

CRAVEN SPATIAL PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE (Online meeting)

Tuesday, 10th November 2020 at 6.30pm

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Sub-Committee Members: Councillors Brockbank, Myers, Pringle, Rose, Shuttleworth, Staveley and Sutcliffe

Substitute Members: Councillors Madeley, Mulligan and Solloway

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence** – To receive any apologies for absence
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes** – To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd September 2020.
- 3. Public Participation** – In the event that any questions/statements are received or members of the public attend, the public participation session will proceed for a period of up to fifteen minutes.
- 4. Declarations of Interest** – All Members are invited to declare at this point any interests they have in items appearing on this agenda, including the nature of those interests.

(Note: Declarations should be in the form of:
a “**disclosable pecuniary interest**” under Appendix A to the Council’s Code of Conduct, or “**other interests**” under Appendix B or under Paragraph 15 where a matter arises at the meeting which relates to a financial interest of a friend, relative or close associate.

A Member of Council who has a disclosable pecuniary interest must leave the room and not take part in the discussion or vote. When declaring interests under Appendix B or Paragraph 15 of the Code, Members must move to the public seating area, not vote, and speak only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting.)

- 5. Monitoring Discussion Paper No. 1 – Carbon Neutral Development** – Report of the Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration. Attached.

Purpose of Report - To present to Members of this Sub-Committee the first in a series of monitoring discussion papers (MDPs). This MDP relates specifically to the Climate Change Emergency Strategic Plan theme of carbon neutral development and is attached as an appendix.

- 6. Any other items** which the Chairman decides are urgent in accordance with Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972.

7. **Date of Next Meeting** – To be agreed.

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CRAVEN SPATIAL PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE

(Online)

22 September 2020

Present – The Chairman (Councillor Staveley) and Councillors, Brockbank, Myers, Pringle Shuttleworth, Rose.

Officers – Interim Legal Services Manager, Strategic Manager, Strategic Housing Manager, Planning Manager, Planning Officer (Planning Policy Team), Planning Officer and Democratic Services and Scrutiny Officer.

Start: 6.35pm

Finish: 8.23pm

Minutes – The minutes of the Sub-Committee's meeting held on 18th August 2020 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Public Participation – The Democratic Services and Scrutiny Officer submitted a representation on behalf of Kate Jennings in relation to Item 7: Report on the MHCLG White Paper: Planning for the Future (August 2020).

Minutes for Report

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CRAVEN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME UPDATE 2020

The Planning Officer presented a report which provided Members with the updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) 2020. A timetable for the preparation of the Local Plan was approved by Policy Committee on 7 December 2017 which set out the timetable for the production of the Craven Local Plan and a number of Supplementary Planning Documents. Members noted that subsequent to the adoption of the Craven Local Plan in November 2019, the timetable now required an update to reflect both current and future planning policy work.

Members noted that at a Policy Committee meeting on 23 June 2020 it was agreed to revise the terms of reference for Craven Spatial Planning Sub-Committee, which included, the consideration and approval by the Sub-Committee of updates to the Local Development Scheme as they are required and prepared. Members also noted that the revised terms of reference allowed the Sub-Committee to consider the achievement of a Net Zero Carbon Craven by 2030 and the role that the Craven Local Plan plays in achieving it.

Members were informed that a Local Planning Authority is required to prepare a Local Development Scheme (LDS). The LDS must specify the development plan documents which when prepared and adopted, comprise part of the statutory development plan for the area. The updated Craven LDS set out the documents that form the development plan for the area of Craven outside the Yorkshire Dales National Park together with details relating to the preparation of the following Craven Local Plan documents: Supplementary Planning Documents, Statement of Community Involvement, Neighbourhood Plans, Monitoring of the Adopted Craven Local Plan (2012-2032) including details relating to updating the local plan evidence base, Authority Monitoring Report and Duty to Co-operate. Members noted that since the adoption of the Craven Local Plan, the Council's Spatial Planning Team had worked closely with the Council's Development Management Team to ensure that the Policies of the adopted local plan were implemented as intended, including the delivery of the development principles identified within policies SP5-SP11 for housing, employment and mixed use site allocations.

