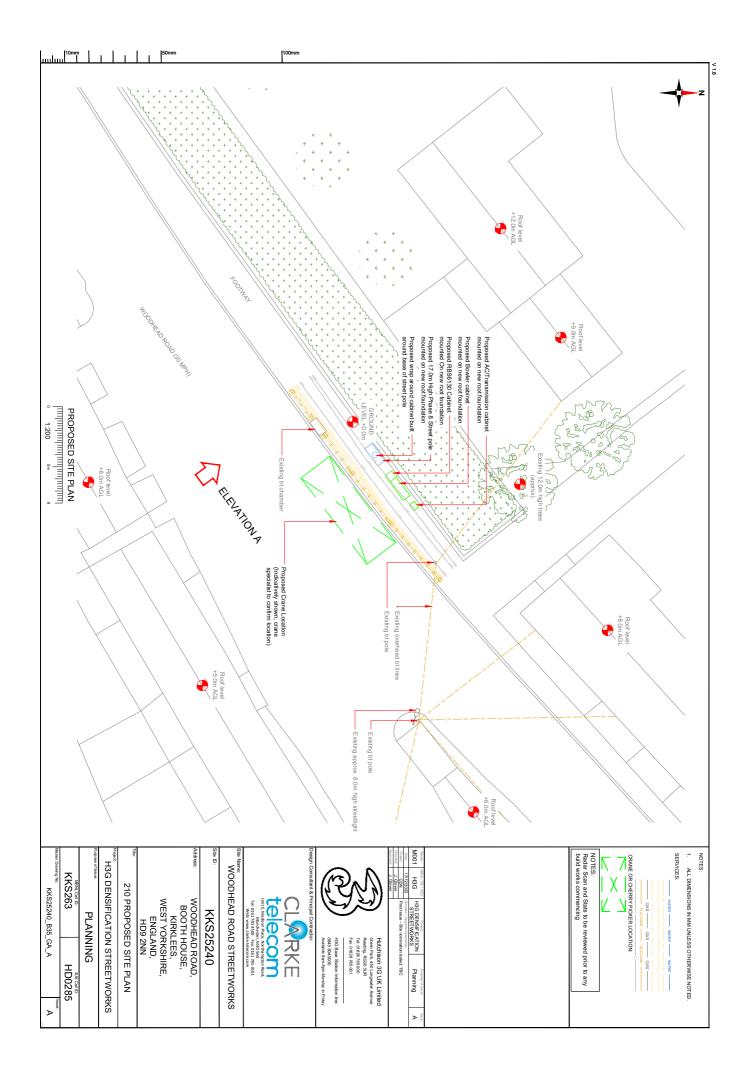
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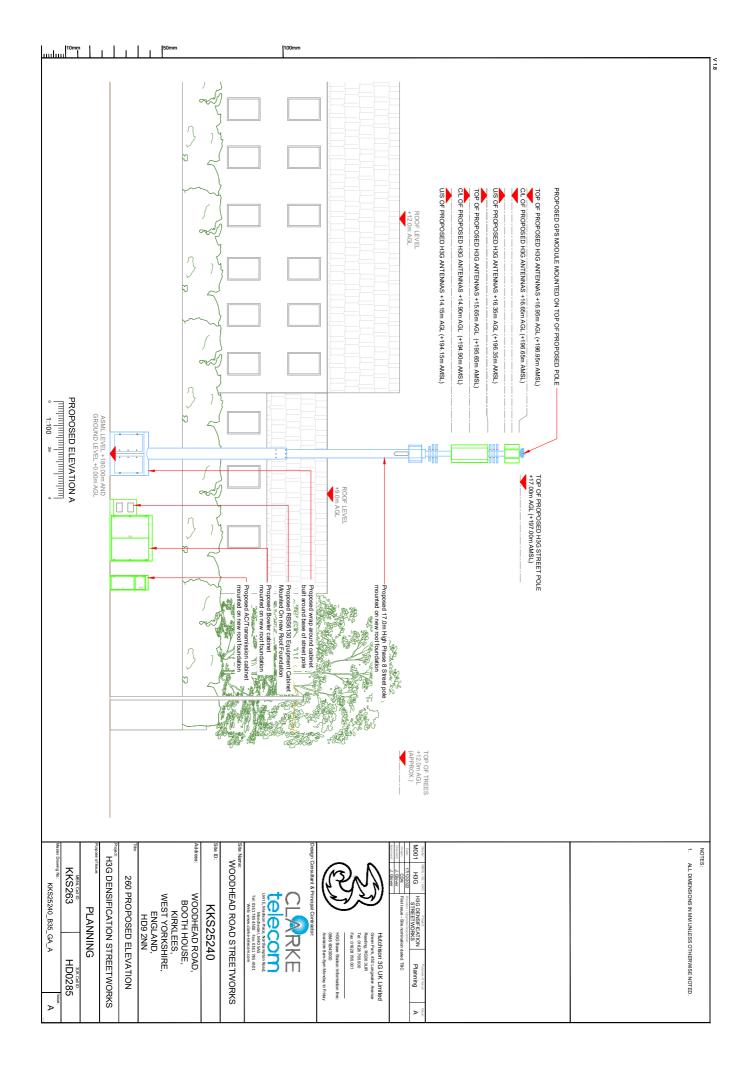
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5G is a generation leap in mobile technology with multiple benefits. However, with new technology, it is understandable that people wish to seek reassurance as to its safety and how it works.

This guide provides an explanation of 5G and the equipment behind it, including the antennae and the masts, to ensure that there is no cause for concern in regard to health.

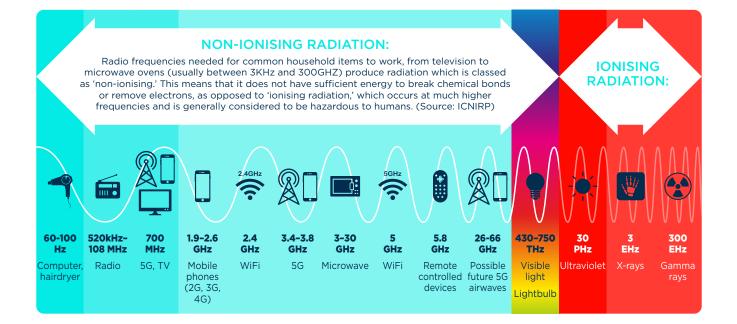
#### 5G & Radio Waves

5G is broadcast using radio waves, which are a type of radiation in what is commonly referred to as the 'electromagnetic spectrum.' Sometimes the word 'radiation' scares people, because it is an invisible thing and something many people do not understand, or easily confuse with 'radioactivity.'

