



**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

Personal Details Retired Engineer

Name: Brian Keen

It will be helpful if you can provide an email address so we can contact you electronically

Comment(s)

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

Topic / Chapter: **Housing**

Question no.:55

Paragraph: General

Comment: My concerns are based on **fairness**, Riccall is classed as a Designated Service Village and I have concerns as to how many properties are being considered to be built in the village and

certain aspects should be taken into consideration. We have three allocated sites in the early planning stage earmarked for development which could give us in the region of 200+ new dwellings. I would like you to look at the settlement historically over the past 30/50 years - since the 60's Riccall has had approx 20 estates built and Escrick 4, you need to take into account fairness. Old guidelines need to be looked at - Planners will say that Escrick is surrounded by green belt, yes this is true but it needs looking at again. The green belt was as I understand to protect the City of York, they themselves have already built on much of the green belt so why shouldn't Escrick!! I have serious concerns the impact this will have on Traffic, Schools and Health Services. Already our doctors surgery is not adequate for the need now, with additional properties it will have a major impact. provisions for a new Health Centre/surgery needs to be considered. The primary school has already expanded on numerous occasions, without taking away valuable recreation space from the children the school will not cope. So let's say that Riccall is allocated approx 500 properties I would seriously hope you will consider the three developments that are already at the planning stage as to the total we are allocated. Even though the smaller surrounding villages are not to receive new properties this is wrong as they need part development to compete with larger villages for grants etc and new services. There is ample space to put a few properties in places like Stillingfleet and Kelfield and by addressing the green belt issue you could provide many more in at Escrick. Even though I accept new properties need to be provided, we need this to be looked at the locations carefully and fair. We need all villages to keep their identity, not like Barlby which is only separated from Selby by the river.

Topic / Chapter: Travellers Site

Question no.:12

Paragraph: General

Comment: This subject was looked at approx 5 years ago, when we was trying to find a suitable location for a site. Riccall had sites suggested by Selby DC that could have been considered but neither Selby DC or the Travelling Community found the village acceptable, as they want easy access to major roads, so I see no reason as why the village should be considered now

Topic / Chapter: Environment

Question no.: 26

Paragraph: General

Comment: Selby District should not be considering wind farms or large solar farms to ruin what is a nice area to live, this will only have an effect on the Landscape and wildlife. We have two very good sites in Eggborough and Drax and the Council and Government should be making these sites more viable and put investments into the sites. We have the Eco- Technology already lets expand on it. Wind farms very seldom benefit the local community only the firms that install them are financially rewarded. They are an eye sore - if it is too windy they can't operate if it is a still day then they use energy from the grid to keep them running. Yes pylons are an eyesore but they have served us well for many years and in many area's the power supply is being put underground. The climate in this country is unpredictable so our energy should be obtained by utilising site like Drax and Eggbrough or start looking underground for energy, there is still tons of coal that could be mined.

Topic / Chapter: Business/Industry

Question no.: 15 -19

Paragraph:

Comment: We have many businesses and retail sites in Selby and surrounding areas, more should be done to encourage businesses to the towns and if appropriate surrounding villages. Riccall has a business park (old mine site) it is out of the village and not suitable for easy access. More should be done to support these sites. bring more shops to Selby not Charity shops and estate agents. The high rents and rates are not attracting businesses to the area

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

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.

Name - or signature: Brian Keen

Date: 15th Jan 2015

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

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Email: ldf@selby.gov.uk

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