

To all Members of the Planning Committee

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE** to be held at the **EXHIBITION ROOM** at **THE CIVIC, HUDDERSFIELD ROAD, HOLMFIRTH HD9 3AS** on **MONDAY 9 DECEMBER 2024** at **700pm** to transact the following business: -

- AGENDA – (A)

Welcome

Open Session at Planning

7.00 pm

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.

2425 158 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014 7.15 pm

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.

2425 159 To accept apologies for absence 7.16 pm

2425 160 To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda 7.17 pm

2425 161 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations 7.18 pm

2425 162 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.

2425 163 To Confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting 7.20 pm

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- **To approve**, Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 11 November 2024, numbered 2425 135 – 2425 157 inclusive. **(B)**

Assistant Clerk to update on progress and matters arising from the previous minutes not otherwise covered in the agenda.

To consider, any further action.

2425 164 Kirklees Planning Applications 7.25 pm

- i. - **To note**, List of Kirklees planning applications 30 September 2024 to 5 November 2024 updated with the views of the Committee. **(C)**
- ii. - **To consider**, New or amended applications received from Kirklees Council 5 November 2024 to 3 December 2024 inclusive – List 2425-09 enclosed. **(D)**
- iii. - **To note**, Notification of appeal for application reference APP/Z4718/W/24/3354853 for site at Former Hall Ing Quarry, Brockholes. **(E)**
 - **To consider**, any further action.

2425 165 Peak District National Park Authority 7.45 pm

- i. No new or amended applications were received from the Peak District National Park Authority from 30 September 2024 to 5 November 2024 inclusive to be updated with the views of the Committee.
- ii. - No new or amended applications were received by Peak District National Park Authority 5 November 2024 to 3 December 2024 inclusive.
 - **To consider**, any further action.
- iii. - The Peak District National Park Authority is reviewing its Local Plan. The Planning Committee submitted their consolidated response to the consultation on behalf of Holme Valley Parish Council on 28 November 2024. **(F)**
 - **To note**, HVPC Response to PDNPA local plan review consultation. **(F)**
 - **To consider**, any further action.

2425 166 Traffic Calming 7.50 pm

- i. **Purchase of SIDs for the Holme Valley**
 - The Parish Council has now been invoiced by Kirklees Council for the two mobile speed indicator devices (SIDs). The two SIDs cost individually £3,565.14 and £3,637.14, a total of £7,202.28. The invoice will be paid after Finance and Management 2nd December 2024.

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Deputy Clerk to report.

- **To consider**, any further action.

ii. Kirklees Council Management of Speeding in the Holme Valley

At a previous meeting of the committee on 11 November 2024 Cllrs **resolved** that the Officer would contact Cllr Crook to seek clarification about the process whereby a community speed van comes to be placed at a site and ask whether the Police are ever likely to refuse a request from Kirklees to place a speed van. Also clarification why there was an advisory that data should not be shared with the general public. The Officer would also seek road speed data sheets from Holme Valley North District Councillors. Cllr Damian Brook, it was reported, was also seeking some of these same clarifications.

Updates have been received from Kirklees Cllrs.

Assistant Clerk and Cllrs to report on progress.

- **To Consider**, any further action.

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iii. School Parking Bollards

At previous meetings of this committee, and action for Cllr Liles was to contact Hade Edge school regarding the possible use of the six "Think Before You Park" bollards that are currently in storage.

Assistant Clerk and Cllrs to report on progress.

- **To consider**, any further action.

2425 167 **Ongoing highways campaigns, including unmade roads, green lanes and byways of the Holme Valley** **8.00 pm**

The ongoing campaigns are:

- i. **Ramsden Road**
- ii. **Cartworth Moor Road**
- iii. **Cheesegate Nab**

Cllrs and the Assistant Clerk to report on updates received.

- **To consider**, any further action.

2425 168 **Planning Policy, Guidance and Consultation** **8.05 pm**

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i. South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Consultation on Bus Franchising.

SYMCA are consulting on bus franchising within the South Yorkshire boundary and those routes that overlap with other authorities.

A frequently asked questions document has been included with the papers. **(G)**

The consultation is open until 15 January 2025 and can be accessed via the link: <https://www.southyorkshire-ca.gov.uk/bus-reform>

To consider, HVPC response to the consultation.

ii. Saddleworth Parish Council, Neighbourhood Development Plan Consultation.

The Clerk at Saddleworth PC has written to thank HVPC for their contribution to their NDP consultation. **(H)**

2425 169 Design Code 8.10 pm

Cllr Ransby to report on progress.

- **To consider**, any further action.

2425 170 Place Standards, Holmfirth Blueprint, Holmfirth Town Centre Access Plan 8.15 pm

Cllr Wilson attended a meeting of the Holmfirth Centre Steering Group on 11 September 2024. The notes from the meeting are now available. **(I)**

The group will continue to meet approximately every 8 weeks.

Cllr Wilson to report.

- **To note**, Notes from the Holmfirth Centre Steering Group 11 September 2024 **(I)**.
- **To consider**, further action.

2425 171 Kirklees Local Plan Review 8.20 pm

At a previous meeting on 15 July 2024 the committee **resolved** to form a Working Group consisting of Cllr Blacka (Chair), Cllr Ransby, Cllr Colling, and Cllr Wilson to coordinate the work around the Kirklees Local Plan Review and the response from Holme Valley Parish Council. Cllr Liles, Cllr Rylah and Cllr Whitelaw have since joined membership of this group and they are also

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working with a representative from Holme Valley Vision.

The Working Group met on 14 November 2024 have submitted notes from the meeting. **(J)**

The next Working Group meeting is due to take place on Wednesday 18 December at 7pm.

An early engagement consultation on the Kirklees Local Plan opened on 25 November 2024 and will run until 28 February 2025. The early engagement consultation introduction **(K)** and Survey **(L)** have been included with the papers.

To note, Notes from the Working Group meeting of 14 November 2024 **(J)**, and information from the Kirklees Local Plan review early engagement consultation **(K), (L)**.

Working Group to report.

To consider, any further action.

2425 172 Neighbourhood Development Plan 8.30 pm

Cllr Ransby to report on his work on the Holme Valley Parish Council Neighbourhood Development Plan.

- **To consider**, any further action.

2425 173 Planning Standing Committee Expenditure against Budget and reserves 2024-25 8.35 pm

To note, the Planning Committee's expenditure against budget 2024-25 year to date:

- The Planning Committee has one budget line under its remit. This is 4505 Neighbourhood Plan. At the start of the Council year, the budget contained £1,500. No expenditure has come from this budget line.
- It is projected that money may be spent from this fund on the art and design on the Shop Front Design Guide Booklet. A quote for artwork, art direction and layout design has been received for £1,120.00.
- The Booklet will be an 8-page, full colour A5 saddle and stitch booklet on 150gsm silk finish paper.
- Subsequent printing costs will depend on the print run:
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 - o x1000: £213.98
 - o x1500: £279.22.

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- If the Committee, approved a print run of 1,500 copies, this would cost a total of £1,399.22. Around £100 would remain in the Committee budget 2024-25. If this money was not spent this year, the money could be rolled over into an earmarked reserve under regulation of the HVPC Financial Regulations as this is an ongoing project.

To note, the Planning Committee's earmarked reserves for the financial year 2024-25.

- In earmarked reserves, the Committee oversees one fund, EMR 343 Road Safety.
- After the payment of £7,202.28 on two mobile speed indicator devices (SIDs) £4,850 will remain in EMR 343 Road Safety. As the expenditure for this project is now considered complete, this EMR will be presented to Full Council on 16 December 2024 to be disestablished and returned to General Reserves.

2425 174 Planning Standing Committee Budget and recommendations from Finance and Management Committee for 2025-26 8.40 pm

To note, Following the Finance and Management Committee meeting on 2 December 2024, the Finance and Management Committee will make the following recommendations to Full Council on 16 December 2024 on the budget and EMRs of the Planning Committee in 2025-26:

- The budget line 4505 (Neighbourhood Plan) for 2025-26 is recommended to be £2,500 to cover expected expenditure and includes an additional £1,000 to cover expenditure relating to the Kirklees Local Plan Review.

2425 175 Publicising the work of Holme Valley Parish Council 8.45 pm

Assistant Clerk to update on planned activity.

To consider, recent events or news that this Committee wishes to publicise via the press, Parish Council website or social media.

Close **8.50 pm**

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



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DRAFT Minutes of the **PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE** held at the **EXHIBITION ROOM, THE CIVIC, HUDDERSFIELD ROAD, HOLMFIRTH HD9 3AS** on **MONDAY 11 November 2024** at **700pm**

In Attendance:

Chair: Cllr Mary Blacka

Members: Cllr Isaac Barnett, Cllr Tom Dixon, Cllr Jo Liles, Cllr Andy Wilson

Apologies: Cllr Damian Brook, Cllr Pat Colling, Cllr Steve Ransby

Absent: Cllr Andrew Fenwick, Cllr Donald Firth

Welcome

Open Session at Planning

Two members of the public were present regarding a planning application under 2425 141 Matters Arising. One member of the public spoke in the open session and asked that the Parish Council revise its previous opposition to a planning application.

2425 136 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014

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

No other recordings were to be made.

2425 137 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr Damian Brook, Cllr Pat Colling and Cllr Steve Ransby were absent from the meeting and had sent apologies.

Cllr Andrew Fenwick and Cllr Donald Firth were also absent from the meeting.

Resolved: The reasons for the apologies of Cllr Damian Brook, Cllr Pat Colling and Cllr Steve Ransby were approved by the Committee.

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2425 138 To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

None were disclosed.

2425 139 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations

None had been received.

2425 140 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

Resolved: The Committee resolved that no items would be heard in private session.

2425 141 To Confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Approved: The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 7 October 2024, numbered 2425 119 – 2425 135 inclusive were approved by the Committee.

Noted as matters arising, the Committee noted that two members of the public had attended the full Council meeting 14 October 2024 to make representations regarding the Planning Committee's decision from 16 September to object to application 2024/62/92626/W and this was recorded in the provisional, draft minutes of that meeting:

"One member of the public in support of the application asked that the Parish Council reconsider the decision to object, making the following points:

- That the application and site referred to was **not** agricultural land but a commercial stables – Class Q does not apply.
- That this was a brownfield site in line with planning policy.
- That the land had been used for 40 years and that its deeds refer to a right of way.
- That access to the land was not inadequate and visibility was good.
- That the current owners had erected the wide gate.
- That the footprint of building would be reduced, reducing spread into the greenbelt.
- That the change in use proposed would result in a reduction in vehicle movement.
- The property would be a low-carbon, triple-glazed, air-sourced heat pump, grey water harvesting, highly insulated property.
- That similar properties had had similar applications approved."

The Parish Council considered any further action on this application.

Resolved: No further action

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2425 142 Completed Kirklees Planning Applications List

Noted: The list of Kirklees planning applications 10 September 2024 to 30 September 2024 updated with the views of the Committee, was noted by the Committee.

2425 143 Kirklees Council - New Planning Applications

- i. The Committee considered new or amended applications received from Kirklees Council 30 September 2024 to 5 November 2024 inclusive – List 2425-08 enclosed.

Resolved: That the Planning Committee's comments on the above applications be forwarded to Kirklees Council by the Officer.

- ii. At a previous meeting of the Planning Committee on 16 September 2024 the Committee **resolved** to trial a new approach to reviewing planning applications. Committee are invited to feedback their ongoing impressions of the new approach. The Committee considered whether to continue with the trial of the new approach to reviewing planning applications or to amend the parameters based on initial feedback.

Resolved: The Committee resolved to review the trial in January as previously agreed.