Radiation is simply the release of energy, just like the light from the sun or heat from our bodies. Most radiation is considered harmless, or in scientific terms, non-ionising when used within guidelines. It is part of our everyday lives, without us even realising it. Radio waves are used by your TV, radio and remote control.

5G uses a specific frequency of radio waves, just like 4G and before that 3G. The exposure to these radio waves is very low and crucially, many times lower than public safety guidelines dictate. All frequencies that are currently and will in future be used for 5G fall within the part of the electromagnetic spectrum that includes radiation which is classed as non-ionising. This means that these radio waves do not carry enough energy to directly damage cells. This is different from 'ionising' radiation, which is generally considered to be hazardous to humans and includes gamma (nuclear) radiation as well as x-rays, which occur at the higher frequency end of the electromagnetic spectrum.

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# Research into the safety of 5G and mobile phone signals

Research into the safety of radio waves has been conducted for more than 80 years, across the UK and around the world. The strong consensus of scientific opinion and public health agencies, such as the World Health Organisation (WHO), is that no dangers to health have been established from exposure to the low-level radio signals used for mobile communications, including 5G, when used within guidelines.

#### Strict safety guidelines

All mobile operators must ensure that their radio base stations (also known as masts) are designed and built so that the public are not exposed to radiofrequency fields above the strict safety guidelines which govern and limit public exposure to electromagnetic fields. In fact, base stations operate at low levels, emitting levels of radio waves many times lower than the guidelines.

The International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) is the universally recognised non-governmental organisation that governs the safety levels of electromagnetic field or radio wave exposure and is accepted by the World Health Organisation (WHO). The guidelines, updated in 2020, monitor frequencies up to 300GHz, anything below this threshold is considered to not cause adverse health effects and is therefore safe for the public. 5G radio waves fall well within this category, operating at 700MHz and between 3.4GHz 3.6GHz.

#### **Testing of 5G masts**

In fact, the UK's telecoms regulator Ofcom carried out tests at 5G-enabled mobile masts across the country. The highest emission levels (e.g. radiation) recorded at mobile phone masts were consistently well within the strict safety guidelines that monitor radiation levels.

#### **Further Information**

As the world depends more and more on mobile connectivity and we are consuming more data, existing networks are becoming congested. 5G has the capacity to handle this and future demand, as it will offer much faster data and upload speeds, allow more devices to access the mobile internet at the same time, and significantly reduce the amount of time it takes to send information from one point to another.

The rollout of 5G is not just about the benefits to each individual mobile phone user but the wider societal benefits of providing connectivity to all, such as the emergency services, local businesses and the provision of council services; the capability of 5G can transform, and ultimately help save lives.

For more information on 5G and health, and to learn about the wider benefits of 5G visit **www.mobileuk.org.uk/5G-and-health** 

For further information from external sources regarding 5G and health, the following links may be helpful:

World Health Organization (WHO) -Radiation: 5G mobile networks and health: <u>https://www.who.int/news-room/q-a-</u> <u>detail/radiation-5g-mobile-networks-andhealth</u>

BBC - Does 5G post health risks?: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/worldeurope-48616174

Which? - Is 5G safe?: https://www.which.co.uk/news/2020/06/ is-5g-safe-everything-you-need-to-knowon-the-5g-powered-future/

BBC Click - Testing the Safety of 5G: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=k2t1dUCyE0I&feature=youtu.be

Cancer Research UK - Do mobile phones cause cancer?: https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/aboutcancer/causes-of-cancer/cancer-myths/domobile-phones-cause-cancer



# Frequently Asked Questions

## **The Three network**

Most of us own phones and want a fast and reliable mobile signal at home and at work.

Three is investing to improve the network and deliver better connectivity, every day for every customer. This programme involves improving 4G connectivity and the rollout of 5G services along with 5G home broadband, which will rival traditional broadband connections.

As part of its Levelling Up agenda, the Government has stated that by 2030 the country will have nationwide gigabit-capable broadband and 4G coverage, with 5G coverage for most of the population.

Three has over 17,000 mobile phone masts across the country delivering coverage and capacity to over 9.7 million customers. Our network carries billions of calls a year and increasing volumes of data which means the network needs to evolve to meet demand and provide high quality service.

We are investing in your area to improve connectivity and the service our customers receive.





## What is a mobile phone mast?

A mast is the supporting structure for the antennas. The antennas provide the signal that enables mobile phones to connect to the network. The design can vary from a lattice tower to a slim line monopole.

#### **Streetworks site**

The antennas at the top of the mast deliver the radio signal.

The cabinets on ground level contain the computers and technology that enable calls to be connected into the wider network.

## Why is a new mast needed?

Mobile phone masts provide a signal that enables our mobile phones to function, they need to be located close to where people use their phones in order to deliver signal and capacity.

Simply upgrading existing sites in the area is often not sufficient to deliver the quality of coverage and capacity required for 5G. As the 5G signal travels a shorter distance gaps can appear in the network.

New sites need to fit into the wider network and the search area for a location is often limited.



Many of our new sites are located on adopted highways land, which includes grass verges or wider areas of pavement. We want to offer the community a reliable network experience and these sites are critical to making that happen.



## Why have you selected this location?

Masts need to be located close to where people use their phones.

We have identified this area as needing improved coverage or capacity which can only be delivered by installing a new site. A process has been undertaken to assess and evaluate siting options before a preferred site has been selected.

Masts need to be tall enough to transmit over nearby buildings and trees, and to ensure the signal can reach as many people as possible.

If a site is built on public highway the local highways authority will have been consulted as part of the planning process. The Government has given telecoms operators the right to site equipment on adopted highways land.

All our sites are designed and built to comply fully with all highways laws to ensure continued access for all users.

## Do you need permission to build a new mast?

Yes, new sites will require approval, the type of approval will vary depending on the design of site and location. Most sites built on adopted highways land require what is known as prior approval by the local planning authority.

The local planning authority will display a site notice and may also consult with nearby residents. Members of the public can view the application and submit their comments via the local planning authority website or by writing to the local planning authority but there are time constraints.

Under the prior approval regime, a local authority has 56 days, beginning with the date on which it receives a valid application, in which to make its determination and to notify the applicant of the decision to give or refuse such approval. If no decision is made, or the planning authority fails to notify the developer of its decision to refuse the application within the 56 days, permission is deemed to have been granted.

The planning application will include drawings of the site design and location along with an ICNIRP certificate. ICNIRP is the International Commission for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection and is recognised by the World Health Organisation, the certificate is to confirm that the site complies with the ICNIRP standards.

All our sites are designed and built to be fully compliant with ICNIRP guidelines on limiting exposure to electromagnetic waves – the guidelines cover all the population including children.

