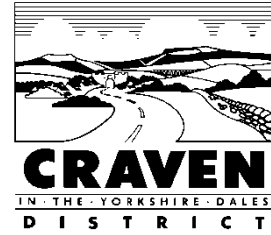


Spatial Planning Sub Committee 27th November 2017



CRAVEN LOCAL PLAN – Open Space, Playing Pitch and Sports Facility Annual Progress on Delivery 2017

Report of the Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration

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

1. **Purpose of Report** – To advise Members on the Open Space, Playing Pitch and Sports Facility Annual Progress Report on Delivery, 2017.
2. **Recommendations** – Members are recommended to:
 - 2.1 Note and accept the Open Space, Playing Pitch and Sports Facility Annual Progress Report on Delivery, 2017, into the evidence base for the Craven Local Plan. The 2017 progress report is presented at Appendix 1 to this report.

3. **Report**

Introduction and Context

- 3.1 Members will recall that at a meeting of Craven Spatial Planning Sub Committee held on the 2nd March 2016, the Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration submitted a report presenting the key findings of the Playing Pitch Strategy, Open Space and Built Facilities Assessments (2016) which will be used to determine what open space, sports and recreational provision is required within the plan area, and underpin the local plan policy approach to be developed for the provision of new facilities and the improvement / safeguarding of existing provision. During this meeting, members accepted the Playing Pitch Strategy, Open Space and Built Facilities Assessments (2016) as part of the evidence base for the Local Plan.
- 3.2 The work produced a set of specific site recommendations and policy recommendations that are set out in three action plans for the playing pitch strategy, open space assessment and the built facilities assessment. A total of 57 actions are included in these action plans along with a short, medium or long term timeframe. The action plans set out who is the lead organisation for implementing

the recommendations including site owners, sports clubs, developers, Parish/Town Council or District Council.

- 3.3 The Sport England guidance for both Playing Pitches and Sports Facilities clearly sets out that there should be an annual progress of delivery and a review of the evidence base every 3 years. The Open Space report states that the plan must be actively implemented and regularly reviewed with the “Progress to Date” and “Review Date” sections of the actions plans for the Council to self-monitor progress and record this. In order to meet this requirement and to ensure that this evidence base remains up to date, the Open Space, Playing Pitch and Sports Facility Annual Progress Report on Delivery; 2017 (set out at Appendix 1 to this report) has been prepared. This report was agreed with the Council’s Planning Gain Steering Group at a meeting held on the 16th October 2017. Members of this sub- committee are now asked to note and accept the Open Space, Playing Pitch and Sports Facility Annual Progress Report on Delivery, 2017, into the evidence base for the Craven Local Plan. The Council will ensure that an annual update of progress against the action plans is prepared in future years.

Implications

- 4.1 **Financial and Value for Money (vfm) Implications** – There are no financial implications arising directly from this report, as the costs of evidence based studies for progressing the Local Plan are accommodated within the Local Development Plan budget.
- 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 Playing Pitch Strategy, Open Space and Built Sports Facilities Assessments are key evidence base documents for the Local Plan and are required to enable the plan to proceed to examination.
- 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 – Playing Pitch, Open Space and Built Facilities Study Summary (2016), Playing Pitch Strategy (2016), Open Space Assessment (2016), Built Sports Facilities Strategy (2016). These assessments are available to view [here](#)

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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: Open Space, Playing Pitch and Sports Facility Annual Progress Report on Delivery, 2017