2425 144 Peak District National Park Authority

- i. **Noted:** The Committee noted that no new or amended applications had been received from the Peak District National Park Authority 30 September 2024 to 5 November 2024 that necessitated being updated with the views of the Committee.
- ii. **Noted:** The Committee noted that no new or amended applications had been received by Peak District National Park Authority 30 September 2024 to 5 November 2024 inclusive. The Committee considered whether any further action was needed.
Resolved: No further action.
- iii. The Committee heard that the Peak District National Park Authority is reviewing its Local Plan, and there is a consultation period on this ending 29th November 2024. **The** Committee considered how Holme Valley Parish Council would respond to this consultation.

Resolved: A response to the consultation would be devolved to the Local Plan Working Group.

2425 145 Traffic Calming

i. Purchase of SIDs for the Holme Valley

Noted: The Committee noted that the Parish Council had finally been invoiced by Kirklees Council for two mobile speed indicator devices (SIDs). The two SIDs cost individually £3,565.14 and £3,637.14, a total of £7,202.28. The invoice would be paid after Finance and Management 2nd December 2024.

The Committee considered any further action on this matter.

Resolved: No further action at this time.

ii. Kirklees Council Management of Speeding in the Holme Valley

Following the meeting last month, Officers and Councillors were actioned to contact Kirklees Councillors to gain greater understanding on how data collection from SIDs works, the timeframes involved, and the process by which data triggers further action, - that is, the placement of a community speed van. Members noted the response from Cllr Moses Crook and a further email where Cllr Crook reported that a camera van had been placed on Greenfield Road after the data sheet on that highway showed that speeding had exceeded the threshold for action. There was discussion about the communication from Cllr Crook that speeding data collected by SIDs should not be shared with the public. Members considered any further action on this matter.

Resolved: The Officer would contact Cllr Crook to seek clarification about the process whereby a community speed van comes to be placed at a site and ask whether the Police are ever likely to refuse a request from Kirklees to place a speed man. Also clarification why there was an advisory that data should not be shared with the general public. Cllr Damian Brook, it was reported, was also seeking some of these same clarifications.

Resolved: The Officer would also seek road speed data sheets from Holme Valley North District Councillors.

There was discussion about co-operation with neighbouring parishes (Denby Dale) about sharing information on anti-speeding measures, and so on.

Cllr Wilson also shared that he had tried to get information on the siting of the SIDs that the Parish Council had paid for from the relevant Kirklees Officer but had had no success.

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iii. School Parking Bollards

At previous meetings of this committee, Members were asked to approach primary schools they have a connection to, to find a new host school for the six "Think Before You Park" bollards. Cllr Liles had said she would contact Hade Edge School, but had not yet done so.

Resolved: Cllr Liles would contact Hade Edge School.

If Hade Edge was not receptive, the Chair proposed that all Councillors would be notified that the bollards were available for use at a local school.

2425 146 Ongoing highways campaigns, including unmade roads, green lanes and byways of the Holme Valley

Noted: It was noted that Cllr Wilson had written on the Parish Council's behalf to the Kirklees consultation on the proposed overarching TRO covering Ramsden Road, Ramsden Lane, Brownhill Lane, Kiln Bent Road, Holme Woods Lane, Rake Head Road, Old Gate, Scaly Gate, Cheesegate Nab.

The ongoing campaigns are:

i. Ramsden Road

Noted: The Committee noted Cllr Wilson's report that the ongoing repairs had now been completed, but that the byway remained closed under a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order with concrete blocks blocking access.

ii. Cartworth Moor Road

iii. Cheesegate Nab

iv. South Lane

The works on South Lane are reported to have been completed.

2425 147 NATTRAN/Y&H/S247/5644 Public Inquiry regarding the proposed stopping up of highway at part of Holmfirth Footpath 60 (HOL/60/20), Wolfstones Road

Noted: Members noted that the public inquiry by the Department for Transport had been delayed until January to May 2025 due to the inspector not being available for the original date.

2425 148 Proposed Stopping Up of part of Horn Lane

Members considered the proposed stopping up of part of highway which lies to the south of Horn Lane, New Mill.

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to take no action on this proposal.

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2425 149 Planning Policy, Guidance and Consultation

Noted: The Committee noted the consultation on the Draft Holcroft Moss Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document. This site is near Warrington, so some distance from the Holme Valley.

2425 150 Design Code

Cllr Ransby was not present to report on this so the matter was deferred to the next meeting.

2425 151 Place Standards, Holmfirth Blueprint, Holmfirth Town Centre Access Plan

Noted: Cllr Blacka shared that there was nothing new to report on these matters and that the next meeting had been cancelled.

2425 152 Kirklees Local Plan Review

At a previous meeting on 15 July 2024 the committee resolved to form a Working Group consisting of Cllr Blacka (Chair), Cllr Ransby, Cllr Colling, and Cllr Wilson to coordinate the work around the Kirklees Local Plan Review and the response from Holme Valley Parish Council. Cllr Liles, Cllr Rylah and Cllr Whitelaw had since joined the working group along with Margaret Dale from Holmfirth Forward. This review was considered to be a process of partnership working between the Parish Council and other stakeholders.

Noted: Cllr Blacka reported that the next meeting of the Working Group had been arranged for 14th November 2024 at 7pm in The Civic.

2425 153 Neighbourhood Development Plan

Noted: The Committee noted Cllrs Blacka's progress report on the Parish Council's Neighbourhood Development Plan Action Plan originally drafted in November 2022.

Cllr Ransby was not present to report on a potential review of the Holme Valley Parish Council Neighbourhood Development Plan so this was deferred to the next meeting.

2425 154 Planning Working Groups

The Committee heard that the Clerk is reviewing all the Working Groups set up across all the Standing Committees to see which are still operating, and which not. The Planning Committee has two active working groups, - the Local Plan Working Group and the Planning Applications Process Working Group.

Resolved: To communicate to the Clerk that both these working groups are active, and that there are no additional Working groups.

2425 155 Planning Standing Committee Expenditure against Budget and reserves 2024-25

- i. **Noted:** Members noted the Planning Committee's actual expenditure against budget year-to-date 2024-25 including the pending payment on the SIDs.
- ii. **Noted:** The Committee noted the RFO's report on projected expenditure against budgets, that is, that -
 - The Planning Committee has one budget line under its remit. This is 4505 Neighbourhood Plan. At the start of the Council year, the budget contained £1,500. No expenditure has come from this budget line.
 - It was projected that money may be spent from this fund on the art and design on the Shop Front Design Guide Booklet. A quote for artwork, art direction and layout design has been received for £1,120.00. The Booklet will be an 8-page, full colour A5 saddle and stitch booklet on 150gsm silk finish paper. Subsequent printing costs would depend on the print run:
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- iii. **Noted:** The Planning Committee noted the RFO's following report on the earmarked reserves for the financial year 2024-25:
 - In earmarked reserves, the Committee oversees one fund, EMR 343 Road Safety.
 - After the payment of £7,202.28 on two mobile speed indicator devices (SIDs) £4,850 will remain in EMR 343 Road Safety.

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- iv. The Committee considered any further action on the Planning Committee's budget and earmarked reserves for the financial year 2024-25.

Resolved: Unspent money in the earmarked reserve EMR 343 Road Safety would be recommended by the Committee for Council to return it to general reserves.

2425 156 Planning Standing Committee Budget and Earmarked Reserves for 2025-26

The Committee considered its budgetary and earmarked reserves needs for the upcoming Council year 2025-26 and any subsequent years.

Resolved: The Planning Committee requested a single budget line 4505 Neighbourhood Plan for 2025-26 to hold £1,500. The Committee did not feel that this budget line needed to account for future planning or an inflationary uplift. The Committee did want to advise Council, though, that it may require a greater budget in year 2026-27 when a more concerted review of the Kirklees Local Plan and consultation thereon are likely to be required.

The Planning Committee resolved it did not want any earmarked reserves at this stage for 2025-26.

2425 157 Publicising the work of Holme Valley Parish Council

The Committee considered recent events or news that it may wish to publicise via the press, Parish Council website or social media.

Resolved: No further action on this matter.

The meeting closed at 8:29pm

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HVPC Reference	Application No	Proposed Development	Location	Link	HVPC Comment
2425/08/01	2024/44/92677/W	Discharge of details reserved by condition 4 (landscaping) on previous permission 2021/94677 for demolition of existing garage and erection of extensions and alterations	20, Leyfield Bank, Wooldale, Holmfirth, HD9 1XU	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92677	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/02	2024/62/92819/W	Change of use and alterations to convert from furniture manufacturing to indoor cricket centre	Enterprise Works, Long Lane, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6EA	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92819	Support, but was unclear regarding the provision of parking .
2425/08/03	2024/44/92703/W	Discharge of details reserved by conditions 3 (CEMP), 15 (retaining walls materials), 22 (drainage), 23 (FRA), 32 (Verification Report), 34 (boundary treatments), 43 (infrastructure design) and 45 (PROW temporary diversion strategy) of previous permission 2021/92206 for erection of 137 homes with open space, landscaping and associated infrastructure	Land off, Woodhead Road, Brockholes, Holmfirth	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92703	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/04	2024/62/92797/W	Change of use of workshop to kitchen with master bedroom over, erection of porch and alterations and improvements	Law Slack, Penistone Road, Hepworth, Holmfirth, HD9 2TR	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92797	Support

2425/08/05	2024/62/92841/W	Change of use from equestrian stud facility (private use) to equestrian facility (private use) and commercial stud, including retention of existing menage (part retrospective)	Springhead Farm and Springhead Stud, Scholes Moor Road, Hade Edge, Holmfirth, HD9 1RU	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92841	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/06	2024/62/92787/W	Demolition of existing porch and erection of single storey front extension and external alterations	Larks House, Meal Hill Lane, Jackson Bridge, Holmfirth, HD9 7HS	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92787	Support
2425/08/07	2024/62/92805/W	Demolition of outbuildings and erection of single-storey building to create dwelling forming annex accommodation associated with Sycamore Lodge, 41, Broad Lane, Upperthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3XE	Sycamore Lodge, 41, Broad Lane, Upperthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3XE	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92805	Support subject to the annex development remaining subservient to the main residence .
2425/08/08	2024/62/92895/W	Demolition of garage and erection of two storey side and single storey front extensions	17, Netherlea Drive, Netherthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3EX	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92895	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/09	2024/62/92908/W	Demolition of existing garage, removal of concrete hardstanding and erection of detached dwelling with associated parking	2, Poplar Avenue, Thongsbridge, Holmfirth, HD9 7TL	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92908	Support subject to no overlooking and provision of sufficient parking.
2425/08/10	2024/62/90548/W	Erection of veterinary surgery (Use Class E) and associated works including the formation car parking and landscaping	Former Riverside Works, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6PW	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/90548	Support. The Parish Council would expect a stronger climate mitigation statement from such an extensive development.

2425/08/11	2024/CL/93000/W	Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of land as car park (within a Conservation Area)	Land at, Station Road / Back Lane, Holmfirth	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93000	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/12	2024/CL/92886/W	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed erection of porch structure to front	The Gables, Town Gate, Hepworth, Holmfirth, HD9 1TE	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92886	Support
2425/08/13	2024/CL/92870/W	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed demolition of existing conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension	8, White Wells Gardens, Scholes, Holmfirth, HD9 1TZ	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92870	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/14	2024/62/92942/W	Erection of single storey extension	8, New Road, Netherthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3XT	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92942	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/15	2024/62/92993/W	Partial demolition of garage, erection of single storey rear extension, part single and part two storey side extension and external alterations	21, Edgemoor Road, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6HP	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92993	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/16	2024/62/92947/W	Alterations to attached shelter to form garden room	Hunters Lodge, Cemetery Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2RH	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/92947	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
2425/08/17	2024/62/93034/W	Erection of extensions and alterations to former public house to form two dwellings with associated car parking	Ford Inn, Greenfield Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2LS	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93034	Support, though the Parish Council would expect a stronger climate mitigation statement from such a development.