Members were reminded that the government had recently published proposals for significant reform of the planning system in the White Paper: Planning for the Future (August 2020), which

included proposals relating to plan making and spatial planning, including, in terms of decision-making and public engagement, a shift in emphasis towards spatial planning and away from development management. Final plans for reform would be sent out in legislation and policy changes brought forward by the government following public consultation. The impact of the final reforms on the programme of spatial planning work could be reflected in subsequent updates to the LDS, once known.

Members raised several questions in relation to housing and employment land which included suggestions such as conducting a review of land owned by Craven District Council and the potential of releasing it for employment which were addressed by the Strategic Manager.

Resolved – That, the updated Local Development Scheme 2020 is approved for publication.

CSP.182

REPORT ON THE MHCLG CONSULTATION 'CHANGES TO THE CURRENT PLANNING SYSTEM' (AUGUST 2020)

The Planning Officer presented a report which sought Members approval of the officer comments as the basis for the Council's response to the Government's consultation on proposed changes to the current planning system. Members were informed that on 6 August 2020 the Government published two consultation documents on the planning system. One was the White Paper which proposed a fundamental and comprehensive reform of the planning system that required new legislation and regulations to be introduced. The changes, if approved, would take time to enact and become operational. The other Government consultation document proposed changes to national planning policy which could be introduced quicker through amendments to the National Planning Policy Framework, the Planning Practise Guidance and the publication of ministerial statements. Members noted that previously the Council had responded to similar consultations through officer comments only, but in this case, it was felt that Members would wish to discuss matters arising.

The Planning Officer provided an overview of the officer comments on the Government consultation document 'Changes to the current planning system'. The consultation set out proposals for measures which the Government stated would improve the effectiveness of the current planning system. Members noted the four main proposals which were changes to the standard method for assessing local housing need, securing of First Homes through developer contributions in the short term until the transition to a new system, supporting small and medium-sized builders by temporarily lifting the small sites threshold below which developers do not need to contribute to affordable housing and extending the current Permission in Principle to major development. For each of the proposals, the consultation document described the current situation as the Government saw it, the proposed approach or options for a new approach and asks for responses to detailed questions about its proposals. The Planning Officer briefly explained each officer comment on the summarised proposals. Members raised questions in relation to shared ownership and concern regarding the provision of housing which were addressed by the Strategic Housing Manager.

- Resolved** – (1) That, the officer comments are approved as the basis for Craven District Council's response to the Government's consultation on proposed changes to the current planning system.
- (2) That, delegated authority is granted to the Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration to use officer comments, as amended by the sub-committee's views, to respond to the consultation document, and forward to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government prior to the consultation deadline on 1 October 2020.
- (3) That, the officer comments presented to the Council's Policy Committee on 15 September 2020 and the input of this Committee will refine the Council's response to the Government's current consultation on proposed changes to the current planning system are noted.

CSP.183

**REPORT ON THE MHCLG WHITE PAPER: PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE
(AUGUST 2020)**

The Planning Officer presented a report which sought Members' approval of the officer comments as the basis for the Council's response to the Government's consultation on the White Paper: Planning for the Future. The White Paper: Planning for the Future was published on 6 August 2020 and proposed a fundamental reform of the planning system that required new legislation and regulations to be introduced. Members noted that Policy Committee would be asked to approve the officer comments as the basis for Craven District Council's response to the White Paper consultation. The Planning Officer summarised the White Paper proposals which included streamlining the planning process, a focus on design and sustainability and infrastructure delivery. For each of the proposed reforms, the White Paper described each proposal, set out alternative options for the proposals and asked for responses to questions in relation to each proposal. Members noted the officer comments regarding the White Paper consultation and thanked the Planning Officer for the succinct report. Members were concerned that the White Paper could detract from the local aspect of decision making in Planning.

- Resolved** – (1) That, the officer comments to be forwarded to the Policy Committee as the basis for the Council's response on the White Paper consultation, subject to paragraph 2.2. are noted.
- (2) That, the Council's proposed response on the White Paper consultation is presented to and settled by the Council's Policy Committee on 20 October 2020.

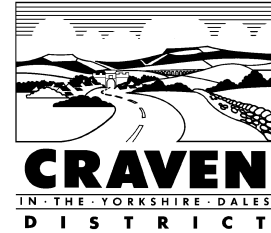
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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

November 2020, to be confirmed.

Chairman.