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## A further guide to 5G

The UK Health Security Agency (previously Public Health England) advises the UK Government on the public health aspects of exposure to radio waves, including those from mobile phone base stations and other radio transmitters in the environment.

You can also find some useful information about radio waves, health and 5G technologies provided by the Government and Ofcom:

Mobile phone base stations: radio waves and health 5G technologies: radio waves and health 5G mobile technology: a guide (ofcom.org.uk)

## Life needs a big network

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#### NB the current Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill is intended to improve environmental outcomes, details of new measures in due course

#### INTRODUCTION

Environmental Planning has been described as an area of planning that focuses on environmental issues, environmental assessment, and environmental policy<sup>1</sup>.

In practical terms, this means considering current activities and future development in their relation to:

- Air quality
- Water quality
- Soil quality
- Climatic conditions, including climate change
- Flora and fauna, including ecosystems
- Agriculture, including food production

At this time of climate emergency, a major focus is the minimising of carbon emissions that contribute to global warming, which in turn means a move away from fossil fuels. Much of environmental planning will be around the interplay between the built and natural environments, and the interplay with people and the economy.

For local councils, environmental planning can mean:

- A change in priorities when making council decisions
- A greater awareness of the impact of other people's decisions
- Closer links with the local community, including the business community

This guidance aims to support local councils by providing advice that helps to integrate environmental awareness within current and future council activities.

#### 1. BASIC PRINCIPLES

There are some principles which apply at all levels of environmental planning:

- The conservation of the natural environment is paramount
- Any changes must have a positive impact on the environment not a negative
- Any plans must be underpinned by proper local assessment
- Any plans must be approved by the appropriate authority
- Any implementation of plans must be effectively managed

Some of this may seem obvious, and some may look like extra work for council staff. Working more closely with neighbouring councils and involving local people in working groups can help to reduce the burden as well as underpin the results.

#### 2. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

Local councils will require an environmental planning approach for several activities:

- a) Emergency plans
- b) Climate action plans
- c) Neighbourhood development plans (England)
- d) Wellbeing and biodiversity plans (Wales)
- e) Managing or developing the built environment
- f) Managing or creating sources of renewable energy
- g) Managing sites for biodiversity
- h) Managing council operations including transport

The knowledge and policies developed through these activities will also assist local councils in commenting effectively on developers' planning applications.

#### EMERGENCY PLANS

Following the Civil Contingencies Act 2004<sup>2</sup>, local councils should all have received an emergency plan template from their District Emergency Planning Officer in England or Local Resilience Forum in Wales. Some key items to consider include:

- Contingencies in case of flood, as wetter weather is expected in future
- Contingencies for helping housebound people with shopping, as was necessary during the Covid lockdown and may be needed for floods also
- Contingencies in the event of drought and water shortages
- A cool hub to shelter people in the event of a heatwave, particularly elderly people and babies, and including toilet and kitchen facilities
- Transport plans to support all the above, potentially with volunteer drivers and preferably hybrid or electric vehicles

Warm hubs are not in the same emergency category as they may be needed all winter as a respite from increased energy bills, but they are worthy of consideration.

#### CLIMATE ACTION PLANS

The Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE) has published a toolkit<sup>3</sup> for preparing climate action plans, and other toolkits are under development elsewhere. The principal elements of any plan will be:

• An assessment of the local carbon emissions that create a "carbon footprint", both for council activities and for the area as a whole

- An appraisal of which projects or changes will contribute to carbon reduction, thus mitigating the effects of global warming caused by high levels of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere
- An appraisal of which projects or changes will help the area to adapt to the effects of global warming, as some warmer and wetter weather is inevitable
- An appraisal of which projects or changes will support local biodiversity, which is being reduced by human activity as well as by climate change, and which is very necessary to support life on the planet
- Engaging local people in the planning process and agreeing priorities
- Setting targets and establishing an approach to monitoring and evaluation

The template at Appendix A gives an overview of what an action plan might cover.

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLANS (ENGLAND)

Neighbourhood development plans became an option for English local councils under the Localism Act 2011<sup>4</sup>. They provide a vehicle for integrating with other local issues a response to environmental concerns such as conserving biodiversity under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 (see Legal Responsibilities below), and in 2020 CSE produced a guide to neighbourhood planning in a climate emergency<sup>5</sup>. There is not yet uniformity in what planning authority officers and external examiners may approve as part of a new neighbourhood plan – which needs to conform to the planning authority's own Local Plan – but the CSE guide has many examples of useful wording that has been adopted elsewhere.

One particular bone of contention is the building of new homes without full insulation or renewable energy production as part of the design. The Government is bringing in a new Future Homes Standard<sup>6</sup> for building regulations in 2025, but until that time the degree of energy efficiency in new homes remains a matter for local negotiation.

Local councils should fully participate in any review of their planning authority's Local Plan, which is where definitive climate action policies also need to be included. Government guidance around "Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change" is at Section 148 of the National Planning Policy Framework<sup>7</sup>.

#### WELLBEING AND BIODIVERSITY PLANS (WALES)

While neighbourhood planning is optional In England, larger local councils in Wales are obliged to work with their local public services board on an action plan<sup>8</sup> against the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015 (see Legal Responsibilities below). All community and town councils in Wales share a duty<sup>9</sup> under the Environment

(Wales) Act 2016 to report every three years on what they have done to maintain and enhance biodiversity, and these actions may be included in wellbeing plans.

# MANAGING OR DEVELOPING THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

CSE have produced a guide to energy efficiency for community buildings, which is currently being updated<sup>10</sup>. Using general powers under the Local Government Act 1972 (including working in partnership with higher level authorities), local councils may install charge points for electric vehicles, which will need to be planned with reference to location and accessibility, and with reference to the likely local demand.

Future proofing is required for proposed new developments – are they the only way to achieve a desired result, would they prevent land being used for anything else? These questions should be answered during a full project appraisal (see below).

Much of a local council's activity in this area will be around making comments on any planning applications by developers, such as ensuring the "Net Gain" target<sup>11</sup> of 10% biodiversity improvement is being met. Councils should also register with their local planning authority exactly what benefits their community requires from Section 106 agreements<sup>12</sup> with developers or the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)<sup>13</sup>.

# MANAGING OR CREATING SOURCES OF RENEWABLE ENERGY

CSE have produced an overview of the main sources of renewable energy<sup>14</sup>:

- Hydroelectricity requires a suitable waterway
- Biomass heating burning local wood fuel supply
- Wind power also requires a suitable location
- Solar energy can either produce electricity or heat water directly
- Anaerobic digestion generating electricity from organic waste
- Marine energy generating energy from tidal flows

Local geography will be a determining factor in the creation of a renewable energy source, whether developed by public, private or voluntary sector bodies or – more probably – by a wider partnership with greater resources. CSE are developing an approach<sup>15</sup> to engaging the local community in planning local energy sources.