2425/08/18	2024/TN/93135/W	Dead or Dangerous tree(s)	Wells Green, Broomy Lea Lane, Netherthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3EL	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93135	No comment. Defer to Kirklees officers.
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HVPC Reference	Application No	Proposed Development	Location	Link	Ward /Councillors
2425/09/01	2024/62/93099/W	Erection of rear extensions and single storey outbuilding	53, Gynn Lane, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6LF	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93099	Honley Central and East - PC & IB
2425/09/02	2024/62/93039/W	Erection of canopy and roof terrace and alterations to existing conservatory	20, Marsh Gardens, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6AF	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93039	Honley Central and East - PC & IB
2425/09/03	2024/62/93103/W	Alterations to side link, conversion of outbuilding to living accommodation and alterations to dwelling (within a Conservation Area)	8, Woodhead Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2JU	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93103	Upperthong - AW & SR
2425/09/04	2024/N /93148/W	Overhead lines	Town End Farm, 17, Flush House Lane, Holmbridge, Holmfirth, HD9 2QY	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93148	Upper Holme Valley - AW & JL
2425/09/05	2024/62/93073/W	Part first floor and two storey extension to rear (within a Conservation Area)	17, Town Gate, Upperthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3UX	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93073	Upperthong - AW & SR
2425/09/06	2024/CL/93023/W	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed erection of single storey rear extension	19, Summer View, Holmfirth, HD9 7FH	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93023	Holmfirth Central - MB & SR
2425/09/07	2024/CL/93020/W	Certificate of lawfulness for existing installation of 16 windows and 3 doors (within a Conservation Area)	Montreal, 37, South Lane, Holmfirth, HD9 1HJ	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93020	Holmfirth Central - MB & SR
2425/09/08	2024/62/93083/W	Erection of single and two storey extensions and garage at lower ground level and alterations	4, Thong Lane, Netherthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3TY	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93083	Netherthong - IB & MB
2425/09/09	2024/62/93109/W	Formation of 2 parking spaces (Listed Building within a Conservation Area)	29, Oldfield, Oldfield Road, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6RL	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93109	Honley South - PC & IB
2425/09/10	2024/62/93188/W	Installation of solar panels (Listed Building)	Christ Church, Sude Hill, New Mill, Holmfirth, HD9 7ER	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93188	Fulstone - DF & TD

2425/09/11	2024/62/93052/W	Erection of first floor extension to rear and conservatory to front (within a Conservation Area)	1 2, Well Hill, Underbank Old Road, Holmfirth, HD9 1EG	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93052	Holmfirth Central - MB & SR
2425/09/12	2024/62/93212/W	Alterations to convert existing store/workshop to one dwelling with associated parking, outdoor amenity space and landscaping	New Closes Farm, Wickins Lane, Holmfirth, HD9 3RB	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93212	Upperthong - AW & SR
2425/09/13	2024/62/93264/W	Erection of replacement dormer, terrace to rear elevation, new windows and doors, installation of timber cladding and associated alterations	Greystones, Kirkbridge Lane, New Mill, Holmfirth, HD9 7LG	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93264	Fulstone - DF & TD
2425/09/14	2024/62/93309/W	Removal of existing chimney, re-roof dwelling and re-clad dormers	96, Far Banks, Banks Road, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6NW	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93309	Honley South - PC & IB
2425/09/15	2024/62/93233/W	Installation of 22 solar panels to the south facing roof (within a Conservation Area)	Tragalmor, Cinder Hills Road, Holmfirth, HD9 1EH	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93233	Holmfirth Central - MB & SR
2425/09/16	2024/44/93394/W	Discharge of details reserved by conditions 3 (access and parking provision), 4 (parking and visitor parking), 5 (turning facilities), 6 (construction traffic), 7 (collection of wastes), 11 (external materials), 12 (boundary treatments) on previous 2024/90616 permission for erection of two detached dwellings	land between, Bradshaw Road and Honey Head Lane, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6EE	http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/search-for-planning-applications/detail.aspx?id=2024/93394	Honley South - PC & IB

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Date: 19-Nov-2024
Our Ref: 2024/90416

Dear Sir/Madam

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - Section 78

Appeal by S Morris

Site at Former Hall Ing Quarry, Hall Ing Road, Brockholes, Holmfirth, HD3 3FR

Planning Reference: 2024/90416

Appeal Reference: APP/Z4718/W/24/3354853

Appeal Start Date: 19-Nov-2024

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.

The appeal will be determined on the basis of written representations. The procedure to be followed is set out in Part 2 of The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure)(England) Regulations 2009, 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 using the appeal reference number via <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/>. If you do not have access to the internet, you can send **one** copy (quoting the appeal reference) to:

Kate Moody
The Planning Inspectorate
3N
Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Bristol
BS1 6PN.

All representations must be received by 24 Dec 2024. 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 view the details of the planning appeal online at www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning by searching for application number 2024/90416. Alternatively you can view an electronic copy of all documents at the Huddersfield Library Hub, Civic Centre 3:
Monday – Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm; except Thursday 10.00am to 5.00pm.

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 <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/taking-part-in-a-planning-listed-building-or-enforcement-appeal> or from us.

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 Tom Hunt on 01484 414746.

Yours faithfully

Mathias Franklin
Head of Planning and Development



Holme Valley Parish Council Planning Standing Committee

Response to the Peak District National Park Issues and Options consultation November 2024

Preliminary

Approximately one-third of the Holme Valley Parish Council (HVPC) area lies within the Peak District National Park (PDNP). This includes part of the village of Holme and a number of small settlements and isolated dwellings.

Most of the land is sparsely populated moorland, designated as part of the PDNP Natural Zone. In the HVPC Neighbourhood Plan the area was characterised as Wessenden Moors - open moorland and exposed farmland grazed by sheep - and the Holme Moorland Fringe - rough grazing and semi-improved pasture.

We would like to congratulate all involved in the production of the consultation documents, in particular, the *Issues and options consultation* document, which is a very handsome production. It also succeeds in being as accessible as it could be, given that it deals with a complex set of issues.

The time that the Parish Council has had to respond to this consultation has been rather limited. As a consequence, the responses are brief and restricted. We have not been able to address all the themes but have concentrated on those which are of greatest relevance to the HVPC.

As part of the formulating this response, we consulted some residents of Holme village. In the main they agreed with the initial draft, produced by members of an HVPC Working Group but there were some questions - numbers 10,11 and 16 - on which they did not share our viewpoint. These alternative views are included in the document.

3. Landscape, biodiversity and nature recovery

Question 9: Challenges and spatial objectives

(a) Yes

(b) This seems to be a sensible use of the new powers under the 2021 Environment Act, in pursuit of the PDNPA's legal requirement to conserve **and** enhance landscape and wildlife and to positively address the biodiversity and climate crises.

Question 10: Landscape and nature recovery

(a) Yes

(b) We welcome the potential for all development, however small, to contribute to nature recovery. Equally we feel that requirements should be set for developments outside the BNG, in terms of the provision of ecological information, mitigation and enhancement.

There are mixed feeling about the possibility of planting trees on the lower slopes of the

moorland, which would have been heavily wooded in the past. Farmers are reluctant to lose grazing land but farming is in decline and trees have a big role to play in flood mitigation measures. They also increase bio-diversity.

Residents' views

We disagree that farming is in decline. It has always been influenced by Government policy. This has changed and we would argue that given the current challenges of climate change and a growing population, it has become much more important. In this area we do not agree that trees will increase biodiversity, as it is well known for the number and variety of wading birds. In the upper reaches of the Holme Valley there are already significantly more trees now, as evidenced from old photographs. Due regard surely must be given to the wading bird habitat which is already established, and an increase in trees will destroy this.

Question 11: Biodiversity net gain

- (a) Yes
- (b) This would be an indication of serious intent to tackle the climate crisis.

Residents' views

We don't agree that the Peak Park should go beyond the mandatory 10% BNG, as stated in the Working Group's response to Question 11. We feel that they should be subjected to the same rules and processes as developments on the other side of the Peak Park boundary. We are already subjected to more onerous planning and costly restrictions.

Question 12: Development in the natural zone

- (a) No. Points C (ii) and (iii) could be more tightly drawn.
- (b) The tightest possible restrictions are needed to conserve and enhance the natural zone. The vast majority of HVPC land which lies in the PDNP is part of the natural zone.

Question 13: Whole estate plans

- (a) No
- (b) We are uncertain as to why there should be any special treatment for developments on estates. They should be subject to the same rules and process as all other developments.

4. Cultural heritage and built environment

Question 14: Proposed Local Plan objectives for cultural heritage and the built environment

- (a) Yes
- (b) We appreciate the strong focus on addressing climate change and agree with this stance. We urge you to consider how, in reality, in decision making, you make sure the distinctive characteristics of places are protected and how you will resist the urge to have conformity and uniformity. We would like to see an approach based on consistency using criteria rather than application of rigid rules.

Question 15: Heritage assets

We welcome the use of a clear, transparent methodology to support decision making recognising many situations will lack clarity. This will go some way to addressing our concern, expressed in our answer to Q14, as it will provide a necessary framework to support robust decision making, while respecting difference. The heritage assets will vary considerably across the different places in the Peak District, given its size and the way places, buildings and other assets have been affected by human intervention over the centuries. However, putting this into practice will require good quality training so all those

involved in the decision making process understand the methodology and are able to apply it to a high standard. Monitoring of decision making is a key part of this as well.

Question 16: Local list

(a) Yes

(b) We wonder what actions you will take to ensure wide spread involvement from local people in the creation of a local list. The local list is essential to ensure distinctive difference in style of buildings are respected. Saying there will be significant input from local people is an easy commitment to make and we strongly support it. However, we hope you will ensure there are sufficient resources and commitment throughout the Planning Authority to ensure the commitment is put into action. We also agree the local list will not be conclusive so understand that continuous action will be required to develop and update it. While this may be resource intensive, we consider the expenditure will be an investment rather than cost as it will have longer term value in cultural and heritage terms. Social value as well as economic.

Residents' views

Another list is unnecessary and costly. It would need updating and maintaining. If worthy, a building should already be on the List. Again we are subjected to more stringent planning restrictions.

Question 17: The conversion of isolated traditional buildings

(a) Yes

(b) Isolated buildings, as identified in the issues section, have distinctive considerations which make them different from other types of buildings. We understand the pressure from owners to obtain economic value from their properties but some buildings have outlived their usefulness so should be allowed to decay or be repurposed in a way that does not compromise the environment or add to the climate change emergency. Having a policy and criteria, as set out, will allow the Planning Authority to consider the particular features and conflicting demands when assessing an application to convert or re-use. It is a shame the Planning Authority does not have the authority to call forward such buildings and allowing them to decay just happens without permission needed.

5. Climate change and sustainable building

Question 18: Proposed Local Plan objectives for climate change and sustainable building

(a) Yes

(b) Climate change and its impact on communities is widely recognised. HVPC has already adopted many initiatives related to climate change and therefore supports the approach by the PDNP.

Question 19: Replacement dwellings

(a) Yes

(b) No

(c) Yes

(d) In addition to the environmental impact of losing existing buildings, the issue with the lack of smaller, more affordable homes requires addressing both nationally and within the PDNP.

Question 20: Avoiding carbon emissions in development

- (a) Yes
- (b) High levels of insulation, double/triple glazing, solar PV, solar water heating, air source/ground source heating
- (c) Solar PV
- (d) Similar to homes for office type buildings but manufacturing would be similar to farm buildings
- (e) New or redevelopment of existing building presents an ideal opportunity to install many of the technologies to reduce carbon emissions

Question 21: Low carbon and renewable energy development

The current criteria of “permit renewable energy development without harming landscape, cultural heritage and other special qualities” seems appropriate but the challenge lies with developing technologies and materials that allow the use of renewables without causing harm.