Craven Spatial Planning Sub Committee – 10/11/2020



Monitoring Discussion Paper: No1: Carbon Neutral Development

Report of the Strategic Manager for Planning and Regeneration

Ward(s) affected: All wards wholly or partly outside the Yorkshire Dales National Park

1. **Purpose of Report** – To present to members of this sub-committee the first in a series of Monitoring Discussion Papers (MDPs). This MDP relates specifically to the Climate Change Emergency Strategic Plan theme of Carbon Neutral Development and is attached as an appendix.
2. **Recommendations** – Members are recommended to:
 - 2.1 Consider the first Monitoring Discussion Paper appended to this report to initiate a discussion between the Spatial Planning Team and members of this sub-committee.
 - 2.2 Note that subsequent MDPs will be presented to this subcommittee in line with the approach and format agreed by members of this subcommittee on the 18th August 2020.
- 3 **Report**
 - 3.1 As agreed by this sub-committee, the first set of MDP's are to focus on Craven's Climate Emergency Strategic Plan. (CCESP) The CCESP is an important changed circumstance which will need to be taken into account in the monitoring and review of the Craven Local Plan. The CCESP themes that relate to the Craven Local Plan are:
 1. Carbon neutral development
 2. Travel and Transportation
 3. Land and Nature
 4. Carbon Neutral Energy and Low Carbon Waste.
 - 3.2 The following discussion points are suggested for each MDP relating to the four themes set out above:
 - To discuss how existing Craven Local Plan policies support the transition to a low carbon future and how they can be implemented to achieve optimum results now.
 - To identify and discuss the opportunities and constraints in using the existing plan policies to achieve lower carbon development and how they relate to the actions contained in the CCESP.

- To identify any weaknesses in the current policy approach in relation to achieving a zero carbon district and provide an initial steer for future work on the review of policies.

3.3 One MDP will be discussed per meeting in order to allow adequate time for detailed discussion between officers and members around each specific theme. It is hoped that the next MDP on the theme of Travel and Transportation will be presented to this subcommittee in January 2021.

3.4 This collaborative working between officers and members undertaken as part of the required ongoing monitoring and review of the adopted Craven Local Plan will help to gradually build up a picture of any changing circumstances affecting the area, and how the local plan and associated evidence base may need updating in the future. This work will contribute to achieving the Government's requirement for monitoring and review of the Craven Local Plan to be completed no later than November 2024. It is hoped that this work will also feed into subsequent reviews of the Council's Climate Emergency Strategic Plan 2020-2030.

4 **Implications**

4.1 **Financial and Value for Money (vfm) Implications** – None arising directly from this report, however there will be costs in respect to monitoring, review and updating of the Craven Local Plan.

4.2 **Legal Implications** – This work forms part of the monitoring and review process for the adopted Craven Local Plan, which must continue to fulfil the following legal requirements:

- Regulation 10A of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended), which requires local planning authorities to review local plans and Statements of Community Involvement at least once every 5 years from their adoption date to ensure that policies remain relevant and effectively address the needs of the local community;
- Section 19(1A) of the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, which imposes a legal duty to ensure that climate change mitigation and adaptation are integrated as core objectives across all local plan policies; and
- Strategic Environmental Assessment Regulations, which impose an obligation to assess the consistency of local plan policies with wider climate change objectives.

4.3 **Contribution to Council Priorities** – The adopted Craven Local Plan, its review, the preparation of any other local plan documents will contribute to all the Council's Priorities including the Climate Emergency Declaration and Climate Emergency Strategic Plan.

4.4 **Risk Management** – The report sets out the steps the Council is required to take to comply with its legal duties to carry out ongoing monitoring and any subsequent updating of the adopted Craven Local Plan under the requirements set out at 4.2, above.

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

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

6 **Access to Information : Background Documents** – None

7. **Author of the Report** – Ruth Parker; telephone 01756 706232; e-mail: rparker@cravenc.gov.uk

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

8. **Appendices** –
Appendix to the report– Monitoring Discussion Paper No1. relating to the specific Climate Change Emergency Strategic Plan theme of Carbon Neutral Development, including the following appendices:

- Appendix A - CCESP Actions Relevant to Craven Local Plan Policies
- Appendix B - How Craven Local Plan Policies Support the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan
- Appendix C - How policies of the Craven Local Plan could influence actions of the CCESP.

