



**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

Name: Burn Parish Council

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: Traveller sites. Chapter 3

Question no.: 13 and 14

Paragraph: 3.54

Comment:

Burn Parish Council feels that SDC's identification of 5 possible traveller sites is a step in the right direction providing that the following criteria are adopted:

- a) These sites should be identified in consultation with the gypsy/traveller community that is already settled within existing sites in the district and also members of the parishes that accommodate these sites.
- b) Privately owned and temporary sites should be investigated for suitability
- c) Site locations should be evenly spread across the wider district in order to create a robust case for unauthorised sites.
- d) One site or parish must not be expected to accommodate the district's burden.
- e) No site should be bigger than 10-12 pitches, using the current model in the district, because smaller sites are easier to manage and maintain. Other complex selection criteria suggested by SDC should be dropped in favour of National Guidelines.
- f) Previously developed land within the green belt should also be considered, as these locations are near transport links and it would prevent land from becoming derelict, unused and wasted.

Topic / Chapter: Setting land aside or protecting it for future infrastructure needs. Chapter 3

Question no.: 21

Paragraph: 3.97

Comment:

Burn Parish Council has concerns over the impact of development on the existing transport infrastructure especially the A19 corridor from Brayton to the M62 roundabout at Whitley Bridge. Any development likely to increase traffic should have a wider travel/transport assessment carried out and completed to ensure that the existing road capacity does not minimise the potential of any development or have an adverse impact on villages along the A19. If a development is deemed to be of economic value to the district there should be strategic improvement to the road network in order to support sustainable growth.

Topic / Chapter: Green Belt and village development limits. Chapter 3

Question no.: 26b and c

Paragraph: 3.112

Comment:

Burn is designated as a secondary village and, as such, would not expect to be involved in the Green Belt review process. The parish council is of the opinion that the village development limits should remain unchanged. Although dissected by the A19 Burn remains a rural village with part of the Pennine trail crossing the airfield and used regularly by walkers. The parish council is of the opinion that Plan Selby should not include targets that differ from National Guidelines

Topic / Chapter: Climate change and renewable energy. Chapter 3.

Question no.: 26a; d; e; f; g and h

Paragraph: 3.112

Comment:

26a: Burn parish council can see no reason for using the minimum targets as defined in the now defunct RSS allocations. It notes that the AECOM report relates mainly to wind turbines and does not take into account other forms of renewable energy. This is not surprising because the study was prepared by the windfarm industry and was more concerned with exploiting Government subsidies rather than dealing with the visual problems caused to the countryside and the miniscule contribution to electricity generation. The targets are irrelevant and, as such, should be removed from Plan Selby.

26d: SDC should resist the temptation of installing wind turbines within the district.

26e: Separation – the height of a turbine should determine its separation. A distance of 10x the turbine height would be reasonable for a single turbine whilst the distance should be increased proportionally where there are two or more turbines.

26f: SDC should resist any incinerator type proposal on existing industrial land and also not sacrifice land close to settled communities that have a small voice. Policies on the cumulative impact of such proposals, along with light and air pollution, should be considered with reference to NHS policies on improving health and life expectancy.

26g & h: Plan Selby should avoid a plethora of detailed policies which, with rapidly changing technology, quickly become out of date and place more reliance on National Guidelines. Policies should implement the plan's vision rather than aiding development for development's sake.

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

Burn parish council would like to reiterate its desire to work with SDC in finding the right development for Burn airfield. This is an opportunity for SDC to develop a prosperous and sustainable future for the district, one that would bring high quality jobs to the area and, in turn, help in regenerating the town centre.

The duty of shaping development within the district should not rest with one person alone. The future of the district should evolve from town and village plans and design statements. A wider vision is required with an understanding of the longer term direction of the district. This is why, in the parish council's opinion, a development group should be formed.

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: *F M A Farman.* F M A Farman

Date: 16.01.2015

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

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Doncaster Road, Selby YO8 9FT**