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(By email)

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Dealt with by: John Hiles
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22 January 2014

Dear Mr Berkeley

Duty to Cooperate

Further to your request for formal confirmation that the Council has prepared its Local Plan Core Strategy in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate (section 110 of the Local Planning Regulations, 2012).

I attach a copy of correspondence from neighbouring local authorities and relevant designated bodies with direct strategic planning interests in the area which confirm that the Council has identified local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across shared boundaries and interests.

Yours sincerely

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Date : 25th October 2013
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Your Reference :
Our Reference : JH/CS/DTR

Dear John,

RICHMONDSHIRE LOCAL PLAN CORE STRATEGY EXAMINATION

Thank you for your recent e-mail regarding the above.

I can confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked with Darlington Borough Council in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries

Yours sincerely,



Valerie Adams
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Director of Place: Richard Alty



From: Mike Allum <Mike.Allum@durham.gov.uk>
Sent: 24 October 2013 14:14
To: Hiles, John
Subject: Duty to Cooperate

Dear John

I confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked with Durham County Council in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries.

Yours sincerely

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John Hiles
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Your Ref:
My Ref: Richmondshire Local Plan
Dealt with Mr RG Banks
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30 October 2013

Dear John

Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy – Duty to Cooperate

I refer to your Inspector's request to seek a formal confirmation from us that we have cooperated on local strategic issues.

I have read your Duty to Cooperate Statement submitted to the Inspector and concur with your assessment of strategic cross boundary issues in relation to Hambleton District. Our Councils former Shared Service and joint working on this plan making has ensured the fullest understanding of such matters and very close cooperation.

I confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked with Hambleton District Council in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries.

Yours sincerely



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From: Tracey Rathmell <Tracey.Rathmell@harrogate.gov.uk>
Sent: 11 December 2013 10:45
To: Usher, Matthew
Subject: FW: Duty to Cooperate

Importance: High

Matthew

Apologies for not replying earlier, unfortunately your earlier email got lost amidst preparing to submit our Sites and Policies DPD.

Richmondshire's Plan does not raise any strategic issues in respect of Harrogate. In drawing this conclusion I confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked with Harrogate Borough Council in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries

I trust you find this helpful. If you need anything further then please get back to me.

Regards

Tracey

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From: Carl Bunnage <Carl.Bunnage@northyorks.gov.uk>
Sent: 25 October 2013 16:08
To: Hiles, John
Subject: Richmondshire Local Plan 2012 -2028 : Duty to Cooperate

Dear John,

I understand that prior to Examination, the Planning Inspector examining the Richmondshire Local Plan 2012 - 2018 is considering the extent to which your Local Authority has met the requirements of the Duty to Cooperate.

I am happy to confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked extensively with North Yorkshire County Council in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries.

Our two authorities have a long tradition of close and collaborative working on strategic, cross-boundary, and infrastructure planning matters. More recently of course this has included through the County Council's coordination mechanisms to enhance the effectiveness of our joint working on infrastructure planning, coordination and delivery matters. To this end we have we have identified a County Infrastructure Champion for Richmondshire (working alongside the District Council's equivalent), and a County Project Coordinator and supporting project team focused principally upon the Catterick Garrison area. The County Council has been pleased with the commitment that the District Council has shown in positively working alongside us through these arrangements.

I am happy to provide any further confirmation that you may require as to the County Council's satisfaction with Richmondshire District Council's approach to joint working and the Duty to Cooperate.

Yours sincerely

Carl

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YORKSHIRE DALES
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John Hiles
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25th October 2013

Dear Sir,

Richmondshire Local Plan 2012 – 2028 Core Strategy
Cross boundary cooperation

Thank you for confirming the start of your public hearings into the Richmondshire Core strategy. I note that you require confirmation from this Authority of your involvement in cross boundary planning matters.

I can confirm that we have met on several formal occasions and numerous informal occasions to discuss our cross boundary issues. I believe that we have found these to be mutually beneficial although mostly minor in scale. We recognise and welcome the growth objectives of the Richmondshire Core Strategy which we believe will also bring benefits to the National Park in terms of support for the continued viability (and hopefully improvement) of local services.

In particular we support the housing plans for Leyburn which we recognise will offer benefits by extending the range and type of modern housing, some of which will inevitably be occupied by existing and emerging households from within the National Park boundary. We agree that the practical and conservation restrictions that exist inside the Park make the release of a full range of housing problematic and that a release of land in Leyburn will therefore be beneficial to the whole dale.

I am pleased to confirm that John Hiles and Richmondshire District Council have worked proactively with this Authority on cross boundary matters and have found solutions that are agreeable and beneficial to both Authorities. I am more than satisfied that Richmondshire has acted in accordance with the statutory Duty to Cooperate.

Yours sincerely,



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Our Ref: HD/P5339/02
Your Ref: JH/CS/DTR
Date: 28 October 2013

Dear Mr Hiles,

Richmondshire Local Plan – Core Strategy: Duty to Co-Operate

I refer to your e-mail dated 24th October, 2013 regarding the Duty to co-operate. As you are aware, English Heritage is listed as one of the “prescribed” bodies relating to the Duty to Co-operate on the planning of sustainable development. This requires those bodies listed as “prescribed”, together with local planning authorities, to co-operate with one another constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis in the preparation of development plans in relation to strategic matters.

In the case of the current Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy, we do not consider that there are any strategic matters as set out in S33A(4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act, 2004 which affect the historic environment. However, bearing in mind that the Duty to cooperate is an ongoing process, we would hope that, should any strategic matters arise which would affect the historic environment of the area, that English Heritage will be able to continue to work closely with the Council in the Policy framework for these areas.