For example, it is very difficult to access renewable energy technology in Listed Buildings within the Peak District.

We would like to see more consultation with renewable energy suppliers and PDNP to develop acceptable technologies

Question 22: Carbon capture and storage

- (a) Yes
- (b) Carbon Capture, whilst expensive, is perhaps the only realistic method of dealing with CO2 emissions from industries that would find it difficult or impossible to eliminate emissions. The technology could be particularly important for decarbonising some heavy industry such as cement production, for which there are currently few obvious alternatives. The UK has favourable geology to store CO2 in the North Sea, as well as a workforce with many of the necessary skills from oil and gas industry but this would be dealt with as Nationally Significant Infrastructure

6. Recreation and tourism

Question 23: Proposed Local Plan spatial objectives for recreation and tourism

- (a) Yes
- (b) We agree that the National Park should be open for all to enjoy but perhaps with more emphasis on sustainability, respect for both the environment and the residents and mitigation measures for the impacts.

Question 24: Recreation attractions and hubs

- (a) Yes - but with reservations
- (b) Agree that Recreation Hubs should have specific planning policies but also believe that more encouragement to smaller sites should be given to disperse tourism away from the “honey pot” sites. It was very clear during the recent pandemic that large numbers populate and overwhelm the major attractions.
- (c) Not familiar with all the sites in Appendix 3 but some of the sites (popular with visitors, blue) have very little in the way of facilities other than car parking, eg Dunford Bridge and Torside.

Question 25: Temporary camp sites

- (a) Yes
- (b) Knowledge on this issue is somewhat sketchy but suggest that the previous 28 days PD

be reinstated

(c) All

(d) Potentially unfair competition with existing sites and a constant presence of sites in popular areas

Question 26: Touring camping and caravan sites

(a) Yes

(b) Yes

(c) Impact on the environment during winter months and owner preference

Question 27: Static caravans, lodges and other permanent structures

(a) Yes

(b) Where impact is negligible, close to existing farmstead and restricted to one or two units

(c) Structures should be traditional in nature to the area

(d) To retain the character of the PDNP

7. Housing

Question 28: Proposed Local Plan spatial objectives for housing

(a) Yes

(b) We incline towards the lower figures quoted for each spatial area, given that this figure will still reverse the population decline and restore a more balanced population, in terms of age and economic status.

Question 29: Holiday homes and permanent homes

(a) Option 2

(b) Recognising that, in the 2021 Census, 11.6% of dwellings are 'unoccupied as a primary residence', a change of policy is needed. It is agreed that there has been a very recent steep increase in the number of short-term lets fuelled by on-line platforms. Urgent action is needed.

At a recent meeting with the PDNPA Chief executive, the residents of Holme expressed the view that Air B&B lettings in the village had gone far enough. It is recognised that regulation of on-line platforms is notoriously difficult but too many such short-term, holiday lettings damage the viability and sustainability of villages and hamlets.

This is, of course, a balancing act. It has been recognised for some time that the Holme Valley is short of accommodation for visitors. On-line holiday letting platforms appear to have taken over from the provision of hotel rooms and more formal B&Bs.

Option 2 is preferred to Option 3, as having different rules in different areas of the PDNP would be invidious and more complicated to enforce.

Question 30: Affordable housing - eligibility

(a) Yes

(b) Yes

(c) Yes

(d) Failure to widen the eligibility criteria to include workers within the PDNP will inhibit the achievement of balanced and sustainable communities, without which the national park will become a museum. There must be housing for, eg teachers, nurses, care workers. in the

PNDP. This provision will reduce car travel by commuting workers.

Question 31: Affordable housing – local connection

- (a) Retain
- (b) Retain
- (c) No
- (d) Yes – provided that the exception is tightly drawn
- (e) A local connection needs to be meaningful, with a long personal or family connection. Five years is insufficient to demonstrate this, so the ten year qualification should remain. A tightly drawn employment qualification will contribute to the health of the local economy and the existence of sustainable communities.

Question 32: Affordable housing – house size

- (a) Yes
- (b) Yes
- (c) Size restrictions are more likely to keep housing affordable, in the longer run. It is also an efficient use of green field land.

8. Shops, services and community facilities

Question 33: Proposed spatial objectives for shops, services and community facilities

- (a) To ensure villages and settlements remain self-sufficient and be places in which people can live, planning policies now need to give some reversal to the withdrawal of the state and the centralisation and ‘rationalisation’ of service provision. This may involve changes to funding and a move toward prevention rather than treatment. For example encouraging more people to work locally will provide more economic activity, the use of local shops and suppliers and use of community services. This will reduce the need to travel to work, reduce stress and increase general wellbeing, putting less demand on the health services and environment. Therefore action to encourage local business growth, protect community services and facilities and to help local shops address competition from online retailers is supported.

Question 34: The retention of shops, services community facilities and businesses

- (a) Yes
- (b) The answer above also addresses this question. It should be noted that to keep local facilities, community groups may need help to set up and fund legal bodies to take over ownership and operation of community services and facilities. This may include funding for feasibility studies and to cover start up costs.

11. Farming

Question 38: Conversion of whole farmsteads to new uses

- (a) and (b) Yes – in part and in principle
- (c) However, the demand for business use is changing. Our landscape historically has been influenced by industrial use, as well as farming, for example mills, dye factories and quarries. There will be modern uses which demand large amounts of low cost space, for example warehousing and distribution and the push towards home based working could morph into local demand for office or workshop space. Will the new policy enable such changes to take place without losing valuable existing buildings?

Question 39: Primary business

- (a) Yes
- (b) No response
- (c) No response
- (d) In addition to the comments above, we think it is important to support the farming community and impede the purchase of land for selfish gain which is not connected with using, managing and protecting the landscape. We recognise that human intervention has shaped the landscape as we know and experience it and values change over time.

However, human actions have caused a lot of damage to the environment and will continue to do so. If the Planning Authority is serious about its commitment to addressing climate change, this must be interwoven into all policies and actions. Decisions affecting the environment should be made by those who are committed and funded to protect and enhance it. If a stand alone business is allowed to develop buildings and land once used for agriculture, it must be bound by these parameters and principles.

12. Travel and transport

Question 40: Proposed spatial objectives for travel and transport

- (a) Yes
- (b) The proposals address the challenges, in the context of rapidly increasing travel flows.

Question 41: Visitor parking

- (a) Option 1
- (b) The current policy allows more flexibility to confer local benefit

Question 42: Safeguarding and protecting multi-user trails on former railway lines

- (a) Option 1
- (b) The possibility of re-opening the rail lines, in some form, should be protected, as the future is hard to predict. The engineering work required to make a railway line is so much greater than that required to restore or replace a walking/riding/wheeling route.

Question 43: Road building schemes

- (a) No
- (b) The primary aim is to reduce road traffic. Traffic congestion provides some benefits, eg slowing down traffic flows and eventually, reducing usage of a particular route, as drivers find faster alternatives. This, of course, just pushes traffic outside the national park.

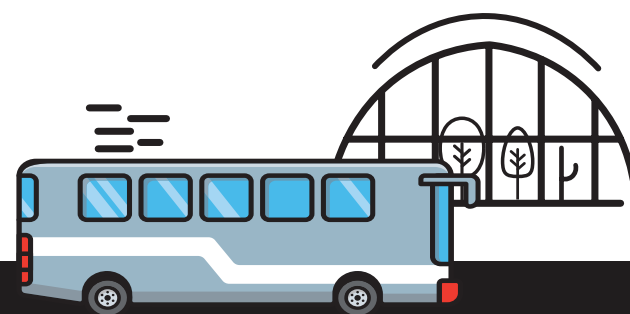
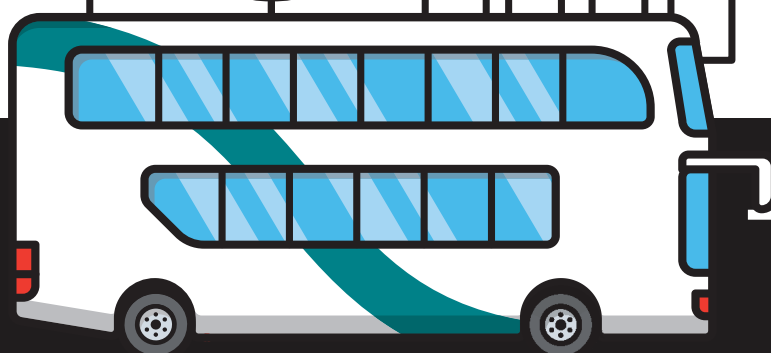
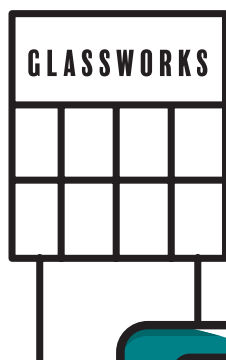
Question 44: Overnight parking for camper-vans

- (a) No
- (b) Car parks are not camp sites. This policy change would encourage irresponsible behaviour by camper-van owners.

Question 45: Air transport

- (a) Option 2 – provided that there are strict controls
- (b) Yes
- (c) Stopping commercial drones in the Natural Zone will improve public enjoyment of the area and protect wild life, including ground-nesting birds.

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SYMCA Bus Franchising Consultation FAQs

Take part at southyorkshire-ca.gov.uk/bus-reform

The deadline for responses is 11.59pm on 15 January 2025.

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What is SYMCA consulting on?

SYMCA is consulting on proposals to introduce Bus Franchising in South Yorkshire – that means consulting on taking back control of buses so the main decisions about buses are taken by the public sector

What is the deadline for responding?

11.59pm, 15 January 2025 – it's a 12-week consultation.

Why is SYMCA doing this?

People in South Yorkshire have told us that they are dissatisfied with the reliability of buses - over 60% of respondents to a survey said they were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with the reliability of bus services in South Yorkshire, with around 1 in 5 buses arriving late.

There are currently 23 bus companies operating in the region and over 100 types of tickets available, which can be confusing for passengers.

In recent years there have been significant cuts to the bus network. In 2007 the bus network in South Yorkshire operated 43 million miles but this has now more than halved.

Also, SYMCA has to subsidise some routes private operators won't run but are vital for local communities such as evening and weekend services at a cost of up to £24m.

What is Bus Franchising?

Bus Franchising means SYMCA would take control of how buses are run in South Yorkshire; owning the depots and the bus fleet. That means the buses will be back under public control.

This will give SYMCA powers to decide:

- what routes buses take
- what times they run
- the quality of the service
- how many ticket options are available
- what the fares will cost
- how to improve the reliability of the bus network
- how buses, trams and trains can connect with each other

As a public body, SYMCA can reinvest any profit back into improving the system for the public.

Equally, SYMCA would be responsible for any revenue shortfall should costs exceed the fares revenue.

Private operators will bid for contracts to run bus services and will be held to account for running a good quality, punctual and reliable service.

I have concerns about my bus service – route, timetable, fares, etc. Does the consultation ask about these issues?

The consultation is very specific about asking the public if they support or do not support the proposal for Bus Franchising. It is not about the public's experience of current services.

However, you are welcome to raise your views about these matters in your response to the consultation which will give us additional insight into the current service.

Why does SYMCA need to consult?

The government has set up a process Combined Authorities must go through to franchise buses and a 12-week statutory consultation is required. It is important that we hear what the public and those who are affected by bus services think about our proposals.

What happens when the consultation closes?

All responses will be analysed and a report compiled summarising opinions against each question.

SYMCA has to produce a report responding to the report.

Both reports go to the Mayor to inform the decision he will make in March 2025.

The reports will be published on the SYMCA website.

When will a decision be made on whether or not to go ahead with Bus Franchising?

March 2025.

If a decision is made to have Bus Franchising, when will the first franchised buses be on our streets?

We expect the first franchised bus services to begin operating in late 2027.

