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Sustainability Appraisal  
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# Appendix A

## Quality Assurance Checklist

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Objectives and Context	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The plan's purpose and objectives are made clear.</li> </ul>	Section 1.4.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sustainability issues, including international and EC objectives, are considered in developing objectives and targets.</li> </ul>	Sustainability issues are identified in Sections 3, 4 and Tables 3.2 and 4.7.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SEA objectives are clearly set out and linked to indicators and targets where appropriate.</li> </ul>	Objectives are identified in Table 5.1. Possible indicators for monitoring are identified again Appendix L.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Links with other related plans, programmes and policies are identified and explained.</li> </ul>	Plans and programmes are identified in Section 3 and a review is included in Appendix C.
Scoping	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The environmental consultation bodies are consulted in appropriate ways and at appropriate times on the content and scope of the Environmental Report.</li> </ul>	<p>The environmental bodies were consulted on the Revised Scoping Report for York in 2013.</p> <p>This baseline has been updated, plans and programmes revised and key sustainability issues reviewed to ensure all contextual information continues to be appropriate, and the resulting appraisal framework consistent with York's needs. This has taken into account any comments received during consultation on the SA Report concerning the Local Plan Preferred Option (2013) and the Interim SA Report concerning the Preferred Sites consultation (2016).</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The assessment focuses on significant issues.</li> <li>Technical, procedural and other difficulties encountered are discussed; assumptions and uncertainties are made explicit.</li> <li>Reasons are given for eliminating issues from further consideration.</li> </ul>	<p>Key sustainability issues have been identified in Table 4.7. which has assisted in focussing on the significant issues in the assessment.</p> <p>These are made clear throughout the Report where appropriate. Section 5.9 highlights specific difficulties encountered in completing the assessment.</p> <p>All SEA topics are covered in the SA.</p>
Baseline Information	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relevant aspects of the current state of the environment and their likely evolution without the plan are described.</li> </ul>	Section 4 and Appendix D.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Characteristics of areas likely to be significantly affected are described, including areas wider than the physical boundary of the plan area where it is likely to be affected by the plan where practicable.</li> </ul>	Section 4 and Appendix D.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Difficulties such as deficiencies in information or methods are explained.</li> </ul>	See Section 5.9 and comments made clear throughout the Report where appropriate.
Prediction and evaluation of likely significant effects	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Likely significant social, environmental and economic effects are identified, including those listed in the SEA Directive (biodiversity, population, human health, fauna, flora, soil, water, air, climate factors, material assets, cultural heritage and landscape), as relevant.</li> </ul>	Section 6 presents the assessment of the sustainability performance of the preferred development option and proposed policies of the Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. This is set out in matrices at Appendix E , F, H, I,J and N that have been developed to meet the requirements of the SEA Directive.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Both positive and negative effects are considered, and where practicable, the duration of effects (short, medium or long-term) is addressed.</li> <li>Likely secondary, cumulative and synergistic effects are identified where practicable.</li> </ul>	<p>Positive and negative effects are considered within the assessments at Appendix E , F, H, I,J and N. Potential effects are identified in the short, medium and long-term.</p> <p>Likely secondary, cumulative and synergistic effects are identified in the assessment commentary, where appropriate. This is summarised in Section 6.7 and within the cumulative effects matrix (Table 6.4).</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inter-relationships between effects are considered where practicable.</li> </ul>	Inter-relationships between effects are identified in the assessment commentary, where appropriate (including in the cumulative effects Table 6.4)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where relevant, the prediction and evaluation of effects makes use of accepted standards, regulations, and thresholds.</li> </ul>	These are identified in the commentary, where appropriate.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Methods used to evaluate the effects are described.</li> </ul>	These are described in Section 5.
<b>Mitigation measures</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and offset any significant adverse effects of implementing the plan are indicated.</li> </ul>	These are identified in the commentary of the site and policy appraisals (where relevant), and within the key conclusions and recommendations (Section 7).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issues to be taken into account in development consents are identified.</li> </ul>	These are identified in the commentary of the site and policy appraisals (where relevant), and within the key conclusions and recommendations (Section 7).
<b>The SA Report</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is clear and concise in its layout and presentation.</li> </ul>	The SA Report is clear and concise.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses simple, clear language and avoids or explains technical terms. Uses maps and other illustrations where appropriate.</li> </ul>	A series of maps which illustrate environmental constraints are included in Section 4.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explains the methodology used. Explains who was consulted and what methods of consultation were used.</li> <li>Identifies sources of information, including expert judgement and matters of opinion.</li> </ul>	<p>Section 5 presents the methodology used for the assessment.</p> <p>Relevant information is referenced throughout the report.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contains a non-technical summary</li> </ul>	A non-technical summary has been produced and is included at the front of this report.
<b>Consultation</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The SEA is consulted on as an integral part of the plan-making process.</li> </ul>	<p>The SA of the Preferred Option Draft Local Plan was subject to consultation between 5<sup>th</sup> June and 31<sup>st</sup> July 2013 and an Interim Sustainability Appraisal was consulted on alongside the Preferred Sites Consultation between 18<sup>th</sup> July 2016 and 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016.</p> <p>This SA Report will be subject to consultation alongside the Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft (Regulation 18 Consultation). A full SA Report will be consulted on with the Publication Draft (Regulation 19) Local Plan prior to submission and</p>



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	Examination in Public.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The consultation bodies, other consultees and the public are consulted in ways which give them an early and effective opportunity within appropriate time frames to express their opinions on the draft plan and SA Report.</li> </ul>	<p>The SA of the Preferred Option Draft Local Plan was subject to consultation between 5th June and 31st July 2013 and an Interim Sustainability Appraisal was consulted on alongside the Preferred Sites Consultation between 18th July 2016 and 12th September 2016.</p> <p>This SA Report will be subject to consultation alongside the Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft (Regulation 18 Consultation). A full SA Report will be consulted on with the Publication Draft (Regulation 19) Local Plan prior to submission and Examination in Public.</p>
Decision-making and information on the decision	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The SA Report and the opinions of those consulted are taken into account in finalising and adopting the plan.</li> </ul>	Appendix B summarises consultation response received on the SA Report concerning the Preferred Option Draft Local Plan (2013) and Interim SA Report on the Preferred Sites Consultation (2016) and, where appropriate, how they have been taken into account in this SA Report.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An explanation is given of how they have been taken into account.</li> </ul>	Appendix B summarises consultation response received on the SA Report concerning the Preferred Option Draft Local Plan (2013) and Interim SA Report on the Preferred Sites Consultation (2016) and, where appropriate, how they have been taken into account in this SA Report.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reasons are given for choices in the adopted plan, in the light of other reasonable options considered.</li> </ul>	Section 2 outlines the key options considered in developing the Local Plan.

# Appendix B

## Schedule of Responses Received to the Local Plan Preferred Options and Preferred Sites Consultation SA Report

**Table B.1 Summary of Consultation Responses on the Preferred Sites Consultation (2016) Interim SA Report.**

Consultee	Section of SA	Summary of Response	Proposed Action
Historic England	General Comment	It is vital that the Heritage Impact Appraisal is published as it supports appraisal under SA Objective 14.	Noted. The updated Heritage Impact Appraisal (HIA) by CYC has been used to inform appraisal of the sites (draft allocations and reasonable alternatives) and policies in the Interim SA Report as CYC progress towards formal publication of the Plan. The findings are set out in Section 5 and relevant appendices.
Historic England	Site appraisal	ST31 - We consider that this site would result in serious harm to SA Objective 14. Since it is not possible to mitigate this harm, this site should be deleted.	ST31 remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. It is the role of the Local Plan preparation process (informed by the SA) to determine which sites are selected for inclusion in the plan rather than the SA itself. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The site has scored a mix of neutral and minor negative effects for Objective 14 based on the analysis of the site in the HIA.
Historic England	Site appraisal	ST15 – An incursion of this size into the open countryside around the historic City is likely to result in harm to SA Objective 14. This Allocation has potential to result in serious harm to SA Objective 14.	ST15 remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft although the site boundaries have changed since the 2016 Preferred Sites consultation. It is the role of the Local Plan preparation process (informed by the SA) to determine which sites are selected for inclusion in the plan rather than the SA itself. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The site has scored a mix of minor and significant negative effects for Objective 14. The SA notes that, on balance, it is considered that this site may cause predominantly minor harm to the historic environment, with potential for significant harm subject to masterplanning and further survey.. There are recognised



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			opportunities for mitigation and enhancement to reduce negative effects. Ultimately, the scale of impact on the historic environment will be determined through masterplanning.
Historic England	Site appraisal	ST5 – We consider that the impact of the development of this site against SA Objective 14 to be uncertain.	ST15 remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The site has scored negatively for Objective 14, however, it is recognised that there may also be beneficial opportunities for adding to cultural heritage through regeneration of this area of the City Centre. The site has also therefore been assessed as being uncertain against this objective.
Historic England	Site appraisal	ST7 – It is likely that this Allocation would result in serious harm to SA Objective 14. The eastern edge of Site ST7 needs to be pulled away from the ring road. The most appropriate approach might be for some limited development on the eastern edge of the main built-up area of the City but this must be of a scale which does not harm the scale or compact nature of the City.	Noted. ST7 remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. It is the role of the Local Plan preparation process (informed by the SA) to determine which sites are selected for inclusion in the plan rather than the SA itself. It is important to acknowledge that the site SA is therefore one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered (along with consideration of constraints, suitability and viability) in determining the selection of preferred sites to be included in the Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The site has scored a mix of minor and significant negative effects for this Objective 14 subject to the implementation of mitigation.
Historic England	Site appraisal	H57 – It is likely that this Allocation would result in serious harm to SA Objective 14. Reduce the extent of Site H57 to exclude the currently undeveloped area to the south of the existing buildings.	This site is now a preferred employment site allocation (E16) in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. It is the role of the Local Plan preparation process (informed by the SA) to determine which sites are selected for inclusion in the plan rather than the SA itself. It is important to acknowledge that the site SA is therefore one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered (along with consideration of constraints, suitability and viability) in determining the selection of preferred sites to be included in the Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The site has scored neutrally for Objective 14.