### MANAGING SITES FOR BIODIVERSITY

There are some broad guidelines for managing council-owned land such as public parks, playing fields, allotments, cemeteries and highway verges, such as:

- No mowing in May (apart from actual playing areas), to allow wildflowers to support pollinating insects
- Only one mowing a year where possible, and consider rotational mowing in sections to avoid mowing an entire site at once (good for hibernating insects and ground nesting birds) aim to mow in August / September after seeding
- No artificial fertilisers that reduce the quality of grasslands<sup>16</sup>
- Planting more trees and hedges
- Trialling alternatives to pesticides

Reduced mowing regimes to benefit wildlife will need to be explained to local residents, some of whom will inevitably prefer every green space to be neatly manicured at all times. Involving residents as volunteers in a "Friends Of" group is one way to create ownership and share understanding.

South Gloucestershire Council have published a guide to producing nature action plans<sup>17</sup> which is a source of wide-ranging advice on protecting local ecosystems, as well as a field guide<sup>18</sup> to help those with little or no ecological background assess a site for wildlife. The City of Edinburgh Council has published guidance<sup>19</sup> on biodiversity in parks.

## MANAGING COUNCIL OPERATIONS INCLUDING TRANSPORT

A carbon audit (see below) of local emissions will reveal a number of council activities that emit carbon, and for example may lead to plans to replace fossil fuel vehicles with electric vehicles. While responsibility for areas of operation such as highways and public transport rests with higher-level authorities, Section 101<sup>20</sup> of the Local Government Act 1972 allows local councils to work with such higher-level authorities on those other authorities' responsibilities and activities.

Council purchasing is a key area where councils at all levels can support the move towards net zero in carbon emissions, and purchasing is further discussed in chapters 4 and 5 below.

# 3. COMMON TECHNIQUES

Several techniques are available for use at all levels of environmental planning:

- i. Community engagement
- ii. Project appraisal
- iii. Carbon audit
- iv. Environmental impact assessment
- v. Life cycle assessment

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Behind every climate action plan is the need to engage the community. Involving the local community can be time consuming but is vital to secure support for new initiatives as well as providing a source of ideas, volunteers and resources. There are several techniques that may be employed, including:

- A household survey, that can generate a local mailing list of interested people
- Community workshops on particular topics
- "Walking workshops" with a tour of the local area
- Talks by specialist professionals
- Online maps for people to locate and post ideas and suggestions
- Neighbourhood and wellbeing planning events
- Open house events from residents who have made low carbon changes
- Supporting all the above through newsletters, social media and websites

Some tips for success:

- Engage people across different platforms and channels to ensure everyone has the opportunity to get involved
- Have regular and ongoing involvement
- Facilitate effective two-way dialogue
- Make your messages appealing to different audiences

Climate action is a long-term exercise, and so it will be helpful to use community engagement to populate a working group to take new initiatives forwards. As a variation on this theme, Kendal Town Council have developed a "Citizens Jury"<sup>21</sup> which has representation from all sections of the community.

Working with local businesses is also important, but business owners are much less likely to respond to surveys or to attend meetings. Time spent on approaching local firms individually will be more time-consuming but a more effective tactic.

# PROJECT APPRAISAL

As with any successful new initiative, there will be a danger of "mission creep" – new projects being proposed which take up time and resources out of all proportion to their contribution towards the main objectives. Every project proposal should be fully appraised to ensure that the project has real potential rather than being one group or individual's pet idea. A template for appraising project proposals is at Appendix B.

## CARBON AUDIT

CSE have produced a community carbon footprint tool<sup>22</sup> which aims to give small communities (parishes and towns) "usable data on their carbon emissions that is easy to understand, easy to share, and which gives them a clear idea of their main 'impact areas' – those places where focused community-based action can make the biggest contribution to cutting local emissions".

The data from a carbon audit can identify important targets for a climate action plan and form the basis for energy strategies within a neighbourhood or wellbeing plan.

## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

The Environment Agency defines environmental impact assessment as "a process carried out to ensure that the likely significant environmental effects of certain projects are identified and assessed before a decision is taken on whether a proposal should be allowed to proceed. This means that the most environmentally favourable option, or at least the environmentally acceptable option, can be identified at an early stage and projects can then be designed to avoid or to minimise environmental effects".

As well as the scoping handbook<sup>23</sup> and more specific advice published by the Environment Agency, there is a step-by-step guide<sup>24</sup> published in 2010 by the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) which links to a useful checklist of questions to ask of policy and indeed project options:

- Will the policy option be vulnerable to the predicted effects of climate change?
- Will the policy option lead to a change in the financial costs or the environmental and health impacts of waste management?
- Will the policy option impact significantly on air quality?
- Will the policy option involve any material change to the appearance of the landscape or townscape?
- Will the proposal change 1) the degree of water pollution, 2) levels of abstraction of water or 3) exposure to flood risk?
- Will the policy option change 1) the amount or variety of living species, 2) the amount, variety or quality of ecosystems?
- Will the policy option affect the number of people exposed to noise or the levels to which they're exposed?

# LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT

A life cycle assessment (LCA) is a way of measuring a product's environmental impacts across its whole life.

There are systems that can be used in carrying out such assessments, but in simple terms a product goes through five phases:

- 1. Raw Material Extraction to make the product
- 2. **Manufacturing & Processing** creating the product
- 3. **Transportation** delivering the product to retailers or customers.
- 4. Usage & Retail both using and disposing of the product
- 5. Waste Disposal disposing of any waste the product itself produces.

Local councils can have these five phases in mind when considering options for a new purchase, project, or service.

# 4. CHOOSING MATERIALS AND PRODUCTS

In terms of carbon emissions, almost any purchase up to and including new buildings may be assessed under two main headings:

- Embodied carbon emissions relating to creation and disposal (see life cycle assessment above), such as the materials used in building new offices or making a new car
- **Operational carbon** emissions caused by using a new purchase, such as the heating cost of a new building or a car's use of fossil fuel

One of the current ironies is that it has been reported that the process of making an electric vehicle emits more carbon that making one that runs on fossil fuels. Balancing embodied and operational carbon is not necessarily straightforward when making a purchase and is not always easy if the relevant data is not presented by the supplier through an environmental product declaration<sup>25</sup> (EPD). As well as asking for an item's EPD, councils may consider:

- Whether a proposed purchase is made from manufactured or recycled materials (though some recycling methods also have an environmental impact) using natural materials such as wood deserves consideration
- The lifetime expectancy of a new purchase (the longer the better), which in turn relates to how robust it is and how much it is at risk from climate change, vandalism or other threats

- Whether it has elements that may be replaced, giving it a longer life (although the less components the better)
- Whether its operation has a carbon impact
- How it may be recycled or re-used in due course

# 5. CHOOSING CONTRACTORS

Following on from the above, a contractors' choice of materials is also a factor in deciding which firm to appoint to a task. Potential contractors could also be asked to fill out an environmental questionnaire e.g. including their understanding of their firm's own environmental impact, their environmental policies and environmental qualifications if applicable.