What would it cost SYMCA to introduce the Proposed Franchising Scheme?

In South Yorkshire, changing to Franchising would require an initial, one-off investment by SYMCA of £20.8m over four years (transition cost). This would cover things like consultancy, mobilisation. Other transition costs such as IT for that four-year period would be an additional £5m.

Additional costs include £57.9m for depot investment and £350m over a 15-year period for bus fleet investment

How will Franchising be funded?

Beyond the initial costs to introduce franchising, funding sources for the ongoing delivery of the Proposed Franchising Scheme include:

- Farebox revenue – the money collected from fare paying passengers
- Government funding
- Bus Services Operator Grant – a government grant paid to operators of eligible bus services and community transport organisations to help them recover some of their fuel costs

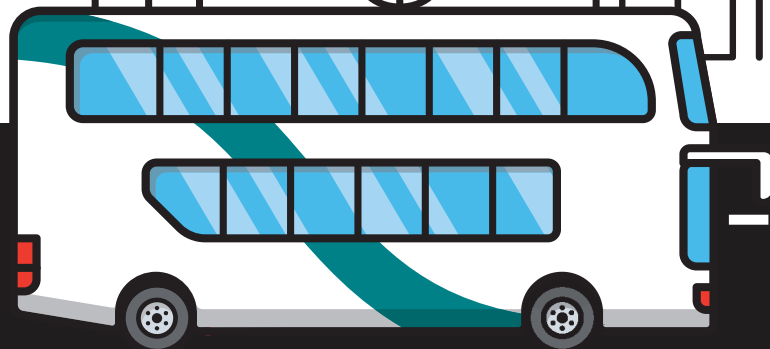
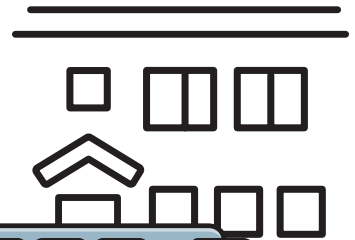
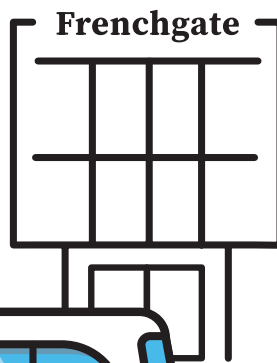
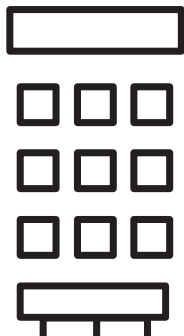
More information about funding and finance relating to Franchising can be found in the consultation document.

How will my feedback be used and when will we find out the results?

Your responses will be independently assessed as part of the consultation process. All responses will be considered when making any decision on whether to introduce the Proposed Franchising Scheme. This decision is currently expected in March 2025.

What will the personal information I provide be used for?

All personal information (such as age, postcode, gender) you provide will be anonymised and only used for analysis of the key findings and trends in this consultation at a aggregate level. When we look at the feedback, we separate it by things like age and gender which helps us to understand how ideas may affect different groups of people. This helps us to develop our ideas. You can read our Privacy Notice on the SYMCA website.



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Dear Jen

Many thanks for your response to the Saddleworth Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan survey which you responded to in June.

We have been carrying out a review of the Neighbourhood Plan, with a view to incorporating as much of the feedback as possible from the hundreds of responses which we received, and have recently completed the new draft plan, which will be being submitted for an updated HRA and SEA, prior to being presented to an inspector, and going forward to referendum.

Thank you very much for your constructive responses, and if there are opportunities to work together in the future to improve our area, we look forward to a positive and constructive relationship

Best regards,

Councillor Sam Al-Hamdani
Strategic planning committee,
Saddleworth Parish Council

Kind Regards

Karen Allott
Clerk to the Council
Saddleworth Parish Council

Holmfirth Centre Steering Group

Wednesday 11th September 2024 at Holmfirth Library

Present:

Cllr Moses Crook (Chair)

Adrian Barraclough (River Holme Connections)

Deb Mitchell (Holmfirth Business Together)

Margaret Dale (Holmfirth Forward & Holme Valley Vision)

Isabel Whitworth (Town Centres Team KMC)

Julie McDowell (Democracy & Place Based Working KMC)

Apologies: Cllr Jane Rylah and Andy Wilson (Holme Valley Parish Council)

1. Notes from last meeting – 16th April 2024

Design options

Adrian updated that he and Paul Coleman from River Holme Connections had met with Xanthe Quayle Landscape Architects. There was disappointment that the initial design option for phase one does not include more of the river plans extending to Victoria Bridge. Isabel has asked Xanthe Quayle to bring elements of the river project into phase one via what was the small town's project fund.

Adrian suggested that while the diggers are currently on-site doing work on the river wall there is an opportunity to realign the steps that go down to the river with the platform so the steps go somewhere. Adrian would be happy to support any conversations to enable this.

The Planning Committee, when making the decision, agreed it is important the steps be extended to enable future access to the river and volunteers would be able to get down to do work. The Environment Agency won't allow access to the river from Towngate. A potential access point is from the Picturedrome (at one time Planning permission was in place).

There have been a lot of consultations by River Holme Connections with feedback that both visual and physical access to the river is a higher priority than physical improvements to the Towngate car park.

Sands Rec

Moses updated the bowling club path work will be done as soon as the bowling season is over in early October. The path will link with the improved Sands path. The broad vision is to extend the network of footpaths on that side of the valley. Currently there are no plans to enhance the crossing on Bridge Lane.

2. Role and remit of group

The role, remit and membership of the group was noted. There is a ward councillor vacancy (by election in October), correct name of 'Holmfirth Business Together' and Margaret is representing Holmfirth Forward as well as Holme Valley Vision.

A key role is to share messages and updates from this group with local organisations and the community.

3. Town Centre access scheme update

Moses informed that delivery of the scheme is going well in line with the timescale. The road closure permit times are windows for the work rather than the actual times the roads are closed.

The contractor CR Reynolds liaison officer Matt Jukes is working well to communicate with local businesses on the delivery of the contract. Matt is communicating with local business owner Isabel Healey who is passing on messages to local businesses. Businesses are asked to contact ward councillors direct with any requests for changes and ward councillors will liaise with Adam Jones in Kirklees Highways.

Feedback received by ward councillors is disruption is minimal and people are reassured. Deb indicated that there have been no issues raised in the business group. Moses has spoken with the businesses closest to the work and they recognise they are experiencing negativity but it will be of benefit in the long term. Any businesses who are struggling can seek help. New visitors are still coming into Holmfirth and business takings are not affected.

The up-to- date plans for the Access Scheme are on the Holmfirth blueprint web page: [Holmfirth | Kirklees Council](#)

Isabel will check the inclusion of the Planning condition for the work on the river steps with Adam Jones Highways. Isabel will share the detailed designs with Adrian.

Margaret asked that the detailed design for the new market space, where the stalls and bins will be positioned, be shared with Holmfirth Forward. There is space for 8 bins. Isabel will ask Adam Jones Highways.

Moses indicated that of the 13 existing bins, there is agreement 2 will go on private land. There will be a conversation with these businesses as they would need a permit in future, and permission is unlikely. It was noted that a different approach to managing bins is required and there is likely to be a future council project on it.

Margaret indicated Steve Davy is doing the Planning application for the market and will need to understand the layout detail. The licence for the market is based on running a market 2 days a week. There will be more than the existing 6 stalls at Crown Bottom and potentially the car park may have to close when the market is on.

Re the planned movement study Isabel is speaking to the Traffic Management Team about the approach. Some elements of it will need to be brought forward as part of the Towngate scheme if a wider study is not possible at present. December 2025 is the expected completion of the study.

4. Holmfirth Blueprint update

Isabel updated that all comments have been fed back on the initial design options presented by Xanthe Quayle Landscape Architects.

We are now moving to stage 2, the design team will turn options into more detailed concepts. There are a lot of things that need to be understood about the make up of the land and what is deliverable within funding packages. Kirklees officers are holding a contract meeting with Xanthe Quayle on 13th September to kickstart the process.

Next steps will be to re-engage early key local stakeholders and do a fuller and wider consultation in Autumn. The aspiration is to get phases 2 and 3 through Planning. The initial phases should be designed in a way that does not inhibit further development. The plan is to spend the £1.5m on the 2027-28 programme, post completion of the access scheme in December 2025. Further funding will be sought for the aspirational elements.

Both Towngate and the Victoria Street section will be in the phase one development work. The feedback was that the Victoria Street section should be delivered earlier.

Margaret raised the public perception is it is 'Towngate car park project'. A change of name to make it clear this phase includes creating more public space by the river and Victoria Bridge would help and signpost to the phase 2 priority to open up access to the river. The group agreed that phase one should be renamed.

5. Updates

The group shared updates as follows:

Playable spaces improvements

Moses updated Improvements are almost complete at both Sands Rec and Victoria Park.

Holmfirth branding campaign

Deb reported the campaign has been well received by local businesses. The launch event did not go ahead as it was the start of the school holidays. The shift is now to sustain the campaign and Holmfirth Forward has agreed to pick up this remit. Businesses are being encouraged to use the branding for example on social media and social media training will be organised.

The group agreed that the Business group has done a great job on the branding campaign.

The hoardings for the market space will be up next week, on 16-18 fences (mix of Holmfirth and Kirklees branding).

Hilary and Matt Gledhill are continuing to work on a food trail, drink trail and merchandising (mugs, tea towels etc) to fund ongoing promotion. Matt has refreshed the branding for the market using the same colour scheme and themes.

Holmfirth Forward is updating the map on the website with a directory of local businesses.

The premises vacancy rate is currently below 6%. The feel of the town centre is very different and positive over the last 2 years with a number of new businesses.

The old council building is closed down, it will be disposed by Kirklees Council and is likely to go to open auction in 2025. Only the exterior windows of the building can be used for promotional activity.

Isabel updated that Kirklees Corporate Communications are putting together an off- shoot page to the Holmfirth Blueprint website. From October there will be regular factual updates/ bulletins on the access scheme works, blueprint etc.

It was agreed that as local community champions all members of this group have a role in cascading and sharing these messages.

Community market

Margaret reported that the market is very busy and at full capacity of 6 stalls. There are regular enquiries about stall hire. The stalls capacity in the new location will be 20-30 and it will be different with themed markets. While Holmfirth Forward has a licence to run a market in Holmfirth it is likely others could run them too for example hold pop up events in the new space. Coopers Yard is planning an event and there will be a Christmas market at Norridge Bottom.

Landscape recovery work

Adrian reported that River Holme Connections is leading on national landscape recovery work for the river from Holme Moss to Huddersfield centre. The work has been in planning for 18 months and will be in place from late January 2025. There is interest from 27 landowners including Kirklees in wildlife creation such as ponds, hedges and weir changes. The aim is to improve water quality and bio- diversity.

In Homfirth there is interest in Riverside Way, Digley to Huddersfield and designs & plans are in place. Potentially there is central government or crowdfunding sources. As part of Peak District accessible destinations Craig Grimes Community Experience has scoped out 5 routes with disability access.

River Home Connections is looking to be a finder facility for carbon offset by businesses and to be a formal delivery partner for new funding for catchments that will replace the previous funding to sheep farmers.

The formal business case will be submitted to Defra in October and a decision will be made by January. There will be engagement locally.

River Holme Connections is liaising with John Atkinson and Kat Armitage in Environmental Strategy & Climate Change in the council.

Isabel will put Adrian in touch with Chris Duffill head of business and skills in the council re the potential to tap into the rural UKSPF funding which has business aims around jobs and improving local economies.

EPIKS

Moses informed that, with the help of ward funding to develop the bid, EPIKS has secured £47k from WYCA for an active travel hub for the Holme Valley. They are leasing the Gartside Building at Holmfirth Bus Station as the hub premises. It will open with a launch event on 14-15th September.