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Historic England	Site appraisal	ST14 - An incursion of this size into the open countryside around the historic City is likely to result in harm to SA Objective 14. This Allocation has potential to result in serious harm to SA Objective 14.	ST14 remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The SA notes that on balance, it is considered that this site may cause minor harm to the historic character and setting of York. The scale of impact on the historic environment will be determined through masterplanning. The site has been assessed as scoring negatively against Sa Objective 14.
Historic England	Site appraisal	ST8 – it is likely that this Allocation would result in serious harm to SA Objective 14. In order to reduce the impact upon the setting of the City from the A1237 and to retain the pattern of historic fields, development should be pulled away from the northern Ring Road and Monk’s Cross Link Road.	ST8 remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. It is the role of the Local Plan preparation process (informed by the SA) to determine which sites are selected for inclusion in the plan rather than the SA itself. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. There are no designated heritage assets within the site but the HIA has identified a high quantity of legible non designated landscape features exist across the site including medieval ridge and furrow, strip fields and post-medieval field boundaries. The ridge and furrow may protect earlier landscape features lying beneath it. The SA notes that these should be preserved where possible. The site has been assessed as having mixed neutral and minor negative effects on this Objective 14.
Historic England	Site appraisal	ST27 - it is likely that this Allocation would result in serious harm to SA Objective 14. The future expansion of the University should be restricted to within the area shaded grey on the plan on page 70 and consideration should be given to the expansion of the university in a northerly direction onto Site ST4 instead.	ST27 remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. It is the role of the Local Plan preparation process (informed by the SA) to determine which sites are selected for inclusion in the plan rather than the SA itself. It is important to acknowledge that the site SA is therefore one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered (along with consideration of constraints, suitability and viability) in determining the selection of preferred sites to be included in the Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The site has scored minor negatively for Objective 14.
Historic England	Site appraisal	ST6 - it is likely that this Allocation would result in serious harm to SA Objective 14. Since it is not possible to mitigate this harm, this site should be deleted.	ST6 no longer remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. It is the role of the Local Plan preparation process (informed by the SA) to determine which





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			sites are selected for inclusion in the plan rather than the SA itself. It is important to acknowledge that the site SA is therefore one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered (along with consideration of constraints, suitability and viability) in determining the selection of preferred sites to be included in the Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The site has scored negatively for Objective 14.
Historic England	Site appraisal	ST19 - It is likely that this Allocation would result in serious harm to SA Objective 14. Amend the extent of Site ST19 so that the southern extent of this area extends no further south than the existing car park to the south of Redwood House.	ST19 is no longer remains as a preferred site allocation in the CYC Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. It is the role of the Local Plan preparation process (informed by the SA) to determine which sites are selected for inclusion in the plan rather than the SA itself. It is important to acknowledge that the site SA is therefore one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered (along with consideration of constraints, suitability and viability) in determining the selection of preferred sites to be included in the Local Plan Pre-Publication Draft. The site has been appraised in the SA and scoring for Objective 14 has drawn on the CYC HIA. The site has scored negatively for Objective 14.
Natural England	Site appraisals	Natural England welcomed the updated site appraisals and stated it was important to keep the SA (and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA)) up to date. Natural England advised that the HRA also be updated.	Noted. This Interim SA Report provides further updates to the appraisal of the draft allocations and reasonable alternatives as CYC. Additionally, the latest HRA work has been reflected in the SA Interim Report.
Natural England	Paragraph 1.9	Welcome commitment to undertake full appraisal of strategic sites and alternatives in subsequent SA Report.	Noted. The intention at the Preferred Sites Consultation (PSC) stage was to proceed to formal publication of the Local Plan following the PSC consultation. However, CYC has instead proceeded to a further non-statutory consultation stage (the Local Pre-Publication Draft Consultation). The Interim SA Report provides up-to-date appraisal of emerging draft allocations and the reasonable alternatives in the Local Plan Pre-Publication Consultation (with detailed appraisal of the strategic site preferred options). The SA Report, which will accompany the statutory draft Local Plan publication stage (under Reg 19.) and submission of the draft Local Plan to the Secretary of State

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			(under Reg, 22) will include the appraisal of all options in accordance with the regulatory requirements.
Environment Agency	Site Assessment	The response references flood risk at a number of Strategic Sites.	Noted. The comments largely refer to CYC site selection methodology. However, the SA has been informed by latest evidence related to flood risk, and specifically the location of sites in relation to Flood Zones. Scoring in the SA (and the CYC site selection methodology) has reflected the location of the site in relation to the areas of highest flood risk with negative (-) (for Flood Zone 2) or significant negative (- -) (for Flood Zone 3) scores given for sites where relevant.
RSPB	Site Appraisal	ST1 – SA has correctly identified negative assessment for biodiversity. It is vital that any necessary mitigation measures are recorded as requirements against this allocation.	Noted. The Interim SA Report includes up-to-date appraisal of this site.
RSPB	Site Appraisal	ST31 – SA has correctly identified negative assessment for biodiversity. It is vital that any necessary mitigation measures are recorded as requirements against this allocation.	Noted. The Interim SA Report includes up-to-date appraisal of this site.
Pilcher Homes and Barwood Strategic Land II LLP	Appraisal of Reasonable Alternatives	The respondents object to the Council's approach, which has not used the SA to consider reasonable alternatives, instead limiting it to appraising site allocations to be included within the abortive LP Publication Draft (October 2014). There is no opportunity to demonstrate that the Plan has been fully justified and the most appropriate strategy, or that sites identified have been considered against other reasonable alternatives. Reasonable alternatives should be identified and considered at an early stage. The interim SA Report is stated to supersede those previously considered in the Sustainability Appraisals (SA). It is the intention of CYC to then move forward to prepare a full SA to test sites and alternatives. This approach is deeply flawed and 'it has a poor relationship to legal requirements and will tend to appear as an exercise in retrofitting evidence to a pre-determined outcome'. There is no available evidence to demonstrate that a reasonable range of alternative approaches have been evaluated in an SEA context prior to choices being made; rather a preferred approach has been identified prior to any proper SEA exercise and in the absence of the completion of a comprehensive Green Belt Assessment. CYCs approach is clearly unsound and has been carried out without essential requirement of supportive evidence to inform the choices being pursued.	<p>The Local Plan Pre-Publication Consultation Interim SA Report sets out the appraisal of the revised draft site allocations and all reasonable alternatives at this stage (in Section 5 and relevant appendices). It is recognised that not all strategic site reasonable alternatives have received the same level of analysis (this is only with regards to the in depth commentary, rather than the scoring itself). However, it is not a requirement under the Regulations to present a full SA Report at this non-statutory stage.</p> <p>The Interim SA Report accompanies and shapes the Local Plan Pre-Publication Consultation. The SA Report, which will accompany the statutory draft Local Plan publication stage (under Reg 19.) and submission of the draft Local Plan to the Secretary of State (under Reg, 22), will include the appraisal of all options in an equal manner in accordance with regulatory requirements.</p>



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Linden Homes, Taylor Wimpey and Persimmon Homes	Appraisal of reasonable alternatives	The respondents noted that the absence of comparison of reasonable alternatives in the Sustainability Appraisal does not make it possible to consider the suitability of the revised portfolio of sites. The SA should test all reasonable alternatives and set out a justification for spatial distribution. Without spatial strategy and evidence, it is not possible for SA to explore options and policies. Absence of comparison of reasonable alternatives in SA does not make it possible to consider the suitability of the revised portfolio of sites. Concerns that not all reasonable alternatives considered.	<p>The Local Plan Pre-Publication Consultation Interim SA Report sets out the appraisal of the revised draft site allocations and all reasonable alternatives at this stage (in Section 5 and relevant appendices). It is recognised that not all strategic site reasonable alternatives have received the same level of analysis (this is only with regards to the in depth commentary, rather than the scoring itself). However, it is not a requirement under the Regulations to present a full SA Report at this non-statutory stage.</p> <p>The Interim SA Report accompanies and shapes the Local Plan Pre-Publication Consultation. The SA Report, which will accompany the statutory draft Local Plan publication stage (under Reg 19.) and submission of the draft Local Plan to the Secretary of State (under Reg, 22), will include the appraisal of all options in an equal manner in accordance with regulatory requirements.</p>

**Table B.2 Summary of Consultation Responses on the Preferred Options SA Report.**

Please note that the proposed actions identified relate to the SA Report, which accompanied the halted Publication Draft Local Plan (2014). The proposed actions have been replicated in the preparation of the current Sustainability Appraisal Report, which accompanies the Local Pre-Publication Draft (Regulation 18 Consultation).