CLIMATE EMERGENCY STRATEGIC PLAN CARBON NEUTRAL DEVELOPMENT



A Evidence Base

Final SA Report, November 2019 – This report supports the adopted Craven Local Plan and sets out how Sustainability Appraisal (SA) was used to assess, improve and finalise the Local Plan's spatial strategy, housing growth, policies and site allocations. It therefore provides evidence to show how the Local Plan will make a positive contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development. SA of local plans is a legal requirement.

Climate Emergency Strategic Plan 2020-2030 – The Council has declared a Climate Emergency and has pledged to make the District carbon neutral by 2030. In order to address the emergency, the Council has produced a Strategic Plan, which summaries the evidence, provides analysis and sets out specific actions for the Council to undertake. The Local Plan supports a number of these actions, including three under the theme of Carbon Neutral Development: CND01 Zero Carbon Housing, CND02 Zero Carbon Regeneration and CND03 Lower Carbon Planning.

Viability Assessment – This evidence-base document was commissioned to support the formulation and examination of the Craven Local Plan. It examined the cost of proposed Local Plan policy requirements in order to ensure that the financial viability of development would not be undermined and delivery of the Local Plan could be assured.

B Policy

ENV3: Design – This policy promotes walking, cycling and sustainable design and construction. It applies to the design of all developments, including residential, industrial and commercial, and supports actions CND01, CND02 and CND03.

ENV7: Land and Air Quality – This policy supports brownfield development, which reduces the need for urbanisation of greenfield land and so reduces net carbon emissions. It also requires the encouragement of walking, cycling, public transport and electric vehicles and the reduction of car-use and emissions. Therefore, the policy supports actions CND01, CND02 and CND03.

A further twenty-four policies – from SP3 to INF7 – support action CND03. This action is framed quite broadly and is therefore relevant to a relatively large number of Local Plan policies.

C Supplementary Planning Documents

Good Design: The Craven Context – This will cover understanding, appreciating and responding to the Craven Context, including sustainable design; designing new urban environments and public realm, including connecting places and ensuring good accessibility; and will therefore provide further support to actions CND01, CND02 and CND03.

Good Design: Householder Development – This will cover house extensions, alterations and domestic outbuildings, including sustainable design, and will therefore provide further support to actions CND01 and CND03.

D Changed Circumstances

NPPF – The 2012 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was the basis for preparation and examination of the Craven Local Plan. However, the 2012 NPPF has been revised and the June 2019 NPPF now applies.

Climate Emergency – The Council submitted the Craven Local Plan to the Secretary of State in March 2018 and then declared a climate emergency on 6th August 2019 towards the end of the local plan examination.

E Monitoring Data

Authority Monitoring Report – the Council’s latest AMR covers the monitoring period of 2018-2019 and so pre-dates adoption of the Craven Local Plan in November 2019. Therefore, figures in the AMR are not yet relevant to new Local Plan policies, such as ENV3 and ENV7, because current data was collected before the policies came into effect.

In future AMRs, **Indicator ED3** (number of non-residential developments of 1,000m² or more meeting BREEAM ‘Very Good’ standards) will relate to the sustainable design and construction requirements of Policy ENV3, part s). In the 2018-2019 period, one non-residential development of 1,000m² or more was completed, but did not achieve a BREEAM rating of ‘very good’.

In future AMRs, **Indicator EC2** (total amount of additional employment floor space by type on previously developed land) will relate to Policy ENV7’s support for brownfield development. In the 2018-2019 period, all employment floor space was created on brownfield land (2,800 m² net).

In future AMRs, **Indicator H3** (net additional housing completions for the reporting year, split by previously developed and green field land) will also relate to Policy ENV7’s support for brownfield development. In the 2018-2019 period, 55.5% of net additional housing was provided on greenfield land and 44.6% was provided on brownfield land (242 dwellings in total).

F Issues

Evidence Base – The latest SA Report and Viability Assessment (VA) support the current Craven Local Plan, but further SA and VA will be required to support any future update to the Plan, subsequent to a Plan review. The current Plan predates the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan and is not supported by any evidence relating specifically to Carbon Neutral Development.