6. Date of next meeting

It was agreed to meet on Tuesday 12th November at 5.30 pm in Holmfirth Library. (Apologies from Adrian who will send a substitute). To meet every 8 weeks in future.



**Holme Valley Parish Council
Planning Standing Committee**

**Working Group on the Kirklees Council Local Plan Review
Notes of the meeting on 14 November '24**

Present: Mary Blacka (Convenor), Margaret Dale, Jane Rylah, Andy Wilson

Apologies: Jo Liles, Steve Ransby, Sarah Whitelaw

1. Welcome

All were welcomed to the meeting, particularly new members, Jane and Margaret.

2. Expanded membership

It had been agreed that, as the coverage of the Local Plan is very much wider than the remit of the Planning Committee, other councillors should be invited to join the Working Group. Jo Liles, Jane Rylah and Sarah Whitelaw had agreed to join the Group, which had previously agreed that Margaret should be invited to attend the meeting.

3. Notes of the last meeting, 2 September '24 + any matters arising

The notes were accepted. It was reported that, because of a mis-understanding, the – rather limited - response to the consultation on the National Planning Policy Framework had not been submitted.

4. Response to the Peak District National Park Local Plan Review: issues and options consultation

This task was assigned to the Group at the Planning Committee meeting on 11 November '24. The consultation closes on 29 November '24, ie before the next Planning Committee meeting on 11 December '24. Responses by email, rather than on-line, are acceptable. PDNPA has indicated that all responses were welcome, even if they did not cover all aspects of the consultation.

The relevant sections of the consultation were assigned to members of the Group, as follows:

- 3. Landscape, biodiversity and nature recovery (**Mary**)
- 4. Cultural heritage and the built environment (**Margaret**)
- 5. Climate change and sustainable building (**Andy**)
- 6. Recreation and tourism (**Andy**)
- 7. Housing (**Mary**)
- 8. Shops, services and community facilities (**Margaret**)
- 11. Farming (**Margaret**)
- 12. Travel and transport (**Mary**)

Mary will collate the responses. **Margaret** and **Andy** will send their comments to Mary by 21 November '24. In addition, **Margaret** will contact Jimmy Dickinson to see if he wishes to comment on the consultation and **Mary** will contact Steve Davie.

5. Getting up to speed on the Kirklees Local Plan and its Review

In summary:

- The Local Plan, adopted in February 2019 includes several documents
- The Kirklees Development Plan includes the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan
- A formal review of whether the Local Plan as still fit for purpose was due by February 2024. In November 2023 the Kirklees Council cabinet accepted the recommendation from senior Council

officer, David Shepherd that the Plan was in need of updating.

- The existing key deadlines are:
 - September '25: Draft Local Plan produced for consultation, to November '25
 - September '26: Revised Plan consultation, to November '26
 - March '27: submission of Local Plan to the Secretary of State
- Deadlines may shift, depending on decisions by central government

The *Kirklees Council Local Development Scheme*, published in March '24, provides a very useful summary. **Mary** will circulate a copy to all Working Group members, with the meeting notes.

There is currently a Call for Sites, which has been open for some time. In addition to housing, sites can be identified for several other purposes, eg Community use, Employment, Nature recovery and biodiversity, New community green space. There was a brief discussion on how / whether to engage with this.

6. Local Plan Review partnership + 7. Discussion on how to proceed

Margaret gave an outline of the process by which the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) was produced, which has lessons for the current task.

It was agreed:

- The task of the partnership would be to work out, in advance of the publication of the draft Local Plan, what is needed in the Holme Valley. This means that we will be ready to submit an agreed response when the consultation period opens in September '25.
- That, as the only body with a democratic mandate, HVPC should take a lead in the partnership
- Representation should be as inclusive as possible, though we will need people in the partnership who are willing to put in substantial amount of detailed work.
- The NDP is a useful source document and starting point.
- We should aim to have a draft document ready by the end of the Council year, ie by May '25, on which we will need to consult.

Issues still to be resolved:

- The name of the partnership
- How the partnership will fit into the HVPC structure, given that the whole committee structure is under review
- Funding for consultation

The following organisations/individuals will be invited to join the partnership, at a meeting on Tuesday 24 January '25. at 7-00pm: EcoHolmes, Holme Valley Community Action Partnership (HVCAP), Holme Valley Vision, Holmfirth Business Together, Holmfirth Civic Society, Holmfirth Conservation Group, Holmfirth Pride, Honley Business Association, Honley Community Civic Trust, Longley Farm (Manager), River Holme Connections, Kirklees Councillors from Holme Valley North + Holme Valley South.

Mary to draft a briefing document to be circulated to all Working Group members.

8. Any Other business

There was no more business

9. Date of next meetings

- Wednesday 18 December, at 7-00pm: Working Group on the Kirklees Council Local Plan Review
- Tuesday 14 January '25, at 7-00pm: full partnership meeting

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Kirklees Local Plan Update

Shaping a new Local Plan Early Engagement

**Information about the early engagement on the Local Plan
and why it is being updated**

November 2024

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Kirklees Local Plan Update

We are undertaking early engagement as part of the Kirklees Local Plan update.

This document sets out the following information:

- The purpose of a Local Plan.
- Why the Kirklees Local Plan is being updated.
- The context for developing a new Local Plan and some of the key issues it has to include.

We would like you to get involved in shaping the Local Plan by sharing your views on the key challenges and opportunities for Kirklees and how the Local Plan can help to address these. You can do this by completing our Kirklees Local Plan Early Engagement Survey <https://online1.snapsurveys.com/localplan>. It is aimed at involving everyone with an interest in the planning of Kirklees to get involved in shaping the Local Plan content at the earliest opportunity.

We hope that this document will provide the context for the survey by providing additional information. The closing date for comments on the survey is 28th February 2025.

This is the first stage of early engagement, and a second stage is planned for April/May 2025 where we will feedback on what you said, and outline our Local Plan vision, strategy and objectives and the scale and distribution of growth for jobs and homes.

The purpose of the Local Plan

The purpose of a Local Plan is to set out:

- A vision and strategic objectives for development within Kirklees (particularly for new housing and employment).
- How and where different levels of development will be located (site allocations).
- A suite of planning policies to guide decisions on planning applications.
- Designations showing land to be protected/safeguarded (such as local green spaces, priority employment areas).
- Infrastructure provision to support the delivery of development such as a new school, road improvements, open space provision.
- A monitoring framework to review the plan's success.

The Kirklees Local Plan will set the planning policy framework for the district, guiding future growth and change over the period 2024-2043.

Why are we preparing an update of the Kirklees Local Plan

Kirklees has an existing Local Plan which was adopted in February 2019, but it is a legal requirement to review a Local Plan within 5 years from the date of adoption. For Kirklees, this process was required to be completed by February 2024. The Local Plan was reviewed over Summer 2023 and the outcomes of the review are set out in the Cabinet report 17th October 2023.

A summary of the reasons for updating the Kirklees Local Plan include:

- ✓ To ensure that our Local Plan is up to date as it forms the main tool for assessing planning applications.
- ✓ To develop more ambitious climate change policies to support the council's Climate Change Action Plan ambition of being net zero and climate ready by 2038.
- ✓ To deliver a vision for Kirklees up to 2043.
- ✓ To set out how and where development will be located together with associated infrastructure. **We must set out a strategy to deliver housing and employment requirements** to provide for the needs of our residents and businesses. This includes identifying a five-year supply of specific deliverable housing sites to meet the district's housing needs and land for employment to create job opportunities.
- ✓ To produce locally distinctive planning policies which support sustainable communities and places.
- ✓ **The plan must be in keeping with national planning policy.** This is set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

The government consulted on proposed planning reforms and changes to national planning policy from July – September 2024. The final outcomes are expected December 2024. More information on planning reforms can be found on the government's website.

- Introduction of a new, mandatory standard method for calculating local housing requirements.
- Take a brownfield first approach to the development of land and then release low quality grey belt land. This does not mean brownfield only; we will need to consider different locations for providing new homes.
- Changes to allow councils to prioritise the types of affordable homes their communities need on all housing development and that the planning system supports a more diverse housebuilding sector.
- Support economic growth in key sectors, aligned with the government's industrial strategy and future local growth plans, including laboratories, gigafactories, datacentres, digital economies and freight and logistics.
- Deliver community needs to support society and the creation of healthy places; and
- Support clean energy and the environment, including support for onshore wind and renewables.

Why are we preparing an update of the Kirklees Local Plan

The Kirklees Council Plan 2024-2025 sets out a vision for Kirklees:

“For Kirklees to be a district which combines a strong, sustainable economy with a great quality of life – leading to thriving communities, growing businesses, high prosperity and low inequality where people enjoy better health throughout their lives”.

The Kirklees Council Plan is supported by four key partnership strategies:



Kirklees Health and Wellbeing Strategy sets out our priorities for improving health and wellbeing and what we will do as partners to achieve those improvements. Through the strategy, partners are prioritising good mental wellbeing, connected care and support, and healthy places.

Inclusive Communities Framework

The Inclusive Communities Framework (ICF) is a partnership commitment to work better with communities on local issues. Through the ICF, partners are committing to take action showing our belief that communities have solutions to problems, promoting a good sense of belonging in communities, and caring about what communities care about.

Inclusive Economy Strategy

The Inclusive Economy Strategy will outline how the council and key partners across the district are working to build a more inclusive and sustainable economy.

Environment Strategy

The Environment Strategy: Everyday Life sets out our borough's commitment and ambitious vision for greater action on environmental issues, whilst also addressing the ecological and climate emergencies.

This early engagement will build on the partnership working and consultation that has already informed our Partnership strategies. Your views will help us consider:

- How our wider ambitions to support health and wellbeing can be linked to how we plan development to support and create healthy places.
- How our wider ambitions to have a resilient, sustainable and inclusive economy can be linked to how we plan development.
- How we can ensure that the Local Plan effectively delivers housing that meets needs of different groups in our communities.
- How we can ensure that the Local Plan supports a flourishing and sustainable Kirklees where consideration of the natural environment fosters healthy, happy and better-connected communities.
- How the district can grow sustainably to address climate and ecological emergencies and address the need for additional development, whilst protecting and enhancing the things we value in Kirklees.

The Local Plan must be justified and effective

For us to prepare locally specific policies to consider planning decisions in Kirklees, we must have up to date and robust evidence to support our planning policies.

To do this, we have been working across the council and with partners to identify issues and evidence to support them. We have also commissioned evidence on the following:

- Strategic Housing Market Assessment (including 10,000 household surveys, stakeholder survey and data collection to inform future housing needs).
- Travellers Needs Assessment.
- Employment Land Study to update evidence on employment needs, including the number of jobs and the land requirement.
- Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment/Habitats Regulations Assessment. This is a statutory requirement and looks at the impact of the Local Plan when assessed against environmental, social, economic and ecological criteria.
- Retail Capacity and Leisure Study.
- Waste Needs Assessment.
- Minerals Evidence Base, including supply/demand assessments.
- Strategic Flood Risk Assessment.

- Consideration of infrastructure to support the spatial strategy including transport modelling, viability evidence.
- Green Belt Parcel Analysis – this will form an update to the previous Green Belt Review work.
- Open Space Study.
- Air Quality Assessment.
- Playing Pitch Strategy.
- Landscape character and sensitivities.

How do we identify land for development or protection?

Our evidence will help to identify what land we need, where and for what purposes. We also have an ongoing Call for Sites process to inform the development of the Kirklees Local Plan. This is an opportunity for residents, community groups, business operators, landowners and developers to suggest sites to be considered as part of the preparation of the updated Local Plan. We want to look at as many options as possible and choose the most suitable sites for where new development goes.