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English Heritage	Figure 3.3 SA Topic 14, sub objectives	The first and fourth bullet points are considering the same thing.  Simpler to have a single sub-objective covering special character and setting of the historic city, with a suggestion of "Preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to the special character and setting of the historic city as identified in the Heritage Topic Paper."	Noted. The appraisal framework has been amended to reflect this comment.
English Heritage	Figure 3.7	Not clear how the assessment has taken account of the impact the development of the sites might have on the historic environment.  Sub-objectives for SA Objective 14 include one that relates to the Historic Environment - the assessment criteria make no mention of this consideration.  Not clear the 'distance to' the various categories of asset means.  Not clear what the 'points scored' is indicating.	At the preferred options stage the SA report acknowledged that it was difficult to appraise the likely effects, particularly in relation to the Historic Environment on Objective 14. In assessing the draft Local Plan due consideration and regard has been made to the Heritage Impact Appraisal produced by CYC.
English Heritage	Table 4.1, SA Objective 14	Dependent on implementation the LP priorities of 'Get York Moving' and 'Build Strong Communities' could impact upon SA objective 14. Believe effect should be "I"  State LP priority for Natural Environment likely to benefit historic environment and should be a (+)	Noted. These recommendations have been taken into account when assessing the draft Local Plan and its updated policies.
English Heritage	Figure 4.4 SA Objective 14	Concern about how the impact of the sites has been evaluated against SA Objective 14. State that several of the sites will likely harm the special character or setting of the historic city. Two specific Sites (ST15 and St14) should be recorded as very negative.	At the preferred options stage the SA report acknowledged that it was difficult to appraise the likely effects, particularly in relation to the Historic Environment on Objective 14. In assessing the



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		Requires a closer read- between the conclusions of the Heritage Impact Assessment and the SA.	draft Local Plan due consideration and regard has been made to the Heritage Impact Appraisal produced by CYC.
English Heritage	Figure 4.5	On the whole agree with the assessment of the likely effects of sites on the historic environment (Objective 14).  H37 should be re-evaluated- it should be 'very negative' due to impact on green belt and the historic city. Needs to be reflected in Paragraph 4.4.72 with a recommendation not to allocate	Noted. It is important to acknowledge that the site SA is one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered (along with consideration of constraints, suitability and viability) in determining the selection of preferred sites to be included in the Preferred Options Local Plan.
English Heritage	Paragraph 4.4.71 and 4.4.72	Identified 17 sites that are likely to have an impact on designated heritage assets	Noted. It is important to acknowledge that the SA is one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered (along with consideration of constraints, suitability and viability) in determining the selection of preferred sites to be included in the Preferred Options Local Plan. The purpose of the SA Report is to provide an appraisal of the likely sustainability effects of the draft Local Plan and where appropriate to propose measures to mitigate any significant adverse effects and measure to enhance positive outcomes. The information is provided to support those potentially affected by the draft Local Plan to understand the implications and to make an informed contribution to the consultation which in turn will help the Council make a Local Plan that is sound, justified, effective and consistent with national policy. In undertaking this requirement, the Council must also incorporate the requirements of the European Union Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment, referred to as the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Directive.'
English Heritage	Paragraph 4.4.41	Set out a number of consideration in their response that need to be taken into consideration before allocation or if allocated as part of the development site. Measures to be included in table of mitigation measures	The measures contained within the letter of the 26 July are noted and along with the HIA have assisted in assessing the effects of proposed Strategic Sites on Objectives 14 and 15.

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English Heritage	Policy SS2 against SA Objective 14	Chosen Option 3 is likely to have an adverse impact on elements which contribute to the special character and setting of York. Therefore Option 1, which prioritizes social and economic spatial principles is likely to have a greater impact on the historic environment, therefore suggest option 1 should be scored (--)	Disagree. The council considers that its assessment of these options against these objectives is correct.
English Heritage	Policy SS2 Criterion i First bullet-point	It is important that the scale of growth is consistent with safeguarding the special character and setting of York. This should be reflected in this bullet-point.	Noted.
English Heritage	Spatial Strategy Policy SS3	The assessment of this Policy needs to consider each of the sites individually. Given the large number of sites in this Policy, the only general conclusion is that the effect will be uncertain – which does not assist the decision making process.	Noted.
English Heritage	Policy SS3 against SA Objective 14	The chosen option (1) likely to have adverse impacts upon elements which contribute to the special character and setting of York, suggest should be scored (-)	Disagree. The council considers that its assessment of these options against these objectives is correct.
English Heritage	Spatial Strategy Policy SS6	<p>The assessment of this Policy needs to consider each of the sites individually. Given the large number of sites in this Policy, the only general conclusion is that the effect will be uncertain – which does not assist the decision making process.</p> <p>Whilst we support the principle of identifying land to meet the longer-term development needs of the City and the safeguarding of these areas, some of the sites which have been identified, as possible locations for longer-term development appear to fulfil the primary purpose of the York Green Belt and, if developed, look likely to harm elements which contribute to the special character of the historic City.</p> <p>We have particular concerns about the Sites to the north of ST14, to the east of ST15 and around ST19.</p>	Noted. It is important to acknowledge that aside from an assessment of the wording of Policy SS6, an assessment of the individual strategic sites has also been conducted (with the subsequent findings presented in Table 6.2 and Appendix I1).
English Heritage	Spatial Strategy Policy EMP2	The assessment of this Policy needs to consider each of the sites individually. Given the large number of sites in this Policy, the only general conclusion is that the effect will be uncertain – which does not assist the decision making process.	Noted. It is important to acknowledge that aside from an assessment of the wording of Policy EMP2, an assessment of the individual strategic sites has also been conducted (with the subsequent findings presented in Table 6.2 and Appendix I1).
English Heritage	Policy (Housing) H1	Whatever the chosen scale of housing, it will impact the special character and setting of York- but Option 1 is likely to have less of an impact therefore it should be scored (?)	Noted. It is important to acknowledge that the site SA is one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered (along with consideration

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	Growth) against SA Objective 14		of constraints, suitability and viability) in determining the selection of preferred sites to be included in the Preferred Options Local Plan. The purpose of the SA Report is to provide an appraisal of the likely sustainability effects of the draft Local Plan and where appropriate to propose measures to mitigate any significant adverse effects and measure to enhance positive outcomes. The information is provided to support those potentially affected by the draft Local Plan to understand the implications and to make an informed contribution to the consultation which in turn will help the Council make a Local Plan that is sound, justified, effective and consistent with national policy. In undertaking this requirement, the Council must also incorporate the requirements of the European Union Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment, referred to as the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Directive.'
English Heritage	Policy H1 (Housing Supply Buffer) against SA Objective 14	This is in relation to the housing land supply buffer stating the larger the buffer the larger the likelihood that the special character and setting of York will be harmed. Stating that at the very least each option against Objective 14 is likely to be (?), in all probability it will be (-) and with option 4 (--)	Disagree. The council considers that its assessment of these options against these objectives is correct.
English Heritage	Spatial Strategy Policy H3	The assessment of this Policy needs to consider each of the sites individually. Given the large number of sites in this Policy, the only general conclusion is that the effect will be uncertain – which does not assist the decision making process.	Noted. It is important to acknowledge that aside from an assessment of the wording of Policy H3 and its subsequent revision within the Draft Local Plan, an assessment of the individual housing sites (and alternatives) has also been conducted (with the subsequent findings presented in Table 5.2 and Appendix H).