A recent health and safety article<sup>26</sup> lists a number of further factors that may be considered when choosing a contractor:

- Trade association memberships.
- Maintenance of equipment.
- Experience with similar works.
- Training of staff.
- Method statement suitability.
- Risk assessment quality.
- Accident history.
- Enforcement actions.
- Health and safety policy.
- Equipment to be used.
- Maintenance of equipment.
- Control of sub-contractors

As well as naturally checking for insurance, relevant licences and qualifications, and financial stability, it may be worth asking for references to check a contractor's reputation for good communication and finishing tasks on schedule.

# 6. LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND POWERS

# ENGLAND

Under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006<sup>27</sup> there is a duty on public authorities in England to have regard to conserving biodiversity as part of their policy or decision making. Conserving biodiversity can include restoring or enhancing a population or habitat.

English public authorities should be able to show their duty to have regard for conserving biodiversity if they have identified ways to integrate biodiversity when they:

- Develop policies and strategies and put them into practice
- Manage the planning system
- Manage:
  - their land and buildings
  - woodlands and nature reserves
  - o gardens, parks and public open space
  - o community amenities e.g. sports grounds and cemeteries
  - waste and pollution
  - o energy and water
  - $\circ$  wood and plant products
- Develop infrastructure, such as roads, buildings or flood defences
- Make decisions about procurement
- Implement economic, environmental and social programmes

### WALES

In Wales, the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015<sup>28</sup> put in place seven wellbeing goals, of which three have a strong environmental element:

- A prosperous Wales defined as an innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.
- A resilient Wales defined as a nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example, climate change).
- A globally responsible Wales defined as a nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.

The Act establishes public services boards to be responsible for setting local wellbeing plans in consultation with local councils. Larger local councils in Wales with an annual turnover greater than £200,000 have a duty to take all reasonable steps towards meeting the local objectives included in the local wellbeing plan that has effect in their area (smaller local councils may do this voluntarily).

All public bodies involved in wellbeing plans must also make sure that they involve people interested in achieving the goals and that those people reflect the diversity of their area. Each year they must publish an annual report showing the progress they have made in meeting their objectives.

The Environment (Wales) Act 2016 introduced an enhanced biodiversity and resilience of ecosystems duty (the section 6 or s6 duty) for all public authorities in the exercise of functions in relation to Wales. The s6 duty requires that public authorities "*must seek to maintain and enhance biodiversity so far as consistent with the proper exercise of their functions and in so doing promote the resilience of ecosystems*".

To comply with the s6 duty public authorities including community and town councils should embed the consideration of biodiversity and ecosystems into their early thinking and business planning, including any policies, plans, programmes and projects, as well as their day-to-day activities. All community and town councils in Wales must report every three years on what they have done to maintain and enhance biodiversity.

# POWERS

The Local Government Act 1972<sup>29</sup> provides several broad powers:

- Section 101 the power to help higher authorities with their responsibilities
- Section 111 the power to facilitate the discharge of council's own functions
- Section 136 the power to support other authorities' activity financially
- Section 137 the power to fund activities of community benefit

The Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015 effectively gave broad powers for environmental action to Welsh community and town councils, while the Localism Act 2011 brought local councils in England the potential to create neighbourhood development plans as well as the "general power of competence" to be able to deliver any activity that could be delivered by a private individual. The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 has extended the general power of competence to community and town councils in Wales, subject to similar conditions.

Apart from these well-known powers, there is a host of environmental activities that may be delivered under the aegis of lesser-known statutes – see Appendix C. The

DEFRA guide<sup>30</sup> on ways town and parish councils can tackle climate change under the Sustainable Energy and Climate Change Act 2006 also provides a useful overview of the whole process of climate action.

# 7. FURTHER GUIDANCE AND GOOD PRACTICE

Links to further guidance may be found at <u>www.thecommunityworks.co.uk/local-</u> <u>councils</u> and to emerging good practice at <u>www.thecommunityworks.co.uk/local-</u> <u>projects</u>. These include links to the websites of the Centre for Sustainable Energy, the Planning Advisory Service and the Local Government Association, including an October 2021 report<sup>31</sup> on delivering local net zero and a November 2022 report on a neighbourhood approach to decarbonisation<sup>32</sup>.

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### **APPENDIX A – TEMPLATE FOR A LOCAL CLIMATE ACTION PLAN**

This template is not intended to be a definitive guide, as every place is different, but rather an overview of the range of possible approaches. It may well be appropriate to start climate action with something of the highest local priority and then develop an action plan from there. More detailed guidance on individual sections is either already available or under development.

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Main aims / objectives Main actions What success looks like

#### AIMS / OBJECTIVES

Reduce carbon emissions Improve biodiversity Adapt to new conditions

#### DATA & METRICS

Current carbon emissions Target reductions Target date and reporting

### PARTNERS

Local authorities Local community Local businesses Working group

### COMMUNICATION

Community engagement Networking Publicity

#### FUNDING

Local grants Project expenditure & income Fundraising

#### ENERGY

Main sources Main uses Renewables and energy-sharing

#### BUILDINGS

Insulation – domestic / commercial / public Renewable energy Other improvements

#### TRAVEL

Current patterns New opportunities Supporting actions

### FOOD & DRINK

Current supplies Local opportunities Supporting actions

#### WASTE

Current systems Recycling, including repair cafes Plastics reduction

#### PURCHASING

Carbon emissions by suppliers / products Criteria for selection Purchasing policy / procurement including social value procurement

#### BIODIVERSITY

Local flora and fauna Missing pathways Targeted actions and support

## EMERGENCY PLANS

Heatwave & drought Flooding Warm and cool hubs

### EMPLOYMENT

Local jobs / commuting Future opportunities

# LAND USE PLANNING

Neighbourhood development plan Comments on other plans / lobbying Responses to planning applications

## **RISKS ANALYSIS**

Identification Prevention Mitigation

# SUMMARY TABLE

| AIM /     | ACTION | LEADER(S) | CONTACT | RESOURCES & |        | SUSTAINABILITY |
|-----------|--------|-----------|---------|-------------|--------|----------------|
| OBJECTIVE |        |           |         | PARTNERS    | TIMING |                |
|           |        |           |         |             |        |                |
|           |        |           |         |             |        |                |
|           |        |           |         |             |        |                |
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# APPENDIX B – TEMPLATE FOR PROJECT APPRAISAL