Types of sites we are looking to include:

- Housing (this includes sites for market led housing, 100% affordable housing, self-build and custom housing and sites that can accommodate specialist accommodation for a group of people with specific needs, such as older person's housing and student housing).
- Gypsy and traveller sites.
- Travelling show people sites.
- Employment (offices, research and development, industrial processes, general industry and storage and distribution).
- Commercial uses (including, retail, leisure, hotel, and mixed commercial uses).
- Mixed use (for example a mix of housing and employment uses).
- Safeguarded land (land to be safeguarded for potential future development).
- Community uses.
- Minerals for example, extraction or processing.
- Waste for example recycling or processing.
- New public green space.
- Renewable energy and energy storage.
- Nature recovery and biodiversity net gain.

You can find more information on this process and how to submit a site at: [Call for sites | Kirklees Council](#) Please note that sites for development must have a willing landowner.

We are especially interested to hear about potential opportunities for the development, re-use or redevelopment of land, sites and buildings within towns and villages or on previously developed land /brownfield land.

Shaping the Local Plan vision

At the heart of National Planning Policy is a requirement to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development. This includes providing land for new homes and employment and supporting infrastructure. To do this, plan makers must consider three overarching objectives:

a) an economic objective – to help build a strong, responsive and competitive economy, by ensuring that sufficient land of the right type is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth, innovation and improved productivity.

b) a social objective – to support strong, vibrant and healthy communities, by ensuring that a sufficient number and range of homes can be provided to meet current and future needs; and by fostering well-designed, beautiful and safe places, with accessible services and open spaces that support health, social and cultural well-being; and

c) an environmental objective – to protect and enhance our natural, built and historic environment, including making effective use of land, improving biodiversity, using natural resources prudently, minimising waste and pollution, and mitigating and adapting to climate change, including moving to a low carbon economy.

At a local level, the council has started a number of conversations about place (this could be your street, neighbourhood or town) using a tool called the “[Place Standard](#)”. The Place Standard approach asks a series of questions based around 14 key themes. A full list of the Places that have participated and results can be found at: [Our places – How good is our place?](#) We will use these results as part of our Local Plan evidence.

When we plan for new housing and jobs, we need to think about economic, social and environmental outcomes in a way that takes account of Kirklees local circumstances including its character, local needs and builds on the strengths and opportunities of the district. We are seeking your views on the priorities for Kirklees and what you see as special to your area. This information will help us to shape a vision which is locally distinctive to Kirklees.

Delivering a sufficient supply of housing and the delivery of affordable and well-designed homes and places

The Local Plan is required to assess local housing need when preparing a plan and identify sites in their local plan that can deliver at least five years’ worth of housing. The government is committed to the delivery of 1.5 million new homes. As part of the proposed new planning reforms, the government is proposing a new standard method for assessing housing need

which would be mandatory. If this is introduced into national planning policy, this would increase our annual housing requirement from 1,730 to 2,043 dwellings per annum.

The challenge for us is how to deliver the required number of new homes, and plan for jobs in a sustainable way whilst ensuring that we protect and enhance the qualities which contribute to the character of our districts and places.

Making sure that the homes we provide meet local housing needs is very important. We are undertaking a Strategic Housing Market Assessment to help us with this task. This will look at key things impacting on the housing market, including the cost of renting and buying, affordability and the patterns of people looking to move. It will also consider the current housing available across Kirklees – its size, type, condition, and whether it's available to rent or buy. Information will be collected by surveying a large sample of households across Kirklees to find out more about their local housing needs and issues, talking to a range of stakeholders involved in housing and data collection.

Design

National planning policy requires developments to be visually attractive, sympathetic to local character and history, and establish a strong sense of place. Planning policies are also required to ensure sites are optimised to accommodate an appropriate amount and mix of development and create places that are safe, inclusive and accessible. We are interested in what you consider is a well-designed building or development.

Infrastructure

The purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development, including the provision of homes, commercial development, and supporting infrastructure in a sustainable manner. Infrastructure may include contributions towards new educational facilities, improved opportunities for walking and cycling, road improvements, new open space provision etc.

Building a Strong, Competitive Economy

The government is proposing national planning reforms aimed at ensuring the planning system meets the needs of a modern and changing economy. They wish to make it easier to build laboratories, gigafactories, data centres and digital infrastructure, and the facilities needed to support the wider supply chain.

The role of the Local Plan is to identify suitable sites (of the right size in the right location), for local and inward investment to match the strategy and to meet anticipated needs over the plan period.

The Local Plan should recognise and address the specific locational requirements of different sectors, including data-driven, creative or high technology industries, the storage and distribution sectors, supply chains, transport innovation and decarbonisation and additional

commercial sites should be considered positively when they are of local, regional or national importance, to further support economic growth and resilience.

Understanding our own employment requirements is essential to inform a new Local Plan.

The council is currently developing its Inclusive Economy Strategy which will form one of the four partnership strategies supporting the Council Plan. The new strategy will focus on aspirations to have a resilient, sustainable and inclusive economy.

We know that Kirklees is already home to many global leaders in manufacturing and textiles, it has a thriving university and a wealth of small and medium enterprises providing business and employment opportunities in our area.

We are seeing investment in the area through the Trans Pennine Route Upgrade, Penistone Line, the new Health Innovation Campus and the Station to Stadium Enterprise Corridor in Huddersfield, the Dewsbury Long Term Plan and investment in town and local centres through the council's town centre programmes.

Areas of existing employment land (Priority Employment Areas) are safeguarded for continued employment use and expansion.

The need to raise skill levels in the area is seen as opportunity to support higher paid jobs and bring new employment to the area.

To support the Inclusive Economy Strategy and to underpin the Local Plan update, an Employment Land Study is being produced to provide an understanding of the key strengths, weaknesses and growth opportunities in Kirklees, assess current employment land take up and assess future employment need.

Delivering community needs and promoting healthy and safe communities

Delivering community needs

National planning policy requires Local Plans to provide for the social, recreational and cultural facilities and services the community needs looking at the provision of services and guarding against the unnecessary loss of valued facilities and services.

Healthy Places

Planning policies should also aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places and buildings which promote social interaction, are safe and accessible, and enable and support healthy

lifestyles, especially where this would address identified local health and well-being needs. For example through the provision of safe and accessible green infrastructure, sports facilities, local shops, access to healthier food, allotments and layouts that encourage walking and cycling.

Our current Local Plan contains a range of policies to achieve these aims. However, to further increase the health impacts of planning policies, we are considering whether health can form a golden thread throughout the plan and in all policy considerations.

Promoting walking, cycling and access to public transport

The government requires the Local Plan to promote sustainable transport. This means focussing significant new development in areas which are or can be made sustainable, through limiting the need to travel and offering a genuine choice of transport modes. This can help to reduce emissions and improve air quality and public health. It also means looking at opportunities to promote walking, cycling and public transport. It does not preclude measures to support car use, and the Local Plan should identify where transport infrastructure is required to accommodate the scale of growth.

The government's planning reforms are considering a vision-led approach to transport planning where joint working is undertaken with the council, residents, and developers to set a vision for how we want places to be and designing the transport and behavioural interventions to help achieve this vision. This could support sustainable travel as well as promoting healthy lifestyles through walking and cycling. The council's emerging Transport Strategy will help shape the focus for transport priorities for the district.

The reforms consider that relying solely on advances in vehicle technology and increased uptake of electric vehicles will not be enough to address our climate change ambitions and that we need to make positive and sustainable changes to our travel choices, while understanding that different people and businesses have different needs and requirements.

Supporting climate change, green energy and the protection of the natural and historic environment

The council has committed to reducing carbon emissions to ensure residents have a good quality of life and that wildlife can thrive. Future policies on tackling climate change could require developments to be carbon neutral, comply with energy efficient standards and contribute to mitigating and adapting to climate change.

The council's Climate Change Action Plan identifies actions across a range of topic areas including buildings and transport that potentially could inform new Local Plan policies. One of the reasons for updating the current Local Plan was to strive for more ambitious climate change focussed policies.

The government's planning reforms set out a framework to support clean energy and the environment. This framework includes:

- Support for renewable deployment – proposals to direct decision makers to give significant weight to the benefits associated with renewable and low carbon energy generation, and proposals contribution to meeting a net zero future.
- A stronger expectation that authorities proactively identify sites for renewable and low carbon development, when producing plans, where it is likely that in allocating a site, it would help secure development.
- That renewables will need to be considered alongside other policy requirements and environmental designations.
- The availability of agricultural land for food production – food security and safeguarding the best and most versatile agricultural land (grades 1 – 3a) is considered an important consideration.

Further information:

For further information please contact: local.development@kirklees.gov.uk



Kirklees Local Plan Update - Shaping a Local Plan for Kirklees

What is the Local Plan?

The Purpose of a Local Plan is to set out:

A vision and strategic objectives for development within Kirklees (particularly for new housing and employment).

How and where different levels of development will be located (site allocations).

A suite of planning policies to guide decisions on planning applications.

Designations showing land to be protected/safeguarded (such as local green spaces, priority employment areas).

Infrastructure provision to support the delivery of development.

A monitoring framework to review the plan's success.

We are asking for your views on the preparation of a new Local Plan for Kirklees.

Why are we doing this?

This early engagement aims to understand what you think the key challenges and opportunities are for Kirklees. We are seeking the views of residents, businesses and stakeholders from the beginning of the plan making process.

This is the first stage of early engagement, with a second stage planned for April/May 2025 where we will feedback on what you said, and outline our Local Plan vision, strategy and objectives and the scale and distribution of growth for jobs and homes.

What will we do with the results?

Your thoughts at this early stage will be invaluable to us in shaping the Local Plan. Over the following pages, this booklet sets out a series of questions about issues we would like you to think about. We also want to hear about the issues you think we haven't considered but are important to you in planning the future of Kirklees.

This survey will take around 15 minutes to complete and will close on 28 February 2025.

Do you...

	Yes	No
Live in Kirklees	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Work in Kirklees	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Study in Kirklees	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Please tell us the first part of the postcode where you live leaving no spaces e.g WF12 (this will be 3 or 4 characters) You cannot be identified from this information.

Section 1 - Shaping the Local vision

At the heart of National Planning Policy is a requirement to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development.

This includes providing land for new homes and employment and supporting infrastructure. To do this, plan makers must consider three overarching objectives:

a) an economic objective – to help build a strong, responsive and competitive economy, by ensuring that sufficient land of the right type is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth, innovation and improved productivity.

b) a social objective – to support strong, vibrant and healthy communities, by ensuring that a sufficient number and range of homes can be provided to meet current and future needs; and by fostering well-designed, and safe places, with accessible services and open spaces that support health, social and cultural well-being.

c) an environmental objective – to protect and enhance our natural, built and historic environment, including making effective use of land, improving biodiversity, using natural resources prudently, minimising waste and pollution, and mitigating and adapting to climate change, including moving to a low carbon economy.

When we plan for new housing and jobs, we need to think about economic, social and environmental outcomes in a way that takes account of Kirklees local circumstances including its character, local needs and builds on the strengths and opportunities of the district.

The following questions in this section are seeking your views on the priorities for Kirklees and what you see as special to your area.

This information will help us to shape a vision which is locally distinctive to Kirklees.

Please select what you think should be the top 5 priorities

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building a strong, resilient and sustainable economy and job creation through the provision of land and skills development. | <input type="checkbox"/> Water management and flood protection. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Delivering a sufficient supply and mix of homes which are affordable and designed to a high quality. | <input type="checkbox"/> Conserving and enhancing the natural and historic environment. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regeneration and revitalising town centres. | <input type="checkbox"/> Provision for waste management. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Promoting healthy, safe and strong inclusive communities. | <input type="checkbox"/> Managing minerals extraction and safeguarding areas. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Promoting walking, cycling and public transport opportunities over the use of the private car. | <input type="checkbox"/> Provision for more leisure, recreation opportunities. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting broadband and working from home. | Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protecting open space for recreation, sport and amenity value. | <input type="checkbox"/> - please specify |
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Please use this space to tell us a bit about your reasons for your chosen priorities



We want you to think about not just the present but what is best for the future of Kirklees – the Local Plan will look ahead 20-30 years providing a long term plan for development.