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English Heritage	Site ST5 (York Central) against SA Objective 14	Key challenges should include the following: "That part of the site between the City Walls and the railway line is an extremely sensitive area. It is essential that the height of the new buildings in and around the Station are of a scale which will not harm the character or appearance of the Central Historic Core Conservation Area, or detract from the setting of wither the listed buildings in and around the site or those elements which contribute to the significance of the City Walls."	Noted. The assessment of this proposed allocation within the draft Local Plan has concluded against Objective 15 that: Inappropriate development may obscure views of city landmarks such as the Minster or significant elements of the railway infrastructure from within the site and further afield. Key views of the Minster, other major heritage assets and local landmarks should be maintained and enhanced to help orientation and local distinctiveness. Building height and scale needs to be considered on this site as to not obscure any key views of the Minster or potentially significant internal views. Consideration to this character element should also be given where the scale of a building may detract from the visual pre-eminence of the Minster, the setting of the adjacent Central Historic Core Conservation Area or any listed buildings.
English Heritage	ST6 (Land East of Grimston Bar) against SA Objective 14	The response highlights the concerns of the Report of the York Green Belt Local Plan 1994. The response itself states that the development of this site would substantially reduce the gap between the edge of the built-up area and the Ring Road and would adversely affect views towards the city and its rural setting and the rural setting as the gap between the city and the livestock centre will be reduced. The response states this should be assessed as (-) as it is likely to harm one of the key elements that contributes to the special character and setting of York.	Noted. This site is identified as a safeguarded site within the draft Local Plan (SF13). The site has been appraised as a potential alternative strategic site. The effects on landscape and heritage have been recorded as (-), taking into account the findings from the HIA.
English Heritage	ST7 (Land East of Metcalfe Lane) against SA Objective 14	The response highlights the concerns of the Report of the York Green Belt Local Plan 1994. The response states that the development site would substantially reduce the gap between the edge of the built up area and the ring road. It would adversely affect views towards the City and its rural setting. Further reducing the gap between the edge of the city from Murton and erode the rural setting. It should be assessed as (-) as it would harm an element which contributes to special character and setting of York.	Noted. The assessment of the proposed East of Metcalfe Lane allocation has concluded a minor/significant negative effect against Objectives 14 and 15 as informed by the HIA and discussions with CYC Officers.
English Heritage	ST8 (Land north of Monk's Cross)	The response highlights the concerns of the Report of the York Green Belt Local Plan 1994. The response states that the development site would substantially reduce the gap between the edge of the built up area and the ring road. It would adversely affect views	Noted. The assessment of the proposed Monks Cross allocation (ST8) within the draft Local Plan has concluded for Objective 14 that "there are no designated heritage assets within the site but the



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	against SA Objective 14	towards the City and its rural setting. It should be assessed as (--) as it would harm an element which contributes to special character and setting of York.	<p>HIA has identified a high quantity of legible non designated landscape features exist across the site including medieval ridge and furrow, strip fields and post-medieval field boundaries. The ridge and furrow may protect earlier landscape features lying beneath it. It has also identified that there are a number of farmsteads within the site contributing to the agricultural character of the area dating to post 1852. Development of the site which removed the visible inherited historic grain would be detrimental to the area. The loss of the farm is also like to remove the remaining agricultural character from the area.</p> <p>A desk based and geophysical survey undertaken on behalf of the site promoters has confirmed that the site has low archaeological potential. Results of the geophysical survey did not reveal significant anomalies but did confirm medieval farming practices, although ridge and furrow earthworks, where they survive, are of low quality, being largely levelled through more recent ploughing. Further inspection of ridge and furrow on the site should take place to decide which areas merit preservation as part of open space.</p> <p>The Heritage Impact Assessment (2014) has identified potential issues in relation to compactness and landscape and setting. Whilst this site is located within the inner ring-road to would expand the urban boundary outwards, which would increase the distance from the city centre to the edge of the urban area. Given that it is adjacent to the existing communities there is also potential for any development to erode the identity of each area through extension and loss of distinct boundaries and open space. However, it does identify that this size of site has the potential to create a new community within its own</p>

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			identity. Key to addressing this would be to ensure that the masterplanning process incorporates greenspace between the existing settlement edge and any new development to help retain existing identities."
English Heritage	ST10 (Land at Moor Lane, Woodthorpe) against SA Objective 14	The response highlights the concerns of the Report of the York Green Belt Local Plan 1994. The response states that given that little has changed in either character of the part of the city or the purposes of the York Green Belt and the Inspectors' conclusions as to the appropriateness of this area as an allocation appear just as relevant. It should be assessed as (-) as it would harm an element which contributes to special character and setting of York.	Noted. This site has been appraised as part of the draft Local Plan SA Report.
English Heritage	ST11 (Land at New Lane, Huntingdon) against SA Objective 14	This site includes a Roman Camp, which is a Scheduled Monument. There is also a Grade II Listed Building to the west of the area and the response states that the presence of these designated heritage asset should be acknowledged in the accompanying the text. Furthermore the response states that as part of the mitigation the following text should included:  "Before allocating this site it will have to be clearly demonstrated that residential development in this area would not result in harm to elements that contribute to the significance of the Scheduled Monument, including its setting. If, after undertaking this assessment, it is considered appropriate to allocate this area, the need to safeguard those elements which contribute to the significance of this monument needs to be stated in the policy and in its justification"  And  "Proposals would also need to ensure that those elements which contribute to the significance of the Listed Building to the west is not likely to be harmed"	Against Objective 14, the SA has identified that development has the potential to have a detrimental impact on any surviving archaeological deposits and existing landscape features. These include potential Roman artefacts, associated with a temporary Roman camp and loss of medieval and post-medieval ridge and furrow and field boundaries.  The SA Report has identified the need for mitigation including an archaeological evaluation to identify archaeological features on site.
English Heritage	ST14 (Land north of Clifton Moor) against SA Objective 14	The response highlights the concerns of the Report of the York Green Belt Local Plan 1994. This quote highlights that this inspector didn't feel it was just land around the ring road that could be impacted, but also development could impact the special character of York which went beyond it. The response highlights that the site lies in the open countryside beyond the northern ring road and forms part of the rural setting of the city. It states that new development here would change the relationship with the northern edge of York, Skelton and Haxby and threaten the separation between these settlements and the built up city area and alter people's perceptions about the setting of the city within an	Noted, The Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) has identified that there may be minor harm caused to York's compactness through development of a site outside of the ring-road, although it is acknowledged that the ring-road causes separation to the main urban area and creates this as a separate settlement. The HIA has also identified that this area contributes the

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		<p>area of open countryside therefore the site should be assessed as (--) as it would harm the special character and setting of the city.</p>	<p>rural setting of the city. This site has been appraised to have a minor/significant negative impact against Objective 15.</p>
<p>English Heritage</p>	<p>ST15 (Whinthorpe) against SA Objective 14</p>	<p>The response highlights the concerns of the Report of the York Green Belt Local Plan 1994. This quote highlights that this inspector didn't feel it was just land around the ring road that could be impacted, but also development could impact the special character of York which went beyond it. The response highlights that the site lies in the open countryside beyond the ring road and forms part of the rural setting of the city. It states that new development here would change the relationship with the southern edge of York, alter people's perceptions about the setting of the city within an area of open countryside therefore the site should be assessed as (--) as it would harm the special character and setting of the city.</p>	<p>This comment is noted. The SA (as informed by the HIA) has identified that the site will need to implement high quality design within its masterplanning to ensure that there is a positive outcome for architectural design. A poorly designed settlement or quality of building/craftsmanship could have minor harm on York in general. In addition, it is considered that any development which removes visible historic grain would be detrimental to the area. There is an opportunity however, for design to provide a distinctive place that reflects York's existing character whilst also creating an independent identity. In order to masterplan appropriately therefore, the traditional village concept needs to inform the development approach alongside a full landscape strategy to ensure loss or minor harm is minimised.</p> <p>This issue is acknowledged in the additional HIA undertaken by the developers/landowners, which acknowledged that the design, layout and quality of the new settlement would dictate the degree to which it would be considered to enhance or detract from architectural character.</p> <p>The scale of impact on the historic environment will be determined through masterplanning. On balance however, it is considered that this site may cause minor/significant harm to the historic character and setting of York although there are acknowledged opportunities for mitigation and enhancement.</p>

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English Heritage	General Comment about SA	EH strongly advises that conservation and archaeological staff are closely involved in the preparation of the SA	Noted. In producing the SA and individual appraisals of policies, small and strategic sites, due consideration has been made to the HIA and the guidance of CYC Officers.
Natural England	ST10 Land at Moor Lane, Woodthorpe- Appendix 8 of SA	The response states that the SA recognizes the importance of Askham Bog as one of the most botanically diverse sites in the region and nationally important invertebrate fauna. The SA identifies the potential damage as a result of the changes to site hydrology and recreational impacts. Concurs with the view of the SA which concludes that impacts are significantly negative.	This comment is noted.
Natural England	ST15: Whinthorpe New Settlement-	<p>The response identifies, in conjunction with the Site Selection paper (Annex 11) that the proximity of Heslington Tilmire SSSI as a consideration but the SSSI's importance for breeding wetland birds is not recognized as is not the allocation's effect upon the SSSI thoroughly assessed.</p> <p>The response further states that neither the SA nor other documents contain sufficient evidence to undertake the weighting of adverse effects versus the benefits of the new settlement in this location.</p> <p>Further on in the response it concludes given the lack of assessment within the SA and a through a lack of consideration of alternative NE advises the current draft of the SA does not comply with the requirements of the SEA Directive. It states that Article 5(1) of the SEA Directive outlines that 'the likely significant effects on the environment of implementing the plan or programme, and reasonable alternatives taking into account the objectives and the geographical scope of the plan or programme should be identified, described and evaluated.' It also states the rationale of each option should also be clearly recorded and the environmental report must include' an outline of reasons for selecting the alternatives.</p>	<p>Noted. The SA of the draft Local Plan has been informed by an assessment of additional information pertaining to the potential for adverse effects on sites of nature conservation value. It is considered that the current and previous SA Report is in compliance with the requirements of the SEA Directive.</p> <p>The findings of the site appraisals of proposed allocated sites are included within Table 5.2. Full appraisals are included within Appendix 11 and appraisals of the Reasonable Alternatives are included in Appendix 12.</p> <p>The Council has identified that there were no appropriate alternatives to Whinthorpe which could deliver a stand-alone settlement without compromising the Spatial Shapers of the City (the character and setting of the City, green infrastructure, flood risk and transport) previously identified and consulted upon through the Core Strategy process and Preferred Options Local Plan. Whilst there are no other single sites which have been identified or considered to be a viable alternative to Whinthorpe, a combination of other strategic sites could provide the growth equivalent to that proposed at Whinthorpe. However no configuration of alternative sites has been determined that would be able to provide the</p>