# PROJECT APPRAISAL FORM

| Project title              |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| Project lead               |  |
| Partners                   |  |
| (confirmed / not)          |  |
| Project description,       |  |
| including any options,     |  |
| and proposed approach      |  |
|                            |  |
| Project history, including |  |
| research & consultation    |  |
| to date                    |  |
| Need for the project       |  |
| Scope / size of project    |  |
| Location                   |  |
| Fit to regeneration &      |  |
| recovery objectives        |  |
| Measurable outcomes /      |  |
| other benefits             |  |
| Support for other          |  |
| strategies / objectives    |  |
| Cost estimates             |  |
| (capital / revenue)        |  |
| Income sources             |  |
| (confirmed / not)          |  |
| Sustainability             |  |
| Risks                      |  |
| Assessment                 |  |
| Next steps                 |  |
| Appraiser & date           |  |

# PROJECT APPRAISAL GUIDANCE

| Project title  | Should be clear and short   |
|--|---|
| Project lead   | Project champion / origin if no named lead  |
| Partners   | Individuals and organisations to be involved in the   |
| (confirmed / not)  | project   |
| Project description,<br>including any options,<br>and proposed<br>approach | Enough detail to inform a decision for the project to<br>go forward. Test if proposers have considered the<br>zero option (doing nothing), and whether any other<br>options have been identified and fully explored |
| Project history,<br>including research &<br>consultation to date           | Include how the impact of climate change and the pandemic have been reviewed, as well as past local studies and discussions   |
| Need for the project   | Include evidence base e.g. indicators of deprivation, economic statistics, other research   |
| Scope / size of project  | Range of activity, partners and beneficiaries.<br>Physical size if capital project, area of operation /<br>benefit if revenue project   |
| Location   | Note any options  |
| Fit to regeneration &  | Match to locally agreed strategic objectives  |
| recovery objectives  |   |
| Measurable outcomes<br>/ other benefits                                    | Benefits for whom? Carbon reduction?<br>Early ideas on how to measure social outcomes e.g.<br>job creation, more health-giving activities   |
| Support for other  | Check against relevant local / district / county and  |
| strategies / objectives  | national strategies   |
| Cost estimates<br>(capital / revenue)                                      | Include origin of the figures e.g. whether or not formal estimate from contractors  |
| Income sources<br>(confirmed / not)  | Could include support in kind through staff time, free use of equipment etc.  |
| Sustainability   | Long term prospects in environmental / economic / social terms, including climate change  |
| Risks  | Risks that would prevent the project happening, and risks if the project doesn't happen (zero option)   |
| Assessment   | <ol> <li>Project should go forward, seek resources</li> <li>Project needs more research</li> <li>Project should not go forward because</li> <li>Other comment</li> </ol>  |
| Next steps   | Recommendations from the appraisal meeting, not necessarily for the project itself  |

### APPENDIX C - LOCAL COUNCILS' POWERS AND OPPORTUNITIES AROUND CLIMATE CHANGE

There are two main approaches to climate change:

- MITIGATION working towards community life having a minimal effect on the environment in general and carbon levels in particular ("carbon neutral"), including low energy use and taking up fewer resources
- ADAPTATION preparing for expected changes in the climate in future, such as rising flood levels and warmer temperatures (already happening)

Supporting local biodiversity has links to both these approaches. There is a certain amount local councils can do themselves, but beyond that they can still support action by other people at other levels of society and government by encouraging or campaigning.

| STATUTE  | GENERAL  | MITIGATION              | ADAPTATION   | CAMPAIGN                                   |
|--|--|-------------------------|--|--|
| Allotments and   | This allows the  | This can help to reduce | Allotments powers also   | Lobby the planning                         |
| markets:<br>(Small Holdings and<br>Allotments Act 1908, ss<br>23, 26 and 42; Food Act<br>1984, s. 50)  | promotion of local<br>produce and healthy<br>eating                                      | food-miles              | enable the provision of<br>communal food-growing<br>sites and initiatives, run<br>by associations and<br>cooperatives. | authority to encourage<br>farmers' markets |
| Burials etc:<br>(Open Spaces Act 1906,<br>ss 9 &10; Local<br>Government Act 1972,<br>s.214; Parish Councils &<br>Burial Authorities<br>(Miscellaneous<br>Provisions) Act 1970 s.1) | This can allow<br>practices such as<br>green burials, eco-<br>friendly management<br>etc |                         |  |  |

| Commons, ponds, open<br>spaces, recreation etc<br>(Open Spaces Act 1906,<br>s.15; Highways Act 1980,<br>ss 47)   | Scope to practise<br>good environmental<br>management,<br>accommodate<br>recycling facilities etc<br>on the council's land     | Scope to plant trees on,<br>and maintain, highway<br>verges (and ask for tree<br>preservation orders on<br>all existing mature trees)   |  | Lobby other<br>authorities to permit<br>fruit tree and<br>vegetable planting on<br>public land  |
|--|--|---|--|---|
| Community centres and<br>other public buildings<br>(Local Government<br>(Miscellaneous<br>Provisions) Act 1970,<br>s.19. (Local<br>Government Act 1972, s.<br>133) | Work towards being<br>carbon-neutral by<br>reducing the council's<br>carbon emissions and<br>using renewable<br>energy sources | Scope to embrace/<br>include on-site green<br>energy, energy-<br>conservation, electric<br>car charging-points,<br>recycling points etc   |  | Lobby planning<br>authorities to support<br>the installation of<br>renewable energy<br>systems, including in<br>conservation areas      |
| <b>Community energy</b><br>(s20 of the Climate<br>Change and Sustainable<br>Energy Act 2006)   | The 's 137 expenditure<br>limit' is a severe<br>constraint on making<br>capital investments in<br>energy schemes               | Councils can encourage<br>or promote the local<br>production and use of<br>renewable energy, and<br>also energy<br>conservation, subject to<br>the section 137 of the<br>LG Act 1972 annual<br>spending limit | Restrictions currently on<br>the ability to 'sell' the<br>energy directly to local<br>consumers.                   |   |
| Highways and<br>sustainable transport<br>(Highways Act, ss 43, 50,<br>Parish Councils Act 1957,<br>s.1; Local Government<br>Rating Act,                            | Scope to promote<br>rights of way routes,<br>walking and cycling   | Scope to use 'car park'<br>powers, to provide<br>useful facilities such as<br>on-site electric vehicle-<br>charging points and<br>cycle racks   | Scope to make more<br>use of powers to<br>support community bus<br>services, and to run or<br>support car- sharing | Lobby highway<br>authorities to reduce<br>street lighting in the<br>middle of the night,<br>and approve plans for<br>new cycling routes |