Changed Circumstances – The fact that the Plan was prepared and examined under the 2012 NPPF is not a significant issue and the 2019 NPPF is taken into account in planning decisions as a ‘material consideration’. The timing of the Council’s climate emergency declaration meant that it could not be taken into account during preparation and examination of the Plan. However, the Plan does fulfil legal requirements to contribute to mitigation of and adaptation to climate change.

Monitoring Data – The last monitoring period pre-dates adoption of the Craven Local Plan. Therefore, monitoring data does not yet relate to the operation of new Local Plan policies. Monitoring indicators relate to some, but not all relevant policy requirements. For example, several requirements of Policy ENV3 support actions of the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan, but only one requirement (achievement of a BREEAM standard in employment development) is monitored.

G Discussion Points

- i) **Existing Policies** – How existing Local Plan policies support Carbon Neutral Development and how they can be implemented to achieve optimum results now.
- ii) **Future Policies** – How existing policies can be improved (through a review and update of the Local Plan) to achieve better results for Carbon Neutral Development in the future.
- iii) **Requirements and Limitations** – What evidence we need to support future Local Plan policies and what limitations are imposed, on the Local Plan, by national planning policy.

H Appendices

Appendix A – Relevant actions under the theme of Carbon Neutral Development

Appendix B – How Local Plan policies support the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan

Appendix C – How Local Plan policies could influence the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan

APPENDIX A

Climate Emergency Strategic Plan

Theme: Carbon Neutral Development

Actions Relevant to Craven Local Plan Policies

CND01 Zero Carbon Housing

Review the Council's development portfolio; identify and act on opportunities to move towards the Zero Carbon housing model

CND02 Zero Carbon Regeneration

Work with our Joint Venture partners to include energy efficient options in our construction plans wherever possible and ensure that our regeneration projects are as close to zero carbon as possible

CND03 Lower Carbon Planning

Work with developers as any new sites across Craven are approved to ensure that opportunities for efficiency and carbon reduction are maximised

APPENDIX B

How Craven Local Plan Policies Support the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan



Craven District Council has declared a Climate Emergency, has pledged to make the District of Craven carbon neutral by 2030 and has produced a Climate Emergency Strategic Plan 2020-2030, which sets out specific actions to address the emergency.

Craven District Council has also adopted the Craven Local Plan 2012-2032. A local plan forms a major part of the statutory development plan for an area and planning law requires that applications for planning permission be determined in accordance with the development plan, unless material considerations indicate otherwise. Therefore, policies contained in the Craven Local Plan will be the primary consideration in the determination of all planning applications submitted to the Council. There are 45 policies in total, with supporting text, and they set out many requirements for all types of development.

The following table provides an assessment of how policies contained in the Craven Local Plan support relevant actions set out in the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan and **highlighted areas relate specifically to actions under the Carbon Neutral Development theme.** Information and guidance provided in the table should enable the Council to use the Craven Local Plan to its optimum effect in addressing the climate emergency and fulfilling its carbon-neutral pledge. Whilst the Craven Local Plan is only part of a much bigger equation, the table shows that it can make a significant contribution to the achievement of sustainable development and, therefore, the Council's carbon reduction goals. The full text of the Craven Local Plan can be accessed at www.cravendc.gov.uk/localplan.

Craven Local Plan Policy	Relevant Actions of Climate Emergency Strategic Plan	Policy Support for Relevant Actions	Comments
SD1: The Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development	Broad relevance / multiple actions	General support for sustainable development	Policy states that the Council will take a proactive approach and will work co-operatively with people and organisations to find solutions to secure sustainable development that meets relevant plan policies