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			<p>same range and scale of sustainability benefits that the single settlement can provide.</p> <p>The development of individual sites to meet future growth requirements may themselves have a range of positive and negative effects, depending on site size, location, existing character and the nature of proposed development. The selection of the sites proposed in the draft Local Plan reflect the application of criteria that have embodied the sustainable location principles contained in SS1 (and more broadly the requirements of the NPPF), and in consequence, are collectively considered to reflect the most sustainable way to meet future growth. Where potentially negative effects have been identified, the majority of these could be mitigated through the application of draft Local Plan policies and at the individual planning application stage, when detailed design and mitigation measures will also be considered (such as site layout, design and access and the incorporation of ecological enhancement measures.</p>
Natural England	ACHM3: Gypsy, Traveller and Showpeople Allocations	This refers to sites which have been identified at Common Lane and Hassacarr Lane, Dunington. The responses states that the council, before allocating the site must be satisfied that less environmentally sensitive areas are not available. Further stating that the close proximity and accessibility of the site mitigation to prevent significant effects may not be possible and it may be preferable to relocate the allocation rather than compensate for ecological value and this should be explored in the SA.	Noted. The two sites referenced by Natural England have not been taken forward through Policy H6 of the draft Local Plan.
Natural England	CC1:Supporting Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Generation	Part ii of the policy states that a positive response will be made to renewable energy application within areas of search on the proposals map. Although this is welcomed by NE, there is limited assessment of their ecological effects within the SA and HRA to support their identification. Without such assessments these areas of search are not justified and unsound.	The comment is noted. It is important to acknowledge that the SA is one of a number of assessments that the Council has considered in finalising their policy proposals. The purpose of the SA Report is to provide an appraisal of the likely sustainability effects of the draft Local Plan and where appropriate to propose measures to mitigate any significant adverse effects and measure to enhance positive



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			outcomes. The information is provided to support those potentially affected by the draft Local Plan to understand the implications and to make an informed contribution to the consultation which in turn will help the Council make a Local Plan that is sound, justified, effective and consistent with national policy. In undertaking this requirement, the Council must also incorporate the requirements of the European Union Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment, referred to as the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Directive.'
Natural England	Policy GI1 Green Infrastructure	Natural England welcomes this policy which highlights the multifunctional benefits of green infrastructure.	This comment is noted.
Natural England	Policy GI7	Natural England supports this policy. However, sites recognised for their bird interest are especially sensitive to disturbance and this should be recognised. Increased levels of access should be managed according to the nature conservation protection status and sensitivity.	Noted. Consideration of the potential impacts associated with development on sites such as Heslington Thilmire SSSI has been afforded consideration within the SA and HRA. Where appropriate, mitigation measures have been suggested.
Environment Agency	Section 3: Spatial Vision and Objectives	The response states that neither water resources nor water quality are addressed in the preferred approach with no reference to the Water Framework Directive and to protect the deterioration of the water environment. 3.21 bullet point is suggested to have 'Safeguard water resources and to protect and improve water quality with an overall aim of getting waterbodies to 'good' status under the Water Framework Directive'. The response further states by including this strategic bullet point will help to support the very likely compatible impact for SA objective 10- improve water efficiency and quality.	This comment which refers directly to the preferred options Local Plan is noted.
Environment Agency	Section 4: Sustainable Development	Again referring to SA 10 (Appendix 6) the water environment is not mentioned in the preferred approach, the EA believe there has been an opportunity missed, currently it is identified that 'No significant effect or clear link' but they believe this assessment could achieve 'likely positive impact for environmental objective 10 by not having a policy related to the conservation and monitoring of the water environment.	This comment which refers directly to the preferred options Local Plan is noted.

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Environment Agency	Figure 2.3 Relevant Plans and Programmes	Regionally- Missing the Humber River Basin Management Plan (2009), the response highlights the Water Framework Directive and its obligation to manage the water environment to a consistent standard.  Locally- The City of York Council's Surface Water Management Plan (2012) missed from the local evidence base. This is the basis for the Local Flood Risk Strategy. The response also brings attention to the River Ouse Flood Risk Management Strategy is not a statutory document and was not formally approved by the EA or the Council and it should be omitted.	Noted. The Plans and Programmes Appendix and baseline sections of the SA report have been amended to include these plans.
Environment Agency	Paragraph 2.5.53	This fails to acknowledge flooding from surface water and focus on fluvial sources. CYC's Surface Water Management should be referenced.	Noted. It is assumed that the correct reference to the SA Report is 2.3.53. The baseline section of the draft Local Plan SA Report has been updated accordingly.
Environment Agency	Paragraph 2.3.51	An EA document 'Swale, Ure, Nidd and Upper Ouse CAMS' (2004 is used, but this has been out-dated by a Feb 2013 version, and should be used. Similar although this is mentioned it is not summarized in Figure 2.13	Noted. Thank you for highlighting this, the correct iteration of the CAMS has been reviewed and the baseline section updated accordingly.
Environment Agency	Figure 2.13	The Humber River Basin Management Plan pulled together to form this figure, but the stand alone data is not explained nor does it give any context into how it fits into the baseline data and its relevance to the improvement of water quality.  Also on the 3rd row of the table they ask for further clarification on data for the Derwent Humber as to their knowledge, there is no such catchment called the Humber RMBP	Noted. This baseline text has been revisited and updated accordingly.
Environment Agency	Paragraph 2.3.43	The EA highlight that confusingly water resources is mentioned in this paragraph but without referring to 'Swale, Ure, Nidd and Upper Ouse CAMS'  There are three assessment points to measure CAMS, with the most significant being Naburn as it is identified as having 'restricted water available' licensing. The EA feel this key issue has been missed off the baseline for this paragraph as a bullet point states that 'water resources is not likely to have significant effect on York as the household consumption has been built into Yorkshire Water's model.' This should be discussed and clarified in the baseline due to the effects of climate change.	Agreed, the baseline text has been amended accordingly.
Environment Agency	Paragraph 2.3.53	The baseline data is quite poor as it is not based on facts or evidence other than a history of flooding at the River Ouse. Looking at Appendix 3 there is no acknowledgment of the River Foss, River Derwent, ordinary watercourses, tidal influences, groundwater nor	Agreed. The baseline text has been updated to reflect the findings of the 2013 SFRA.

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		<p>surface water. The SFRA 2013 needs to be acknowledged. Strengthening the Baseline will improve the Flood risk Local Plan policies.</p> <p>Highlights the indicators are poor as they are not influenced by development- should be one to identify critical infrastructure at risk, number of properties signed up to flood warning and surface water indicators.</p>	<p>The indicators as presented are indicative at this stage. Future refinement may result in indicators being developed in accordance with these proposals.</p>
North Yorkshire County Council: Business and Environmental Services	Page 54	<p>The 'assessment methodology' for the strategic sites is complicated and could be merit in providing further explanatory text.</p> <p>Further explanation of objective 13 (flood risk). Scoring for the objective seems fine it treats all development as equally vulnerable to flooding when in fact it varies according to the Technical Guidance that accompanies the NPPF.</p> <p>Suggest that some text is included in relation to table 3.7 to show assessment is not a replacement for the sequential test but considered alongside it.</p>	<p>Noted. Details of the assessment methodology are summarised within Section 4 of the draft Local Plan SA Report.</p> <p>The approach to assessing flood risk has been amended for the assessment of the draft Local Plan. Those sites identified as being within flood zone 3a have been appraised as having a significant negative effect against Objective 13, whilst those sites within flood zone 2 have been assessed as having a minor negative effect.</p>
North Yorkshire County Council: Business and Environmental Services	Page 58	<p>Assessment of vision and objectives for compatibility with the SA objectives looks broadly accurate, however it states there maybe some merit in upgrading the scoring for compatibility between 'improve air quality...' and 'natural environment', at least to 'I'. As aspects of the natural environment/greenspaces play a regulatory in improving air quality.</p>	<p>Noted. The assessment of the draft Local Plan Vision and Objectives has been revisited and amended accordingly.</p>
North Yorkshire County Council: Business and Environmental Services	Page 327	<p>They agree that impacts on health will be identified under the Joint Plan SA (well-being and safety should also be considered). The current Joint Plan SA Scoping Report does not state a formal Health Impact Assessment will be undertaken as suggested in the assessment table. So the summary on page 327 should be updated in line with Joint Plan SA when it is finalized.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>