| 1997, s.25, 28 & 29;<br>Transport Act, 1985,<br>s.106A)   |  |  |   |   |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| Litter and<br>environmental crime<br>(Litter Act 1983, ss 5.6,<br>Cleaner Neighbourhoods<br>and Environment Act,<br>2005)               | Scope to provide<br>refuse and waste<br>receptacles and<br>publicity, including<br>recycling   | Scope to discourage<br>and prosecute littering<br>and dumping  | Currently there is no<br>specific power to<br>promote or run waste-<br>recycling or resource re-<br>use activities  |   |
| Neighbourhood<br>planning<br>(Localism Act, 2011;<br>Neighbourhood Planning<br>Act, 2017 and National<br>Planning Policy<br>Framework,) | There is a continuing<br>need to ensure that<br>Neighbourhood Plans<br>have 'teeth', and that<br>they can be more than<br>just land-use allocation<br>policies | Scope to include<br>environmentally-friendly<br>planning policies re<br>design, routes,<br>landscaping etc   | Encourage climate-<br>friendly activities such<br>as repair cafes, food<br>banks, and recycling   |   |
| Newsletters and<br>websites:<br>(Local Government Act<br>1972, s.142)   | Scope to use to<br>promote good<br>environmental<br>practices, resource-<br>sharing etc  |  |   |   |
| Community support and<br>engagement<br>(Local Government Act<br>1972 ss. 111, 140 etc)  | Scope to encourage<br>and support volunteers<br>and the wider<br>community with<br>grants, loans,<br>insurance protection,<br>publicity, surveys,              | Run a yearly schools'<br>competition to develop<br>ideas to make the town<br>carbon neutral, look at<br>the establishment of a<br>forum including<br>businesses, local | Hold open meetings for<br>residents on how to<br>increase biodiversity in<br>their garden, encourage<br>pollination corridors by<br>use of "bee squares";<br>adopt a "Refill" scheme, | Encourage local<br>residents to become<br>self-sufficient in<br>energy, capture<br>rainwater, grow their<br>own food and reduce<br>food waste |

| Tourism   | good-practice advice<br>etc  | organisations and<br>residents to develop<br>ideas to make the parish<br>carbon neutral  | making it easier to reuse<br>and refill plastic bottles<br>with free tap water in the<br>town.   |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Local Government Act,<br>1972, s.144)  | Scope to encourage<br>and promote eco-<br>tourism  |  |  |  |
| <b>General powers</b><br>(Local Government Act<br>1972, s 137; Localism Act<br>2011, ss 1–8, Local<br>Government and<br>Elections (Wales) Act<br>2021, Chapter 2) | S 137 annual<br>spending level is<br>limited, and the<br>General Power of<br>Competence is<br>exercisable by<br>relatively few councils  | Scope to spend money<br>and/or undertake work<br>on a wide range of<br>beneficial activities<br>which are not prescribed<br>in other legislation | Scope to spend money<br>and/or undertake work<br>on a wide range of<br>beneficial activities<br>which are not prescribed<br>in other legislation |  |
| Subsidiary powers<br>(Local Government Act<br>1972, s111):  | A very useful enabling<br>power, for a council to<br>do anything (that are<br>not constrained by<br>other legislation) which<br>is calculated to<br>facilitate or is<br>conducive or incidental<br>to the discharge of any<br>of its functions |  |  |  |
| Permitted development<br>rights<br>(Town and Country<br>Planning (General<br>Permitted Development)<br>(England) Order 2015,<br>part 12)                          | Councils may erect<br>and operate, without<br>the need to seek<br>planning permission, a<br>wide variety of small<br>buildings, equipment<br>and other structures  |  |  |  |

|   | on their land, for the<br>purposes of any of<br>their functions or<br>public services. This<br>can include a range of<br>small 'green'<br>developments   |  |   |  |
|---|--|--|---|--|
| Power to comment on<br>planning applications<br>as statutory consultee<br>(Town & Country<br>Planning Act 1990) | Most planning<br>applications in the<br>parish or town will be<br>sent by the planning<br>authority for comment  | Ask that any new<br>building is well insulated<br>and produces as much<br>of its own energy as<br>possible | Caution around any<br>development on low-<br>lying land due to flood<br>risk, and encourage tree<br>and food planting on site | Object to any<br>proposal for<br>development on green<br>field land on the basis<br>of no community<br>benefit – such land is<br>required for food<br>production |
| Power to work with<br>higher level councils<br>(Local Government Act<br>1972, ss. 101 & 136)                    | Section 136 could help<br>with expenditure on a<br>wider range of<br>activities but perhaps<br>more important is to<br>explore Section 101 in<br>detail with districts/<br>boroughs/ county<br>councils to look<br>at delegated or shared<br>services. |  |   |  |
| <b>Power to acquire land</b><br>(Local Government Act<br>1972, ss 124, 126 & 127)                               | Gives Parish Councils<br>the power to acquire<br>by agreement, to  |  |   |  |

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|---|--------------------------|---|--|
|   | appropriate (to          |   |  |
|   | dispose of) land –       |   |  |
|   | there is no restriction  |   |  |
|   | on the use of that land. |   |  |
| Car sharing schemes   | Gives Parishes the       |   |  |
| (Local Government and   | power to establish and   |   |  |
| Rating Act 1997 s.26)   | maintain a <b>car</b>    |   |  |
|   | sharing scheme that      |   |  |
|   | benefits the council's   |   |  |
|   | area or to assist others |   |  |
|   | in doing so. Now that    |   |  |
|   | could be limited to      |   |  |
|   | electric cars!           |   |  |
| Improve local   | Gives the power to       |   |  |
| biodiversity  | maintain or improve      |   |  |
| (Public Health Act 1936   | ditches and ponds –      |   |  |
| s.260)  | or pay others to do      |   |  |
|   | so. Ponds can be         |   |  |
|   | important for local      |   |  |
|   | biodiversity.            |   |  |
| Maintain and enhance  | Gives a duty to have     |   |  |
| biodiversity (Natural   | regard, so far as is     |   |  |
| Environment and Rural   | consistent with the      |   |  |
| Communities Act 2006  | proper exercise of a     |   |  |
| s.40, Environment<br>(Wales) Act 2016 s.6)  | council's functions, to  |   |  |
| $\left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac$ | the purpose of           |   |  |
|   | conserving               |   |  |
|   | biodiversity             |   |  |