Craven Local Plan Policy	Relevant Actions of Climate Emergency Strategic Plan	Policy Support for Relevant Actions	Comments
SD2: Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change	Broad relevance / multiple actions	Sets out how the Local Plan will ensure that development contributes to the mitigation of and adaptation to climate change	Includes reducing greenhouse gas emissions through the Spatial Strategy, proposing new development in locations of low flood risk, supporting energy efficiency and renewable technologies, and managing impacts on water supply, biodiversity and landscape
SP1: Meeting Housing Need	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy sets out the total number of new homes to be delivered
SP2: Economic Activity and Business Growth	TRT03, TRT05, TRT06	Supports enhanced walking, cycling and public transport	Direct relevance to action on emissions from travel/transport
SP3: Housing Mix and Density	CND03	Ensures effective and efficient use of land to meet local housing needs	Minimises urbanisation of land and therefore net carbon emissions
SP4: Spatial Strategy and Housing Growth	CND03	Ensures a sustainable pattern of development with growth focused on the most sustainable locations	Spatial Strategy was established through the process of Sustainability Appraisal
SP5: Strategy for Skipton – Tier 1	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN07	Includes requirements for green infrastructure, enhanced biodiversity, new PROWs, trees/ woodland, walking and cycling	Policy provides land allocations for new housing, employment and regeneration
SP6: Strategy for Settle – Tier 2	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN07	Includes requirements for green infrastructure, enhanced biodiversity, tree planting, PROWs, walking and cycling	Policy provides land allocations for new housing, employment and regeneration

Craven Local Plan Policy	Relevant Actions of Climate Emergency Strategic Plan	Policy Support for Relevant Actions	Comments
SP7: Strategy for Bentham – Tier 2	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN07	Includes requirements for PROWs, green infrastructure, enhanced biodiversity and walking	Policy provides land allocations for new housing
SP8: Strategy for Glusburn/Cross Hills – Tier 3	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN07	Includes requirements for PROWs, green infrastructure, trees, walking and cycling	Policy provides land allocations for new housing
SP9: Strategy for Ingleton – Tier 3	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN07	Includes requirements for enhanced biodiversity, PROWs and walking	Policy provides land allocations for new housing and employment
SP10: Strategy for Gargrave – Tier 3	CND03, LAN01, LAN07	Includes requirements for green infrastructure and enhanced biodiversity	Policy provides land allocations for new housing
SP11: Strategy for Tier 4a and 4b Villages	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN07	Includes requirements for green infrastructure, trees, walking and cycling	Policy provides land allocations for new housing and some employment
SP12: Infrastructure, Strategy and Development Delivery	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy provides for the delivery of infrastructure to support Local Plan growth, as set out in the Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP)
ENV1: Countryside and Landscape	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN07	Supports enhanced PROW network and restoration and enhancement of landscapes	Relevance to tree planting on a landscape scale
ENV2: Heritage	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy provides for the conservation of heritage assets, such as listed buildings

Craven Local Plan Policy	Relevant Actions of Climate Emergency Strategic Plan	Policy Support for Relevant Actions	Comments
ENV3: Good Design	CNE06, CNE07, CNE08, CNE09, CND01, CND02, CND03, TRT03, TRT05	Promotes walking, cycling and sustainable design and construction	Policy applies to the design of all developments, including residential, industrial and commercial
ENV4: Biodiversity	CND03, LAN01, LAN03, LAN07	Requires net gain in biodiversity and increase in trees and woodland, wherever possible	Policy identifies specific allocated sites where net gains in biodiversity will be required
ENV5: Green Infrastructure	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN03, LAN07	Requires improvement and expansion of the GI network wherever possible	Policy identifies specific allocated sites where improvements and growth in GI will be required
ENV6: Flood Risk	CND03, LAN01, LAN07	Protects areas with potential to increase flood resilience and requires natural capacity of soils, vegetation, floodplains, wetland and uplands to be enhanced	Natural flood management supports carbon sequestration in soils and vegetation, including new trees and woodland
ENV7: Land and Air Quality	CNE06, CNE07, CNE08, CNE09, CND01, CND02, CND03, TRT01, TRT02, TRT03, TRT05	Supports brownfield development. Requires development to encourage walking, cycling, public transport, electric vehicles and reduce car-use and emissions.	Re-use of brownfield land reduces need for further urbanisation of greenfield land and therefore reduces net carbon emissions
ENV8: Water Resources, Water Quality and Groundwater	LAN03	Seeks to safeguard and improve water resources, including the River Aire	Also aims to conserve resources, which is generally beneficial in terms of reducing net CO2 emissions
ENV9: Renewable and Low Carbon Energy	CNE06, CNE09, LCW05, LAN05	Supports proposals that offer a good balance of economic, environmental and social benefits	Policy applies to all projects and infrastructure, including wind, biomass and anaerobic digestion