# Appendix C

## Review of Plans and Programmes

Key Objectives relevant to plan and SA	Key Targets and Indicators relevant to the plan and SA	Implications for the Plan	Implications for SA
<b>INTERNATIONAL/EUROPEAN CONTEXT</b>			
<b>United Nations (2016) The Paris Agreement</b>			
Agreed by all UNFCCC signatory countries, the Paris Agreement will enter into force once ratified by signatories responsible for the equivalent of 55% of global greenhouse gas emissions. The Agreement's main aim is to keep a global temperature rise this century "well below" 2 degrees Celsius and to drive efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels. Additionally, the agreement aims to strengthen climate change adaptation efforts.	No targets or indicators of direct relevance to the Local Plan  The main climate change mitigation delivery mechanism is the submission of five yearly Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) by all signatories with a steadily increasing ambition in the long term. The UK's NDC has not yet been set however is likely to align with statutory carbon budgets required under the Climate Change Act (2008).	Plan policies to support overall objectives	Check that the commitments are reflected in the sustainability appraisal framework
<b>The Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development</b>			
States a commitment to building a humane, equitable and caring global society	Key commitments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sustainable production and consumption</li> <li>• Renewable energy and energy efficiency</li> <li>• Produce chemicals in ways that do not lead to significant adverse effects on human health and the environment</li> <li>• Develop integrated water resources management and water efficiency plans by 2005</li> </ul>	Plan policies to support overall objectives	Check that the commitments are reflected in the sustainability appraisal framework
<b>UN (1997) Kyoto Climate Change Protocol</b>			
Established to limit the emissions of greenhouse gases	Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 5% of 1990 levels by 2008-12 UK has an agreement to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 12.5% below 1990 levels by 2008-12 and a national goal to a 20% reduction in carbon dioxide emissions below 1990 levels by 2010	Consider how the plan can contribute to the objectives and targets of the protocol	Check that the requirements of the protocol are reflected in the sustainability appraisal framework
<b>UN (1946) UN Convention on Human Rights</b>			
Details the basic civil and political rights of individuals and nations	The rights of an individual to: Legal recourse when their rights have been violated, even if the violator was acting in an official capacity The right to privacy and protection of privacy by law Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association	Ensure the plan does not violate any human rights	Ensure the SA does not violate any human rights
<b>UN (2011) The Cancun Agreement</b>			
Shared vision to keep global temperature rise to below two degrees Celsius, with objectives to be reviewed as to whether it needs to be strengthened	No targets or indicators	The Local Plan should aim to reduce emissions	The SA assessment framework should include greenhouse emissions



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in future on the basis of the best scientific knowledge available,			
<b>European Union (EU) (97) European Spatial Development Perspective (97/150/EC)</b>			
Based on the EU aim of achieving a balanced and sustainable development, in particular by strengthening economic and social cohesion	Economic and social cohesion Conservation of natural resources and cultural heritage More balanced competitiveness of the European To achieve more spatially balanced development, these goals must be pursued simultaneously in all regions of the EU and their interactions taken into account territory	The Local Plan policies should provide a sustainable spatial vision	Check that objectives are reflected in sustainability appraisal framework
<b>EU (2011) A Resource- Efficient Europe- Flagship Initiative Under the Europe 2020 Strategy, Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions (COM 2011/21)</b>			
This flagship initiative aims to create a framework for policies to support the shift towards a resource-efficient and low carbon economy which will help to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Boost economic performance while reducing resource use;</li> <li>➤ Identify and create new opportunities for economic growth and greater innovation and boost the EU's competitiveness</li> <li>➤ Ensure security of supply of essential resources; and</li> <li>➤ Fight against climate change and limit the environmental impacts of resource use</li> </ul>	Each Member State has a target calculated according to the share of energy from renewable sources in its gross final consumption for 2020. The UK is required to source 15% of energy needs.	The Local Plan policies should take into account the objectives of the Flagship Initiative.	The SA assessment framework should include objectives, indicators and targets that relate to resource use.
<b>EU (1992) Directive on the Conservation of Natural Habitats of Wild Fauna and Flora (92/43/EEC)</b>			
Member states are required to take legislative and administrative measures to maintain and restore natural habitats and wild species at a favourable conservation status in the community.  An assessment of the impact and implications of any plan or project that is likely to have a significant impact on a designated site.	No targets.	The Local Plan policies should protect and enhance habitats and conservation in the City of York area	The SA will take into account the conservation status of areas in the City of York and will seek to identify measures to further maintain and restore natural habitats
<b>EU (2009) European Directive on the Conservation of Wild Birds (09/147/EC) (codified version of Council Directive 79/409/EEC as amended)</b>			
Member States have a duty to sustain populations of naturally occurring wild birds by sustaining areas of habitats in order to maintain populations at ecologically and scientifically sound levels. This applies to birds, their eggs, nests and habitats.	No targets.	Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	The SA will consider the impacts of the Local Plan on wild bird populations. The requirements of the Directive should be reflected in the SA framework.
<b>EU (1991) European Directive on Nitrates</b>			
Reducing water pollution caused or induced by nitrates from agricultural sources; and Prevent further such pollution	Provides for the identification of vulnerable areas.	Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	Check that the requirements of the Directive are reflected in the Sustainability Framework

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<b>EU (2000) European Directive Water Framework (2000/60/EC)</b>			
Enhance waterways and wetlands throughout Europe Make sure we use water in a sustainable way Reduce groundwater pollution Lessen the effects of floods and droughts Protect and restore aquatic ecosystem. Requires the Environment Agency to prepare and publish River Basin Management Plans (RBMPs) by 2009 to promote sustainable water management	Requires all inland and coastal waters to reach "good status" by 2015.	Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	The SA will include objectives for water quality and ecological status of inland water bodies and supply issues.
<b>EU (2007) Floods Directive (2007/60/EC)</b>			
Aims to provide a consistent approach to managing flood risk across Europe	The approach is based on a 6 year cycle of planning which includes the publication of Preliminary Flood Risk Assessments, hazard and risk maps and flood risk management plans. The Directive is transposed into English law by the Flood Risk Regulations 2009.	Local Plan should recognise that development can impact vulnerability to flooding and increase risk due to climate change.	Ensure the SA Framework considers flood risk.
<b>EU (2008) European Directive Waste Framework (Directive 75/442/EEC, 2006/12/EC 2008/98/EC as amended)</b>			
Waste is to be disposed of without causing danger to humans, the environment, the countryside or places of interest Noise and odour to be minimised	Promotes the development of clean technology to process waste, promoting recycling and re-use.  The Directive contains a range of provision including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Setting up separate collections of waste for the relevant recycling sectors</li> <li>➢ To increase the re-use and recycling of waste materials from households to a minimum of 50% by weight in 2020</li> <li>➢ To increase the re-use, recycling and other material recovery of non-hazardous construction and demolition waste to a minimum of 70% by weight by 2020.</li> </ul>	Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	Check that the requirements of the Directive are reflected in the Sustainability Framework
<b>EU (2001) European Directive EIA (97/11/E)</b>			
Requires assessment of the effect of certain public and private projects on the environment	<input type="checkbox"/> No targets	Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	Ensure that 'appropriate assessments' are carried out for sites in locations where development could negatively impact on the environment
<b>EU (2001) European SEA Directive (2001/42/EC)</b>			
Ensure that environmental consequences of certain plans and programmes are identified and assessed during their preparation and before their adoption		Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	Ensure that 'appropriate assessments' are carried out for sites in locations where development could negatively impact on the environment
<b>World Commission on Environment and Development (1987) Our Common Future (The Brundtland Report)</b>			
The Brundtland Report is concerned with the world's economy and its environment. The objective is to provide an expanding and sustainable economy	The report issued a multitude of recommendations with the aim of attaining sustainable development and addressing the problems posed by a global economy that is intertwined with the environment	The Brundtland Report provided the original definition of sustainable development. The accumulated	The accumulated effect of the SA objectives seek to achieve sustainable development





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while protecting a sustainable environment.		effect of the Plan policies seek to achieve sustainable development	
<b>EU (2001) European Directive Energy Performance of Buildings (2001/91/EC)</b>			
To promote the improvement of the energy performance of buildings within the community, taking into account outdoor climatic and local conditions, as well as indoor climate requirements and cost-effectiveness		Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	Ensure that the requirements are reflected in the Sustainability Appraisal Framework
<b>EU (2006) European Employment Strategy</b>			
Seeks to engender full employment, quality of work and increased productivity as well as the promotion of inclusion by addressing disparities in access to labour markets	No targets	Plan Policies to support these aims	The SA assessment framework should assess employment levels, quality of work and social inclusion
<b>EU (2002) Environmental Noise Directive (2002/49/EC)</b>			
Monitor the environmental problem by drawing up strategic noise maps Informing and consulting the public about noise exposure, its effects and the measures considered to address noise Addressing local noise issues by requiring Local Authorities to draw up action plans to reduce noise where necessary and maintain environmental noise where it is good Developing a long term EU strategy	Permissible power sound levels are listed	The Local Plan will have to comply with Noise Action Plans	The SA objectives should address noise reduction
<b>EU (2008) Air Quality Framework Directive (2008/50/EC) and previous directives (96/62/EC; 99/30/EC &amp; 2002/3/EC)</b>			
Establishes mandatory standards for air quality Make information on air quality available to the public  The relevant objectives include:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain ambient air quality where it is good and improve it in other cases; and</li> <li>Maintain ambient-air quality where it is good and improve it in other cases with respect to sulphur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide and oxides of nitrogen, particulate matter and lead</li> </ul>	No targets or indicators.  Includes thresholds for pollutants.	Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	The SA should include objectives for air quality and ensure that the requirements of the Directive are reflected in the SA framework
<b>EU (1999) Directive 1999/30EC Limit Values for SO<sub>2</sub>, Nox, PM<sub>10</sub> and Lead (1999/30EC)</b>			
Establishes limit values for sulphur and nitrogen dioxide, suspended particulates and lead in air Up to date ambient concentrations of each are to be made available to the public	The Directive sets out limits on emissions.	The Local Plan should consider the potential that development may contribute to air pollution	The SA should include objectives for air quality
<b>United Nations Environment (2003) Pan-European Biological and Landscape Diversity Strategy</b>			