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|     | Conservation Areas in the Holme Valley:                                   | " Boost post | ••• | 3 January 13:51 | 2.5K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 444<br>Post engagements  | 14<br>Reactions        |   | 12<br>Comments |
|     | Kirklees is undertaking a consultation on                                 | Boost post   | *** | 29 Nov 2022     | 3.1K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 1.9K<br>Post engagements | 21<br>Reactions        |   | 60<br>Comments |
|     | Conservation Areas in the Holme Valley: .                                 | " Boost post |     | 29 Nov 2022     | 733<br>Accounts Centre accou  | 102<br>Post engagements  | 5<br>Reactions         |   | 2<br>Comments  |
|     | The Holmfirth Blueprint consultation is n.<br>Holme Valley Parish Council | " Boost post | ••• | 18 Nov 2022     | 5.4K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 2K<br>Post engagements   | 31<br>Reactions        |   | 12<br>Comments |
|     | Conservation Areas in the Holme Valley:                                   | " Boost post |     | 27 Oct 2022     | 890<br>Accounts Centre accou  | 174<br>Post engagements  | 7<br>Reactions         |   | 6<br>Comments  |
|     | New Planning Applications List - Holme V<br>Bolme Valley Parish Council   | Boost post   |     | 25 Oct 2022     | 2.6K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 371<br>Post engagements  | 4<br>Reactions         |   | 3<br>Comments  |
|     | Conservation Areas in the Holme Valley:                                   | " Boost post |     | 24 Oct 2022     | 3.3K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 988<br>Post engagements  | 34<br>Reactions        |   | 15<br>Comments |
|     | Conservation Areas in the Holme Valley:                                   | " Boost post |     | 24 Oct 2022     | 4K<br>Accounts Centre accou   | 821<br>Post engagements  | 18<br>Reactions        |   | 6<br>Comments  |
|     | New Planning Applications List - Holme                                    | V Boost post |     | 21 Sep 2022     | 2K<br>Accounts Centre accou   | 252<br>Post engagements  | 6<br>Reactions         |   | 0<br>Comments  |

|   | New Planning Applications List - Holme<br>Holme Valley Parish Council | e V<br>Boost post |      | 11 Aug 2022 | 2.6K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 318<br>Post engagements | 2<br>Reactions | 2<br>Comments |
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| ] | New Planning Applications List - Holm                                 | e V<br>Boost post |      | 28 Jun 2022 | 2.9K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 343<br>Post engagements | 2<br>Reactions | 0<br>Comments |
|   | New Planning Applications List - Holm                                 | e V<br>Boost post |      | 3 Jun 2022  | 3.6K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 596<br>Post engagements | 5<br>Reactions | 7<br>Comments |
| Ï | Advice from the HVPC Planning Comm                                    | Boost post        |      | 26 May 2022 | 367<br>Accounts Centre accou  | 17<br>Post engagements  | 4<br>Reactions | 0<br>Comments |
| 0 | New Planning Applications List - Holm<br>Holme Valley Parish Council  | e V<br>Boost post | •••• | 3 May 2022  | 2.2K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 289<br>Post engagements | 3<br>Reactions | 0<br>Comments |
| j | A couple of bits of footpath-related inf                              | for Boost post    | ×*   | 2 May 2022  | 516<br>Accounts Centre accou  | 26<br>Post engagements  | 8<br>Reactions | 0<br>Comments |
| ] | New Planning Applications List - Holme                                | e V<br>Boost post | •••  | 1 Apr 2022  | 2.9K<br>Accounts Centre accou | 356<br>Post engagements | 6<br>Reactions | 0<br>Comments |

 "Reach" means the number of people who saw the post even in passing. It doesn't mean that people actually looked at the post or actively read it, it just means that it appeared in a person's Facebook feed and they were exposed to it. Reach is calculated by Facebook by multiplying the engagements by an integer. Reach may be especially important for, say, an advertiser, less so for an organisation like the Parish Council.

- "Engagements" adds up every reaction, like, share, comment, clicks on a link. This is probably a more useful metric for the Parish Council as it shows when a person has actively looked at information shared.
- "Reactions" adds up the number of uses of emojis by people on posts, LIKE, LOVE, CARE, HAHA, WOW, SAD, ANGRY.
- o "Comments" adds up the number of comments under a post.
- For information, most posts Holme Valley-wide posts, like the Planning Lists, were shared to both Holmfirth Community Group and Honley Community Facebook pages. Some location-specific posts were just sent to one or other, Honley and Oldfield Conservation Areas just went to Honley for example. Hinchliffe Mill Conservation Area post just went to the Holmbridge Community Page.

- Deputy Clerk's Report on the Facebook metrics on planning-related posts for 2022-23 to date:
- This is an edit from a Planning point of view of a bigger report on all HVPC Facebook posts for the Pubs and Comms Standing Committee.
- Facebook's use of different metrics to measure the effectiveness of a post provides interesting insights. For example, in January, the publication of the New Planning Applications List only got 3 LIKEs and, therefore, by the *Likes and reactions* metric the post would seem to be a bit of a pointless exercise. The Deputy Clerk did wonder if these posts were just a waste of time for 3 likes. However, the *Engagements* to the New Planning Applications List (1.6k) is much higher and can only really mean that a lot of people actually looked at the Applications List which shows that it is a worthwhile thing to do. *Liking* a Planning List post is not a likely type of engagement. This January Planning List post also scored much higher than previous ones on *Reach* with a score over 6k; normally posts of the Planning lists have a *Reach* around 3k. Why the January list was so much higher is unclear. All the New Planning Applications Lists across the year have had a *Reach* up to 3,000 but, more importantly, had *Engagements*, that is, numbers of people who actually looked at the list, into the several hundreds.
- The two November posts about Kirklees public consultations on the Holmfirth TRO 29<sup>th</sup> November and the Holmfirth Blueprint 18<sup>th</sup> November had high post engagements and the most comments from local people although many of the comments were either somewhat cynical of the consultations or done for laughs. The post about Holmfirth Blueprint had the highest active engagement (2k) across <u>all</u> HVPC posts over the year. The one about the Holmfirth TRO had the most comments of <u>all</u> HVPC post across the year.
- Regarding the posts to raise awareness of the Conservation Areas, the initial two posts on the Holmfirth Conservation Area (to Holmfirth Community Group page) and Honley (to the Honley Community page) had a lot of traction with *Reach* into the several thousands, 4k and 3.3k respectively, and *Engagements* (ie numbers who actually looked at the map or followed the link to the Kirklees site) at 988 and 821 respectively, meaning that 1,800 people actually engaged with the information that HVPC shared. The later posts about conservation areas have had lower reach and engagement, principally because the areas in question are smaller with lower population (Hinchliffe Mill, Oldfield, Holme), but, still, engagements were between 100 and 500, so between 100 and 500 looked at the maps and the information.