Craven Local Plan Policy	Relevant Actions of Climate Emergency Strategic Plan	Policy Support for Relevant Actions	Comments
ENV10: Local Green Space	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy aims to preserve green areas, which is generally beneficial in terms of reducing net CO2 emissions
ENV11: The Leeds & Liverpool Canal	CND03, TRT03, TRT05	Requires access to/along/from the canal and towpath to be improved	Policy applies to proposals adjacent to, adjoining or impacting on canal. Towpath used for walking/cycling.
ENV12: Footpaths, Bridleways, Byways and Cycle Routes	CND03, TRT03, TRT05	Supports proposals that preserve and enhance footpaths, bridleways, byways and cycle routes	Includes preservation of existing, creation of new and securing links to and within the local network
ENV13: Green Wedges	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy aims to preserve green areas, which is generally beneficial in terms of reducing net CO2 emissions
H1: Specialist Housing for Older People	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy provides for the housing needs of older people
H2: Affordable Housing	CND03	Supports improvement of existing affordable housing stock and re-use of empty homes	Improvement/re-use of existing stock/homes reduces need for urbanisation of greenfield land and so reduces net CO2 emissions
H3: Gypsies, Travellers, Showmen and Roma	CND03	Requires new/extended sites to have access to local services and employment	Reduces need for day-to-day car-use and therefore CO2 emissions
EC1: Employment and Economic Development	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy supports employment and economic development in specific locations and circumstances

Craven Local Plan Policy	Relevant Actions of Climate Emergency Strategic Plan	Policy Support for Relevant Actions	Comments
EC2: Safeguarding Existing Employment Areas	CND03	Safeguards against the avoidable loss of existing employment sites and premises	Reduces need for urbanisation of greenfield land to provide new sites/premises and so reduces net CO2 emissions
EC3: Rural Economy	CNE09, CND03, LCW05, LAN01, LAN02, LAN05, LAN06, LAN07	Supports innovation, land-based businesses and the use of farmland/buildings in new and different ways	Examples include green technology, renewable and low-carbon energy, flood management and research
EC4: Tourism	CND03, TRT03, TRT05, LAN03	Ensures access to public transport, footpaths and cycle routes and, wherever possible, improvement and expansion of the network	Policy also seeks environmental improvements and acknowledges potential of new activities and wildlife tourism (could include DNAire and new woodlands)
EC4A: Tourism–Led Development at Bolton Abbey	CNE09, CND03, TRT03, LAN05	Provides for sensitive, sustainable economic development, including improved walking and cycling	Emerging proposals also include improved connections to Bolton Abbey Station, tree planting and a biomass boiler
EC4B: Tourism Development Commitment at Hellifield	TRT03	Requires preservation and enhancement of PROW network	Also includes biodiversity and LGS requirements (ENV4, ENV10 above)
EC5: Town, District and Local Centres	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy supports enhancement of and focus on town and village centres as locations for retail, leisure, cultural, commercial and community activity
EC5A: Residential Uses in Town, District and Local Centres	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy allows for some residential development in town and village centres in line with the aims of EC5

Craven Local Plan Policy	Relevant Actions of Climate Emergency Strategic Plan	Policy Support for Relevant Actions	Comments
INF1: Planning Obligations	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy is on planning obligations, or section 106 agreements, themselves and sets out how they will be used
INF2: Community Facilities and Social Spaces	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy sets out how community facilities will be protected and improved and new ones created
INF3: Sport, Open Space and Recreational Facilities	CND03, TRT03, LAN01, LAN07	Requires open space to be retained and improved and new open space to be created. Promotes access by walking, cycling and public transport.	Policy requirements could include retention, improvement and planting of trees or natural/semi-natural green areas
INF4: Parking Provision	CND03, TRT01, TRT02, TRT03, TRT04, TRT05	Promotes low emission vehicles, electric vehicle charging points and cycle parking	Policy contributes to sustainable transport, minimising congestion and reducing conflict between road users
INF5: Communications Infrastructure	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy supports expansion of communications infrastructure, including broadband
INF6: Education Provision	Not applicable	Not applicable	Policy ensures a sufficient choice of school places to meet the needs of existing and new residents
INF7: Sustainable Transport and Highways	CND03, TRT03, TRT05, TRT06	Seeks improvements in public transport, cycling and walking	Policy aims to minimise greenhouse gases and congestion, support safe and accessible travel facilities and maximise sustainable travel

Index to Relevant Themes and Actions of the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan