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An innovative and proactive approach to stop and reverse the degradation of biological and landscape diversity values in Europe	No specific targets Strategy to introduce a coordinating and unifying framework for strengthening and building on existing initiatives. The strategy will assess the strengths and weaknesses of existing initiatives and promotes practical action where there is a lack of suitable instruments or where existing mechanisms are not implemented to their full potential	Local Plan policies should conserve and enhance biodiversity	The SA will consider biodiversity in accordance with the guidance
<b>The UN Economic Commission for Europe Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (2008) Aarhus Convention</b>			
Establishes a number of rights of the public (citizens and their associations) with regard to the environment. Public authorities (at national, regional or local level) are to contribute to allowing these rights to become effective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The right of everyone to receive environmental information that is held by public organizations</li> <li>Public authorities are obliged to actively disseminate environmental information in their possession</li> <li>The right to participate from an early stage in environmental decision-making</li> </ul> <p>The right to challenge, in a court of law, public decisions that have been made without respecting the two aforementioned rights or environmental law in general</p>	Production of Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)	Production of Sustainability Report in consultation with relevant organisations in accordance with Government Guidance and the Statement of Community Involvement
<b>EU (2006) European Sustainable Development Strategy (ESDS)</b>			
Achieving sustainable development requires economic growth that supports social progress and respects the environment. The strategy argues that in the long term economic growth, social cohesion and environmental protection must go hand in hand.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The main aims of the strategy are (there are no specific targets):</li> <li>To limit climate change and increase the use of clean energy</li> <li>To address threats to public health</li> <li>To manage natural resources more responsibly</li> <li>To improve the transport system and land-use management</li> </ul>	Local Plan policies should provide a sustainable spatial vision and reflect the aim of this strategy	The SA will consider long term sustainability in accordance with guidance on this issue
<b>EU (1999) Landfill Directive 99/31/EC</b>			
The Directive's overall aim is to prevent or reduce as far as possible negative effects on the environment, in particular the pollution of surface water, groundwater, soil and air, and on the global environment, including the greenhouse effect, as well as any risk to human health, from the land filling of waste.	The Directive sets targets to reduce the amount of biodegradable municipal waste landfilled. These targets are: By 2010 to reduce biodegradable municipal waste landfilled to 75% of that produced in 1995; By 2013 to reduce biodegradable municipal waste landfilled to 50% of that produced in 1995 and by 2020 to reduce biodegradable municipal waste landfilled to 35% of that produced in 1995.	Plan policies to support overall objectives and requirements of the Directive	The SA should include objectives for waste management and ensure that the requirements of the Directive are reflected in the SA framework
<b>United Nations Millennium Declaration (2000)</b>			

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<p>From this declaration there were 8 Millennium Development goals that bind countries to do more and join forces in the fight against poverty, illiteracy, hunger, lack of education, gender inequality, child and maternal mortality, disease and environmental degradation.</p>	<p>Targets: By 2015 all 191 UN Members states have pledged to meet these goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Halve the proportion of people living on less than a dollar a day and those who suffer from hunger</li> <li>• Ensure all boys and girls complete primary school</li> <li>• Eliminate gender disparities in primary and secondary education by preferably by 2005 and at all levels by 2015</li> <li>• Reduce by two thirds the mortality rate among children under five</li> <li>• Reduce by three quarters the ratio of women dying in childbirth</li> <li>• Halt and begin to reverse the spread of HIV/AIDS and the incidence of malaria and other major diseases</li> <li>• Integrate the principles of sustainable development into country policies and programmes and reverse the loss of environmental resources</li> <li>• Reduce by half the proportion of people without access to safe drinking water</li> <li>• By 2020, achieve significant improvement in the lives of at least 100 million slum dwellers.</li> </ul>	<p>Many of these details are incorporated into national strategies and policy guidance which should be taken into account in the Local Plan.</p>	<p>The SA should have regard for the goals set out and aim to help work towards the targets.</p>
<p><b>Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Importance, especially waterfowl habitat (1971)</b></p>			
<p>The convention on wetlands, signed in Ramsar, Iran is an intergovernmental treaty which provides the framework for national action and international co-operation for the conservation and wise use of wetlands and their resources. There are currently 138 Contracting Parties to the Convention, with 1368 wetland sites. More recently the convention has broadened its scope to recognise that wetlands as ecosystems are extremely important for biodiversity conservation in general and for the well being of human communities.</p>	<p>The convention makes the following commitments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Article 2: Signatories will designate wetland sites to be included in the list of wetlands of international importance and promote conservation and wise use of these</li> <li>• Article 3: Under the Convention there is an obligation for Contracting parties to include wetland conservation considerations in their national land-use planning.</li> <li>• Article 4: Contracting parties have also undertaken to establish nature reserves in wetlands, whether or not they are included in the Ramsar list, and they are also expected to promote training in the fields of wetland research, management and stewardship.</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan must account for areas that are designated wetland sites.</p>	<p>The SA framework should include objectives and site appraisal criteria to protect and enhance biodiversity.</p>
<p><b>EU (2009) Renewable Energy Directive (2009/28/EC)</b></p>			
<p>This Directive builds upon a previous directive which set targets for renewable energy production. The Directive requires each member state to increase its share of renewable energies - such as solar, wind or hydro - in the bloc's energy mix to raise the overall share from 8.5% today to 20% by 2020. A 10% share of 'green fuels' in transport is also included within the overall EU target</p>	<p>Target: Each Member state should increase its share of renewables by 5.5% on 2005 levels. For the UK this is an increase from 1.3 to 15%.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should encourage the production of renewable energy.</p>	<p>The SA framework should include objectives relating to promoting renewable energy generation.</p>
<p><b>EU (2010) the Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU)</b></p>			

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<p>This Directive is the main EU instrument regulating pollutant emissions from industrial installations, and it amends the Waste Incineration Directive accordingly. The Directive prescribes emission limit values for certain industrial processes/plants including waste incineration, requires other emissions limit values to be based on Best Available Techniques (BAT), and introduces detailed technical and consultation requirements for permitting processes.</p>	<p>The Directive sets emission limit values for substances that are harmful to air or water.</p>	<p>Whilst industrial emissions are regulated through separate environmental permitting processes, to ensure that policies and site allocations regarding industrial development accord with this directive/</p>	<p>The SA framework should include objectives and site appraisal criteria to reduce to an acceptable level and/or avoid air and water pollution.</p>
<p><b>EU (2011) EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2020-towards implementation</b></p>			
<p>The aim of the strategy is to halt the loss of biodiversity and ecosystems services in the EU by 2020.</p> <p>The strategy provides a framework for action over the next decade and covers the following key areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conserving and restoring nature</li> <li>Maintaining and enhancing ecosystems and their services</li> <li>Ensuring the sustainability of agricultural, forestry and fisheries</li> <li>Combating invasive alien species</li> <li>Addressing the global biodiversity crisis</li> </ul>	<p>There are six main targets and 20 actions to help Europe reach its goal. The targets cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full implementation of EU nature legislation to protect biodiversity</li> <li>Better protection for ecosystems, and more use of green infrastructure</li> <li>More sustainable agriculture and forestry</li> <li>Better management of fish stocks</li> <li>Tighter controls on invasive alien species</li> <li>A bigger EU contribution to averting global biodiversity loss</li> </ul>	<p>The Plan should seek to protect and enhance biodiversity</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include objectives related to biodiversity.</p>
<p><b>European Landscape Convention Florence 2000 (became binding March 2007)</b></p>			
<p>The ELC defines landscape as: "An area, as perceived by people, whose character is the result of the action and interaction of natural and/or human factors." (Council of Europe 2000) The definition applies to the whole territory of states including all urban and periurban landscapes, towns, villages and rural areas, the coast and inland areas. It applies to ordinary or even degraded landscape as well as those areas that are outstanding or protected. Furthermore the ELC argues that the protection, management and planning of all landscapes in Europe is a task not just for governments but for all sectors of civil society, entailing 'rights and responsibilities for everyone'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>raising awareness of the value of landscapes among all sectors of society, and of society's role in shaping them;</li> <li>promoting landscape training and education among landscape specialists, other related professions, and in school and university courses;</li> <li>the identification and assessment of landscapes, and analysis of landscape change, with the active participation of stakeholders;</li> <li>setting objectives for landscape quality, with the involvement of the public;</li> <li>the implementation of landscape policies, through the establishment of plans and practical programmes.</li> </ul>	<p>This convention has been translated into different UK legislation which the Local Plan should take account of.</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include objectives related to landscape management and protection.</p>
<p><b>European Convention on the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage (Revised) (Valetta Convention, 1995)</b></p>			
<p>The new text makes the conservation and enhancement of the archaeological heritage one of</p>	<p>This convention aims for the recognition and protection of archaeological and heritage assets.</p>	<p>This legislation has been translated into British legislation</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include objectives related to archaeological</p>

