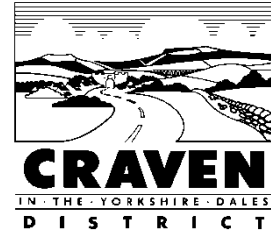


Policy Committee 7th December 2017



CRAVEN LOCAL PLAN – Statement of Consultation

Report of the Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration

Ward(s) affected: All outside the Yorkshire Dales National Park

1. **Purpose of Report** – To present the Statement of Consultation relating to the preparation of the draft Craven Local Plan.
2. **Recommendations** – Members are recommended to:
 - 2.1 Approve the Statement of Consultation as a proposed submission document to be made available alongside the Publication Draft Craven Local Plan for a statutory 6 week public consultation period from Tuesday 2nd January until Tuesday 13th February 2018 and submitted to the Secretary of State together with the submission Draft Craven Local Plan, by the end of March 2018.
 - 2.2 Give delegated authority to the Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration to make any necessary amendments to the Statement of Consultation prior to publication and submission of the Craven Local Plan and submission documents, including updating of the Statement of Consultation to provide information on the representations made during the period of public consultation on the soundness and legal compliance of the Publication Craven Local Plan, prior to formal submission.
3. **Report**
 - 3.1 The Council's Statement of Consultation explains how Craven District Council has undertaken consultation to produce the Publication Draft Craven Local Plan 2012-2032, which covers the area of Craven that falls outside the Yorkshire Dales National Park. It explains how on-going consultation and engagement has shaped the Local Plan and shows how the local plan has evolved throughout its formation, since 2012, based upon the responses received during periods of public engagement and consultation.
 - 3.2 The Statement of Consultation sets out, for each Local Plan consultation stage, who has been invited to make comments, the consultation methods used, a summary of the main issues raised during each consultation and how comments have been taken into account in formulating the subsequent drafts of the Craven Local Plan. The Statement of Consultation also provides a summary of consultations carried out with other stakeholders, groups and working partnerships, in relation to the preparation of the Local Plan evidence base.

- 3.3 This Statement of Consultation forms one of the proposed submission documents referred to in The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (The Regulations 2012) and has been prepared in order to meet the requirements of these regulations. Specifically regulation 22 (c) require that a statement of consultation, including the following information, be submitted alongside the development plan documents:
- which bodies and persons the local planning authority invited to make representations under Regulation 18;
 - how those bodies and persons were invited to make representations under Regulation 18
 - a summary of the main issues raised by any representations made pursuant to Regulation 18;
 - how any representations were made pursuant to Regulation 18 have been taken into account;
 - if representations were made pursuant to Regulation 20, the number of representations made and a summary of the main issues raised in those representations;
 - if no representations were made in Regulation 20, that no such representations were made;
- 3.4 In order to meet The Regulations 2012 the Statement of Consultation will be updated to provide information on the representations made during the period of public consultation on the soundness and legal compliance of the Publication Craven Local Plan in accordance with Regulation 22. This update will be prepared prior to submission of the Local Plan.
- 3.5 Members are therefore asked to approve the Statement of Consultation as a proposed submission document and to give delegated authority to the Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration to update the document following publication consultation and make any necessary amendments prior to formal submission of the Local Plan.
- 3.6 **Implications**
- 4.1 **Financial and Value for Money (vfm) Implications** – There are no financial implications arising directly from this report, as the Statement of Consultation has been prepared in house, by The Planning Policy Team.
- 4.2 **Legal Implications** – The preparation of the Local Plan is a statutory obligation under the provisions of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The Statement of Consultation forms a proposed submission document.
- 4.3 **Contribution to Corporate Priorities** – Preparation of the local plan is a statutory obligation under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and is the key mechanism for delivering development in the District to meet future community

needs and demands. Adoption of the Craven Local Plan will provide a spatial strategy, development policies and land allocations for housing and employment in the area which will directly or indirectly contribute to all the Council's priorities.

4.4 **Risk Management** – Preparation of the local plan is a statutory obligation under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and is the key mechanism for delivering development in the District to meet future community needs and demands. Significant delay in adoption of the plan may affect future New Homes Bonus payments. In addition the plan is a key corporate document that will be the spatial expression of numerous other corporate strategies, such as the Housing Strategy, Economic Strategy and Council Plan. Failure to deliver the plan will also result in these strategies not being fully realised.

4.5 **Equality Analysis** – No new policy or procedure is proposed in this report which would give rise to a requirement for an Equality Analysis.

5. **Consultations with Others** – Legal Services, Financial Services

Access to Information: Background Documents – None

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Note: Members are invited to contact the author in advance of the meeting with any detailed queries or questions.

8. **Appendices** -
Appendix 1 – Consultation Statement Nov 2017