

Summary and Assessment of Devolution Asks

Fiscal	
LCR	YNYER
<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Powers to levy an additional infrastructure precept on Council Tax and will also be able to implement the supplementary 2p Business Rate because it will have a Metro Mayor. <p>Assessment</p> <p>This would be a means to generate additional funding for infrastructure from our tax base but money raised in Craven will not be ring fenced for Craven and although we will have a better opportunity to deliver major transport projects it is possible that when judged against other projects in LCR that we may not be a priority</p>	<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To retain the 50% 'central share' of any growth, which would otherwise be paid to Central Government for an initial pilot period of five years? <p>Assessment</p> <p>Due to the restructuring of local authority finances this ask could soon become redundant.</p>

Transport	
LCR	YNYER
<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress longer term schemes via the devolved and consolidated transport budget. • Grant responsibility for franchised bus services • Devolved ownership of local rail stations • Devolved powers, responsibility and maintenance budgets for a locally defined strategic highways network and the M62. <p>Assessment</p> <p>This is probably the best opportunity to deliver large scale transport infrastructure in Craven and also to influence those projects that influence us such as Leeds Station and the Hardings Road development in Keighley. To maximise the benefits we will need worked up schemes and that requires expertise and funding. We would need to be sure that our projects are not peripheral to the needs of the rest of the LCR and show that the problems of South Craven and Skipton have an effect on Keighley and north</p>	<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish the Strategic Transport Authority and Long term transport fund <p>Assessment</p> <p>Significant progress has been made to highlight the problems and opportunities of transport schemes in Craven, in particular the relationship with East Lancashire. The concept of improving East West routes. The key risk is that the devolved funding allocation may also not be sufficient to fund the schemes</p>

<p>Leeds.</p> <p>Control over franchised bus services would give greater control over bus services in rural areas and also deliver greater labour mobility across city region.</p> <p>There are opportunities that the devolved ownership of local rail stations, with associated budgets, could significantly raise the standard of rail stations. There would need to be a balance between local improvements and the resources that will need to be put into the remodelling of Leeds Station.</p> <p>The asks related to the strategic highways network and the M62 are unlikely to have any implications for Craven.</p>	
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Housing, regeneration and planning	
LCR	YNYER
<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Control of a new £500 million Housing and Regeneration Investment Fund, including a fiscally-neutral transferred £350m revolving loan facility • Powers to develop Enterprise Zones • Create a Public Assets Board • Development of the strategic infrastructure investment plan <p>Assessment</p> <p>The Investment Fund could present an opportunity to access funds to undertake large scale programme to unlock complicated brownfield sites.</p> <p>The LCR ask around Enterprise Zones is primarily about M62 priority sites in the first instance, however it does make reference to the possibility of potential area based EZ's in the future.</p> <p>The creation of a Public Assets Board is to support growth and regeneration although in Craven there are only limited government owned assets that could be transferred to the Board.</p> <p>There is the possibility that some control over our own strategic assets will need to be passed the Board as part of the deal. To play a full role in the working of the Board we will need to have access to capacity to keep pace with the Met councils.</p> <p>The LCR ask to develop strategic infrastructure investment plan is to provide a more detailed Investment Framework to attract future investment to key sites. Craven's development opportunities may be regarded as too small when compared with the rest of the LCR although the Horse Close site was successful in the past.</p>	<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Single Investment Fund provides an opportunity to access up to £21m "additional" funding • Powers to develop Enterprise Zones • Establish a Joint Asset Board <p>Assessment</p> <p>The £21m capital and revenue per year is a significant uplift on past available funding. We would need to be in the position of making credible bids as other authorities will be seeking this funding.</p> <p>The YNYER Enterprise Zones could be extended to support Craven's new employment sites although the sector approach is narrower than we have followed in the past with our employment sites.</p> <p>The YNYER ask around a Joint Asset Board will have few government owned assets that could be transferred to the Board and again there is the possibility that some control over our own strategic assets will need to be passed the Board as part of the deal. To play a full role in the working of the Board we will need to have access to capacity to keep pace with the other councils.</p> <p>The creation of a Spatial Plan, supported by a strategic infrastructure investment plan, which will almost certainly set the framework for the scale and distribution of housing and economic growth across the sub-region. It will be important to ensure that the governance is robust so that we benefit from the collaboration and shared resources but do not lose control over the future strategy for the District.</p> <p>It is also proposed to establish a Planning Delivery Group that will comprise of a 'virtual team' of planning and related specialists to seek to accelerate development.</p>

Growth/ investment	
LCR	YNYER
<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Devolved responsibilities for European Structural and Investment Funds. • Devolution of national business support budgets • Requesting a significant share of national investment on R&D facilities • Securing ring fenced UKTI resource on inward investment <p>Assessment</p> <p>Managing European Structural and Investment Funds gives greater devolved responsibilities at a local level, which should align resources and have a greater influence/control over spending.</p> <p>The LCR asks around business/sector support should allow a great deal of tailoring of support services for our businesses particularly around research and on SME commercial strengths in digital, health innovation</p>	<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Devolved budgets for Agri-tech strategy to accelerate innovation in food, agri-tech & bioeconomy. <p>Assessment</p> <p>This ask builds on key assets such as FERA Science Ltd, Saltend Chemicals Park, and Bio-Renewables Development Centre and so has little relationship to Craven.</p> <p>YNYER are now supporting the LCR ask for UKTI inward investment resources to be located at a city region level</p>

Education, skills and employment	
LCR	YNYER
<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single devolved funding pot linked to skills capital funding • Devolved budgets for employer led skills investment • Devolved DWP national programmes <p>Assessments</p> <p>The LCR Bid Ask for control of further education capital and revenue budget will require Craven College to work through the LCR although they are in advanced discussions with YNYER about capital funding.</p>	<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Devolve local commissioning model for post 19 provision. <p>Assessment</p> <p>It is hoped that this ask will allow greater alignment between business needs and skill provision.</p>

<p>Some additional funding may be made available to protect/maintain the current LCR skills offer, including apprenticeship hubs which Craven's businesses are now accessing.</p> <p>LCR asks around DWP programmes may have limited impact in Craven.</p>	
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Public Service Reform	
LCR	YNYER
<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor to adopt Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) powers. <p>Assessment</p> <p>The fact that our PCC is not coterminous with the Craven or the LCR this creates difficulty to implement a mayor that covers the current LCR geography.</p>	<p>Asks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Devolution of aspects of health agenda to allow coordination of primary and social care. <p>Assessment</p> <p>The Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG) for Craven are not coterminous with the local authority area and covers Bradford and South Lakes so this area will be complicated to deliver.</p>