

**Selby District Council
Local Plan Consultation**

"PLAN Selby"
(The Sites and Policies Local Plan)

Initial Consultation Comments Form

"PLAN Selby" is the Sites and Policies Local Plan which the Council is developing to deliver the strategic vision outlined in the Core Strategy that was adopted in 2013. When adopted, PLAN Selby will form part of the Local Plan for the District against which planning applications will be assessed.

This consultation is the first stage in our on-going dialogue with you and we hope that you will take time to respond to it and help us move forward. The responses to this consultation will help inform our work and shape the District for the future.

Comments are therefore invited as part of this Initial Consultation.

Please use this form to make your comments.

Please read the main document PLAN Selby and associated papers, which are available on the Council's website at www.selby.gov.uk/PLANSelby and at local libraries and Public Council offices.

You will need to see what is in PLAN Selby in order to make your comments. It contains a wide range of issues and specific questions on which we would like your views. Please make sure you are clear about which part of PLAN Selby you are commenting on and ensure we have your full contact details so we can take your comments into account and so that we can contact you about the next stages.

**Completed comments forms must be received by the Council
no later than 5pm on Monday 19th January 2015**

Contact Details - Please provide contact details and agent details, if appointed

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Comment(s)

Please ensure you provide reference to the Question and Topic area for each comment you wish to make.

Topic / Chapter	T5 - Climate Change and Renewable Energy	
Question no.	26	Paragraph

a) We support the approach taken within the Adopted Core Strategy Local Plan to setting achievable renewable energy targets for the district which can contribute to the UK 2020 target. As stated within the Core Strategy policy SP16 targets must not be considered as a ceiling and appropriate developments which would exceed this targets should be determined positively (as defined by policy 97 of the NPPF) and with the support of policies like SP16, any future policies contained within the Sites and Policies document and supporting Supplementary Planning Documents. We would also add that developers are not required to demonstrate a need for renewable energy, National policy and Ministerial Statements in relation to energy reaffirm the importance that appropriately sited renewable energy developments can have on providing a valuable contribution to cutting greenhouse gas emissions, mitigating climate change and improving energy security.

b) & c) No comment

d) Areas which are viable for renewable technology should be considered and defined as broad areas with regard to allocation for the appropriate technologies.

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e) We consider that the EIA assessment process presents the most appropriate basis for assessment in respect of large scale renewable energy schemes. This should be undertaken along with existing planning policies and applications should be determined on a case by case basis. The creation of arbitrary thresholds for wind farm or other renewable energy would need to take into account all individual circumstance of the Site and also the size / type of the proposal. As demonstrated by the Inspectors view of the proposed Wiltshire Council Policy on separation distances; where he stated:

'Other than when dealing with set back distances for safety, distance of itself does not necessarily determine whether the impact of a proposal is unacceptable'

f) Should more detailed management policies for climate change and renewable / low carbon requirements be considered appropriate, we would expect that these policies are worded positively to accord with the NPPF requirements. We would be willing to engage further on this matter should it be seen as appropriate.

g) No comment

h) With regard to stand alone renewable energy broad areas should be identified to accommodate the various available technologies; an appropriate evidence base should be used to inform these areas. Each allocation should consider how any local circumstance / constraints can be addressed positively by the development.

We would also encourage the Council to consider the incorporation of policy which positively addresses renewable energy schemes which offer Community Shared Ownership, as per the Department for Energy and Climate Change taskforce paper on the matter.

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Additional Comments - Please provide any additional comments you may wish to make.

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Comment Submission Statement

All comments must be made in an email or in writing if they are to be considered. Your comments and some personal identifying details will be published in a public register and cannot be treated confidentially. Where practical, personal identifiers may be redacted, however Selby District Council cannot guarantee that all identifiers will be removed prior to publication of consultation records.

Signed Energiekontor UK Ltd Dated 14.01.15

Please ensure you save a copy of your completed comments form to your computer before sending by email

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Email: **Idf@selby.gov.uk**

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