If you have any queries about this matter raised above or would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Our ref: RA/2012/123000/CS-
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Date: 11 December 2013

Dear Ms Lundberg

Examination Statement - Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy

The purpose of this statement is to clarify the Environment Agency's position in relation to Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy (LPCS). Subsequent to our formal response to the Council's LPCS proposed Submission (August 2012) submitted on the 14 September 2012, further discussions have recently taken place with Richmondshire District Council resulting in the resolution of Water Framework Directive concern regarding the soundness of the document that we had raised in our formal response.

We can confirm that we have reached a position where we are satisfied that the soundness issue raised in representation reference 9112 has now been resolved. Further detail is given below.

Background

Throughout the various consultation stages associated with the preparation of the LPCS, we were concerned that the Strategy may not be found sound if Richmondshire District Council had not made clear how the Water Framework Directive (WFD) had been considered in drawing up policies for the Core Strategy. Without this clarification, we considered that the soundness of the Core Strategy in relation to its conformity with the National Planning Policy Framework could be called into question

Subsequently, the policy team at Richmondshire District Council and the Environment Agency have created a joint statement with agreed minor amendments relating to the consideration of WFD. Unfortunately the Proposed Core Strategy Modifications document dated November 2013 preceded the joint statement.

Nevertheless we can confirm that our concern relating to issue of soundness raised in 9112 of our submission consultation response dated 14 September 2012 is resolved.

Whilst we are satisfied that our comments can be dealt at the Examination as a written representation, we are also attending the hearing session on the

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morning of the 17 December to support Richmondshire District Council in the minor amendments.

Duty to Co-operate

The Environment Agency is identified under Regulation 4 of the Local Planning Regulations 2012 with regard to the Duty to Co-operate. This duty is detailed under Section 33A (1)(c) and requires local authorities and other bodies to work together to effectively address strategic issues.

We can confirm that we consider there are no outstanding strategic issues raised by the Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy document which necessitate attention under the duty to co-operate.

Yours sincerely

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Date: 10th December 2013
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Dear Mr Usher

Richmondshire Local Plan Duty to Cooperate

Thank you for consulting us on the above which was received by Natural England on 10 December 2013.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

I confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked with Natural England in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries.

If I can provide any further advice relating to this consultation, please do not hesitate to contact me. For all other correspondence, please contact the address above.

Yours sincerely

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Subject: Richmondshire Duty to Cooperate

John

In regards to the ongoing partnership working which we enjoy with Richmondshire District Council, I am please to confirm that in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and the we have both cooperated (and will continue to) to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries.

Richard and I are conscious that a formal position statement is required as an update for the Inspector in regards to Phase 2 of the Leeming to Barton upgrade scheme now being in place. We will be sending this shortly.

Regards in the interim.

Simon Jones, Asset Development Manager

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19 April 2012

Dear John

Re; Duty to Cooperate, Richmondshire Core Strategy

HCA and Richmondshire District Council are working together through combined resources and actions to address key local issues, such as increasing affordable housing supply and economic development, which inform the Richmondshire Local Plan: Core Strategy.

HCA and Richmondshire District Council maintain a regular dialogue on strategic priorities and issues at programmed quarterly review meetings. These meetings are used to update on Policy, Housing, Economic and Political changes which help shape how the HCA can best align its resources to meet the local needs in Richmondshire.

A prime example of recent cooperative working between the HCA and Richmondshire District Council was the Local Investment Planning exercise. This process fed into a wider North Yorkshire Investment Plan which resulted in a shared understanding of agreed priorities for action and investment. This work has enabled both private and public sector investment to come forward into the area which has brought about economic and housing growth, such as Richmond Park, Catterick and the Colburn Business Park, Catterick.

Summarised below is a list of the key programmes and initiatives where our combined 'cooperation' has helped deliver new projects and initiatives in Richmondshire, covering the period 2008 to present. Note this has been a longer term relationship between the two parties under different statutory bodies which pre dates 2008.

- General National Affordable Housing Programme 2008/11
- Affordable Housing Programme 2011/15
- Firstbuy Housing Initiative 2010/13
- Kickstart Housing Initiative
- Economic Investment, such as Colburn Business Park and the Richmond Train Station redevelopment

- Get Britain Building Housing Initiative
- Public Sector Land Auction Pilot (Enabling expertise)

Moving forward HCA is committed to working with Richmondshire District Council to help shape economic and housing benefits to tackle the growing need in the area which will be evidenced in the forthcoming Core Strategy.

I hope this is sufficient to satisfy our shared requirements under the 'Duty to Cooperate'. However, please do not hesitate to contact should you require more detail.

Yours Sincerely

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Sent: 25 November 2013 12:12
To: Hiles, John
Subject: 20131125_ MOD confirmation_Richmondshire Local Plan Duty to Cooperate

Dear John

I refer your e-mail below.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the development of the Richmondshire District Council Core Strategy. I confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked with MoD in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared interests.

I will respond separately with regards to the level of housing.

Yours sincerely

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To: Robson, Mark
Subject: Duty to co-operate

Mark

I confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked with the York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary, cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries.

Andrew Leeming



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Sent: 09 January 2014 10:46
To: Hiles, John
Subject: Richmondshire Local Plan

Hello John,

Following out recent communication and meeting I am happy to confirm that Richmondshire District Council has worked with Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby CCG in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate to identify local strategic issues and, where necessary , cooperated to ensure that local solutions are compatible across our shared boundaries. I look forward to working with you in the future.

Regards

Mark

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