What do you think is special about your local area?

What do you think are the main opportunities we face in planning for our area over the next 20-30 years?

What do you think are the main challenges we face in planning for our area over the next 20-30 years?

Section 2 - Delivering a sufficient supply of housing and the delivery of affordable and well-designed homes and places.

Housing

The Local Plan is required to assess local housing need when preparing a plan and identify sites in their local plan that can deliver required levels of housing. Making sure that the homes we provide meet local housing needs is very important.

The challenge for Kirklees is how to deliver the required number of new homes, and plan for jobs in a sustainable way whilst ensuring that we protect and enhance the qualities which contribute to the character of our districts and places.

We have recently commissioned a Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) which will analyse future housing needs across Kirklees. It will look at the need for different sizes and types of housing, including homes to buy and rent. It will also consider the housing needs of different community groups, such as older people and those with additional needs.

The current Local Plan sets out an annual housing requirement of 1,730 new homes per year, and we will be setting a new housing figure and housing needs policies in the updated Local Plan which will be informed by the SHMA. There is a need to do this as the Local Plan is more than five years old and the council cannot demonstrate a five-year housing land supply.

The requirement in the current Local Plan is that 20% of new homes should be affordable, and a mix (size and tenure) suitable for different household types should be provided in new housing developments. Affordable housing includes homes for sale or rent and is for people whose needs are not met by the private market. The proposed government focus is to provide more affordable homes, including social rented housing.

Where would you like to see new housing in Kirklees over the next 20-30 years? (please select your top 3)

- Increased opportunities for town centre living.
- Within or on the edge of existing towns.
- Within or on the edge of existing villages.
- Around public transport connections (e.g. railway stations, bus routes).
- Distributed proportionately across all town centres and villages.
- Creation of a new settlement.
- Other - Please specify

Please select what 3 types of homes are most needed in Kirklees.

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Rented housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Custom and self-build housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Single person housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Homes for homeless people |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homes for the elderly, including retirement housing, housing with care and care homes | <input type="checkbox"/> Town centre housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Village/rural housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing for people with disabilities | Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travellers' accommodation | <input type="checkbox"/> - please specify <input type="text"/> |

How important is it to increase the number and range of affordable homes to rent or buy? (5 being very important, 1 being not important at all)

- 5 - very important
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 - not important at all

Design

National planning policy requires planning policies and decisions to ensure that developments deliver well-designed buildings and places.

What design elements do you think the Local Plan should focus on to contribute to the development of well-designed buildings and places?

Please select what you think should be the top 5 priorities.

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing density levels – that provide appropriate amounts of housing on a site. | <input type="checkbox"/> Access to public transport |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Development that is sympathetic to local character, history and the landscape. | <input type="checkbox"/> Integration of green infrastructure and open space. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protection and creation of natural habitats and wildlife areas. | <input type="checkbox"/> Mix of uses that create safe, inclusive and welcoming environments. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building heights. | <input type="checkbox"/> Water storage and recycling facilities. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parking provision, including cycle parking. | <input type="checkbox"/> Internal floorspace standards in homes to meet lifestyle needs. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy-efficiency and green energy (e.g. solar panels, air source heat pumps, wind turbines, EV charging points). | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Safe walking and cycling connections which link to local facilities and services. | <input type="checkbox"/> - please specify |
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Infrastructure

The planning system seeks to achieve development that is sustainable including the provision of homes, commercial development, and supporting infrastructure.

Investment in our infrastructure can help our area become more sustainable through new education facilities, improved opportunities for walking and cycling, road improvements and new or improved open spaces.

How important is it to you that the Council seeks to ensure that new development and local communities are supported by effective and timely investment in supporting infrastructure? (5 being very important, 1 being not important at all).

- 5 - very important
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 - not important at all

Please use this box to tell us any other thoughts on housing, design or infrastructure.

Section 3 Building a Strong, Competitive Economy

The Local Plan seeks to identify sites of the right size in the right location for local and inward economic investment to meet anticipated needs over the plan period.

It should recognise and address the specific locational requirements of different sectors, including data-driven, creative or high technology industries, the storage and distribution sectors, supply chains, transport innovation and decarbonisation and additional commercial sites should be considered positively when they are of local, regional or national importance, to further support economic growth and resilience.

The council is currently developing its Inclusive Economy Strategy with a focus on aspirations to have a resilient, sustainable and inclusive economy.

We are seeing investment in the area through the TransPennine Route Upgrade, Penistone Line, the new Health Innovation Campus and the Station to Stadium Enterprise Corridor in Huddersfield, the Dewsbury Long Term Plan and investment in town and local centres through the council's town centre programme. This will build on our current strengths in manufacturing and textiles, our thriving university and well-established small and medium enterprises providing business and employment opportunities within the district.

How important is it to you that the Council seeks to develop a clear economic vision and strategy for Kirklees building on its core strengths and opportunities? (5 being very important, 1 being not important at all)

- 5 - very important
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 - not important at all

How important is it to you that the Council seeks to provide an appropriate amount of land to support job growth, the expansion of existing businesses and the growth of new businesses within the district? (5 being very important, 1 being not important at all)

- 5 - very important
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 - not important at all

What type of employment land, to support job growth, do you think the Local Plan should focus on. (Tick all that apply).

- Large sites, located close to transport networks, which are easy to get to, aimed at encouraging inward investment and supporting national policy objectives.
- A range of small and medium sites.
- Continued focus on protecting Priority Employment Areas - *Priority Employment Areas are existing areas of land or premises currently in employment use, which are safeguarded as such in the Local Plan, so as not to be lost to other non employment generating uses.*
- Town centre, office development.
- Support broadband to encourage more home working.
- Policies to support the rural economy and rural diversification.
- Smaller sites to allow the growth and expansion of existing businesses.
- Other - please specify

How important is it to you that the Council focuses on improving workforce skills to increase well-being and prosperity? (5 being very important, 1 being not important at all)

- 5 - very important
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 - not important at all

Section 4: Promoting healthy and safe communities

Planning policies should also aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places and buildings which: promote social interaction, are safe and accessible, and enable and support healthy lifestyles, especially where this would address identified local health and well-being needs – for example through the provision of safe and accessible green infrastructure, sports facilities, local shops, access to healthier food, allotments and layouts that encourage walking and cycling.

Our current Local Plan contains a range of policies aimed at achieving these aims but to increase the health impacts of planning policies, we are considering whether health can form a golden thread throughout the plan and in all policy considerations.

To what extent do you agree that achieving ‘healthy, safe and strong and inclusive communities’ should be an area of focus for the Local Plan? (5 strongly agree, 1 strongly disagree)

- 5 - strongly agree
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 - strongly disagree

How important is it to you that the Local Plan supports the provision of opportunities to grow food locally and enable healthier food choices? (5 being very important, 1 being not important at all)

- 5 - very important
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 - not important at all

Section 5: Promoting walking, cycling and access to public transport

The Government requires the Local Plan to promote sustainable transport. It seeks to focus significant new development in areas which are already or can be made sustainable, through limiting the need to travel and offering a genuine choice of transport modes including opportunities to promote walking, cycling and public transport. This can help to reduce emissions and improve air quality and public health.

The Government's planning reforms considers that relying solely on advances in vehicle technology and increased uptake of electric vehicles will not be enough to address our climate change ambitions and that we need to make positive and sustainable changes to our travel choices, while understanding that different people and businesses have different needs and requirements.

We believe the main transport challenges for Kirklees are as below.

How much do you agree or disagree that these are the key transport challenges?

	I strongly disagree	I disagree	I'm not sure	I agree	I strongly agree
Improving general air quality across Kirklees.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reducing vehicle emissions.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing accessibility and frequency of bus services.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing accessibility and frequency of rail services.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Identifying opportunities for more dedicated walking and/or cycling facilities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improving the connections between different modes of transport e.g. better connection of walking and cycling to buses and to rail.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Better connections between rural areas and town centres.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increased opportunities for safe routes to schools.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improving the quality/condition of the roads.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reducing road congestion.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increasing safety when travelling by all forms of transport.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



How much do you agree or disagree with the focus on promoting opportunities for walking, cycling and access to public transport?

- I strongly agree
- I agree
- I'm not sure
- I disagree
- I strongly disagree

How important is it to you that the Council seeks to deliver a net-zero carbon transport system by 2038?

- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Neither important nor not important
- Not Important at all

Section 6: Supporting climate change, green energy and the protection of the natural and historic environment

One of the reasons for updating the current Local Plan is to strive for more ambitious policies focussing on climate change. This would support the council in its commitment to reducing carbon emissions such that residents have a good quality of life and wildlife can thrive. Future policies on tackling climate change could require developments to be carbon neutral, comply with energy efficient standards and contribute to mitigating and adapting to climate change.

The council's Climate Change Action Plan identifies actions across a range of topic areas including buildings and transport that potentially could inform new local plan policies.

What do you think should be the Local Plan priorities in relation to climate change? Tick all that apply.

- Protection from flood risk/managing flood risk.
- Energy efficiency in new buildings both residential and non-residential.
- Sustainable building materials and design
- More green spaces and tree planting
- Renewable energy generation
- Energy storage infrastructure
- Specific policies to support Huddersfield District Heat Network
- Sustainable transport
- Safeguarding agricultural land for food production
- Other - please specify



Kirklees Council aims to be carbon neutral by 2038. To achieve this, we need to use less non-renewable energy and generate much more renewable energy than we do at present. One way of meeting our targets is to consider wind turbines in those parts of the district where they'll be most efficient and effective.

How do you feel about the potential of more wind turbines being used in the district?

- I feel very happy about this
- I feel okay
- I don't know
- I'm not happy about this
- I feel very unhappy

Please tell us about why you feel this way

How important is it to you that the Council seeks to reduce carbon emissions from existing buildings through retrofitting and require net zero carbon with high standards of energy and sustainability in all new developments? (5 being very important, 1 being not important at all)

- 5 - very important
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 - not important at all

Section 7 – About you

We want to make sure as many people as possible have a chance to give us feedback. We are collecting some monitoring information. This helps us to find out if there are any people or groups we are not hearing from. We can then work to find more ways to reach out to them.

As per our [Privacy Notice](#), the information you provide will be kept confidential. It will only be used by our departments and services within the Council. If you don't want to answer a question, you can skip it or choose "Prefer not to say".

How old are you...

- Under 18
- 18-25
- 26-35
- 36-45
- 46-55
- 56-65
- Over 65
- Prefer not to say

Are you...

- Non Binary/Intersex/Gender Fluid/Agender
- Female
- Male
- Not specified
- Prefer not to say

Is your gender the same as the sex you were registered at birth?

- Yes
- No
- Other
- Prefer not to say

What is your sexuality?

- Asexual
- Bisexual
- Heterosexual
- Homosexual
- Other
- Prefer not to say

What is your ethnic group?

- Asian or Asian British** Includes any Asian background, for example, Bangladeshi, Chinese, Indian, Pakistani
- Black, African, Black British or Caribbean** Includes any Black background
- Mixed or multiple ethnic groups** Includes any mixed background
- White British**
- White Other**
- Another ethnic group** Includes any other ethnic background, for example, Arab

Prefer not to say

What is your religion?

Buddhist

Christian (including Church of England, Catholic, Protestant and all other Christian denominations)

Hindu

Jewish

Muslim

Sikh

No religion

Any other religion

Prefer not to say

Would you describe yourself as disabled?

Yes

No

Prefer not to say

Do you have any physical or mental health conditions or illness lasting or expected to last 12 months or more?

Yes

No

Prefer not to say