

CRAVEN DISTRICT COUNCIL: CRAVEN LOCAL PLAN 2012-2032 EXAMINATION IN PUBLIC

RESPONSE TO INSPECTOR'S QUESTION NO. 1 IN SUPPORT OF PREVIOUS REPRESENTATIONS MADE BY THE NORTH YORKSHIRE BRANCH OF THE CAMPAIGN TO PROTECT RURAL ENGLAND ('CPRENorthYorkshire') (Ref: 009/17/H2/TS)

MATTER 3: AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEED (POLICY H2)

Issue 1: Definition of Affordable Housing

Question 1: Does the Plan include a definition of affordable housing? If not, in order to be effective should one be included?

The recently published National Planning Policy Framework (the 'NPPF' or the 'Framework') states that for the purposes of examining plans, policies in the previous Framework (2012) will apply where plans are submitted on or before 24 January 2019 (paragraph 214).

CPRENorthYorkshire have provided detailed responses to all of the Craven District Council's ('CDC') consultations on the emerging Craven Local Plan since 2013 and have welcomed the opportunity to do so.

The Council has included a brief definition of 'affordable housing' at paragraph 6.14 of the Submission Draft Local Plan (pg. 169). It is considered that it would be more helpful to the reader to provide a fuller definition of the term, perhaps similar to that used in the Glossary of the recently published NPPF. It is also considered that this should be at the start of the chapter and not mid-way through, to ensure it is effective for those reading the policies in the act of decision-making, for developer's and members of the public.