Carbon Neutral Energy

- CNE06 Renewable Energy for CDC Operations
- CNE07 Low Carbon Rural Development
- CNE08 High Planning Standards for Energy
- CNE09 Support and Promote Renewable Energy

Travel and Transportation

- TRT01 EV Charging Network
- TRT02 EV Charging in Developments
- TRT03 Safer Walking and Cycling Network
- TRT05 Improve Car-free access to Skipton
- TRT06 A coordinated approach to Public Transport improvement

Carbon Neutral Development

- CND01 Zero Carbon Housing
- CND02 Zero Carbon Regeneration
- CND03 Lower Carbon Planning

Low Carbon Waste

- LCW05 Anaerobic Digestion Facilities

Land and Nature

- LAN01 Increase Tree Cover across Craven
- LAN02 Increase Tree Cover across our estate
- LAN03 DNAire
- LAN05 Diversify Land Use
- LAN06 Woodland Memorial Site
- LAN07 Promote native species

Other (not relevant) Themes and Actions of the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan

Carbon Neutral Energy

- CNE01 Renewable Energy Contracts [for CDC]
- CNE02 Improve energy use in [CDC] buildings
- CNE03 Low Energy Lighting [for CDC]
- CNE04 Low Energy Appliances [for CDC]
- CNE05 Insulation of Council Buildings
- CNE10 Increase Home Energy Efficiency [advice and funding]
- CNE11 'Close the Door' [campaign]

Travel and Transportation

- TRT04 Support [CDC] Staff Transition to ULEVs
- TRT07 Incentivise active [CDC] staff travel
- TRT08 Car sharing and car clubs [for CDC staff]
- TRT09 Incentivise Low Emissions Taxis [via licensing]
- TRT10 Low Carbon [CDC] Fleet

Use of Materials

- UOM01 All actions under this theme are organisational and relate to ending to or reducing the use of plastics by CDC, retailers and across the UOM03 District.

Carbon Neutral Development

None All actions under this theme are relevant to Local Plan policies

Low Carbon Waste

- LCW01 Efficient Route Planning [for Waste Management fleet]
- LCW02 Electric RCV Components [for WM fleet]
- LCW03 Reduce average fuel consumption [of WM fleet]
- LCW04 ULEV Vans [for CDC fleet]
- LCW06 Workplace Recycling [for CDC staff]
- LCW07 Reduce Waste in the Workplace [campaign]
- LCW08 Retail Waste Reduction [campaign]
- LCW09 Circular Craven [campaign]
- LCW10 Waste reduction advice [campaign]

Land and Nature

- LAN04 National Park Habitats [outside Local Plan area]

Our Council

- CDC01 All actions under this theme are organisational and relate to to reducing CDC's carbon impact through procurement, CDC07 investment and collaboration.

APPENDIX C

How policies of the Craven Local Plan could influence actions of the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan

Theme: Use of Materials

All current actions under this theme (UOM01 – UOM03) relate to ending or reducing the use of plastics by CDC and retailers and across the District. However, Local Plan policy ENV3 requires the use of locally sourced (building) materials wherever possible.

Suggest a new action: UOM04 Locally Sourced Materials – Reduce transportation miles and therefore CO2 emissions by requiring the use of locally sourced building materials in new developments, including Council projects, wherever possible.

Theme: Land and Nature

Most existing actions under this theme are supported by Local Plan policies. However, Local Plan policies ENV7, ENV10 and ENV13 also support the reuse of brownfield land and the preservation of greenfield land, which can contribute to reducing net carbon emissions.

Suggest a new action: LAN08 Conserve Greenfield Land – Minimise the urbanisation of greenfield land, which acts as a carbon sink and reduces net CO2 emissions, by encouraging the reuse of brownfield land for new developments, including Council projects, and by preserving areas of natural, semi-natural and cultivated land, including Council land.

Theme: Land and Nature

Existing action LAN01 is to increase tree Cover across Craven, including through large-scale tree planting by the Environment Agency and Woodland Trust. This action is already supported by several Local Plan policies, but policy ENV6 also supports Natural Flood Management and, therefore, carbon sequestration in soils, trees and other vegetation.

Suggest existing action LAN01 is expanded to promote NFM and the creation or enhancement of carbon sinks in soils and other vegetation.