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<p>the goals of urban and regional planning policies. It is concerned in particular with arrangements to be made for co-operation among archaeologists and town and regional planners in order to ensure optimum conservation of archaeological heritage. The Convention sets guidelines for the funding of excavation and research work and publication of research findings. It also deals with public access, in particular to archaeological sites, and educational actions to be undertaken to develop public awareness of the value of the archaeological heritage.</p> <p>Finally, the Convention constitutes an institutional framework for pan-European co-operation on the archaeological heritage, entailing a systematic exchange of experience and experts among the various States. The Committee responsible for monitoring the application of the Convention assumes the role of strengthening and co-ordinating archaeological heritage policies in Europe.</p>		<p>which is taken in board by the Core Strategy</p>	<p>heritage protection.</p>
<p><b>EU (2014) EU 2030 Framework for Climate and Energy Policies</b></p>			
<p>The 2030 framework updates the 2020 EU Climate &amp; Energy Package to set new, more ambitious climate and energy targets for the year 2030.</p>	<p>The headline commitments in the framework are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A binding EU target of at least 40% domestic reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 compared to 1990 (i.e. without the use of international carbon trading);</li> <li>• A binding EU target of at least 27% of all energy consumed to come from renewable energy consumed in 2030; and</li> <li>• An indicative target at the EU level of at least 27% improvement in energy efficiency.</li> </ul> <p>These new commitments are intended to dovetail with the existing EU 2020 Climate &amp; Energy Package detailed above.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should contribute towards greater energy efficiency and increasing the proportion of energy from renewable energy sources where appropriate.</p>	<p>The SA assessment framework should include consideration of energy efficiency and renewable energy generation.</p>
<p><b>EU (2015) 'Closing the loop - An EU Action Plan for the Circular Economy' policy package</b></p>			
<p>This document sets out actions to implement the European Commission's long term vision of significantly reducing waste landfilling and increasing recycling.</p>	<p>This Action Plan identifies a need to increase the deployment Energy from Waste facilities in order to recover value from non-recyclable materials and avoid landfilling.</p>	<p>Local Plan policies should seek to minimise waste, and the environmental effects caused by it. Policies should promote recycling and re-use.</p>	<p>SA Objectives should include priorities to minimise waste, increased recycling and re-use.</p>
<p><b>EU (2106) EU Seventh Environmental Action Plan (covers up to 2020)</b></p>			
<p>The EU's objectives in implementing the programme are:</p>	<p>No targets or indicators.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should contribute to the achievement of the Action Plan.</p>	<p>The SA framework should include objectives and site appraisal criteria to protect and enhance the natural</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to protect, conserve and enhance the Union's natural capital;</li> <li>to turn the Union into a resource efficient, green and competitive low carbon economy;</li> <li>to safeguard the Union's citizens from environment-related pressures and risks to health and wellbeing;</li> <li>to maximise the benefits of the Union's environment legislation;</li> <li>to improve the evidence base for environment policy;</li> <li>to secure investment for environment and climate policy and get the prices right;</li> <li>to improve environmental integration and policy coherence;</li> <li>to enhance the sustainability of the Union's cities;</li> <li>to increase the Union's effectiveness in confronting regional and global environmental challenges</li> </ul>			environment, improve health outcomes, address climate change mitigation and adaptation, and promote energy efficiency.
<b>NATIONAL CONTEXT</b>			
<b>HM Government (2005) UK Sustainable Development Strategy "Securing the Future"</b>			
Four Aims of the 1999 strategy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social progress that recognises the needs of everyone</li> <li>Effective protection of the environment</li> <li>Prudent use of natural resources</li> <li>Maintenance of high and stable levels of economic growth and employment</li> </ul> These have now been strengthened through the review of the strategy incorporating a framework to enhance the achievement of the original aims.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sets out a number of key indicators.</li> </ul> The framework has a set of overarching principles. These principles will form the basis for policy in the UK. For a policy to be sustainable it must respect all five of these principles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Living within environmental limits</li> <li>Ensuring a strong, healthy and just society</li> <li>Achieving a sustainable economy</li> <li>Promoting good governance</li> </ul> Using sound science responsibly	Plan policies should support the aims of the strategy Provide a sustainable spatial vision. Provide sustainable spatial policies	The strategy will provide guidance and inform the whole SA process The indicators may be included in the SA and inform baseline data and monitoring Incorporate relevant indicators into monitoring where appropriate
<b>DCLG (2012) National Planning Policy Framework</b>			
The National Planning Policy Framework sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied. It replaces all previous planning policies set out in PSS and PPGs. It sets out the Government's requirements for the planning system only to the extent that it is relevant, proportionate and necessary to do so. It provides a framework within which local people and their accountable councils can produce their own	The NPPF recognises that there are three dimensions to sustainable development: economic, social and environmental. These dimensions give rise to the need for the planning system to perform a number of roles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>an economic role</b> – contributing to building a strong, responsive and competitive economy, by ensuring that sufficient land of the right type is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth and innovation; and by identifying and coordinating development requirements, including the provision of infrastructure;</li> </ul>	The NPPF sets out the requirements for the Local Plan. This is the main reference terms of national planning policy and procedure, which should be adhered to.	The NPPF reiterates the need to be compliant with the SEA regulations during the production of a Local Plan. It sets out the parameters for planning in the future. It also sets out a definition for sustainable development and what it means in the NPPF.



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<p>distinctive local and neighbourhood plans, which reflect the needs and priorities of their communities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>a social role</b> – supporting strong, vibrant and healthy communities, by providing the supply of housing required to meet the needs of present and future generations; and by creating a high quality built environment, with accessible local services that reflect the community's needs and support its health, social and cultural well-being; and</li> <li>• <b>an environmental role</b> – contributing to protecting and enhancing our natural, built and historic environment; and, as part of this, helping to improve biodiversity, use natural resources prudently, minimise waste and pollution, and mitigate and adapt to climate change including moving to a low carbon economy.</li> </ul>		
<b>DCLG (2014) Planning Practice Guidance</b>			
<p>Planning Practice Guidance is designed to support the NPPF. It reflects the objectives of the NPPF which are not repeated here.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No formal targets identified.</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should reflect the Planning Practice Guidance.</p>	
<b>DCLG (2014) National Planning Policy for Waste</b>			
<p>Sets out detailed waste planning policies for local authorities. States that planning authorities need to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use a proportionate evidence base in preparing Local Plans</li> <li>• Identify sufficient opportunities to meet the identified needs of their area for the management of waste streams</li> <li>• Identify suitable sites and areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The overall objective of the policy is to provide sustainable development by protecting the environment and human health by producing less waste and by using it as a resource wherever possible.</li> </ul>	<p>Local Plan should consider opportunities to reduce waste and encourage recycling and composting e.g. integration of recycling and composting facilities into new development and use of recycled materials in new buildings.</p>	<p>SA Framework should consider objectives which relate to re-use, recycle and reduce.</p>
<b>DCLG (2015) Planning Policy for Traveller Sites</b>			
<p>This document sets out the Government's planning policy for traveller sites. It identifies the following aims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• that local planning authorities should make their own assessment of need for the purposes of planning</li> <li>• to ensure that local planning authorities, working collaboratively, develop fair and effective strategies to meet need through the identification of land for sites</li> <li>• to encourage local planning authorities to plan for sites over a reasonable timescale</li> <li>• that plan-making and decision-taking should protect Green Belt from inappropriate development</li> <li>• to promote more private traveller site</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No formal targets are identified</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan Part 2 will need to make appropriate provision for traveller sites, in accordance with national planning policy having regards to local evidence.</p>	<p>SA Framework should include a specific guide question relating to provision for travellers.</p>

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<p>provision while recognising that there will always be those travellers who cannot provide their own sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>that plan-making and decision-taking should aim to reduce the number of unauthorised developments and encampments and make enforcement more effective</li> <li>for local planning authorities to ensure that their Local Plan includes fair, realistic and inclusive policies</li> <li>to increase the number of traveller sites in appropriate locations with planning permission, to address under provision and maintain an appropriate level of supply</li> <li>to reduce tensions between settled and traveller communities in plan making and planning decisions</li> <li>to enable provision of suitable accommodation from which travellers can access education, health, welfare and employment infrastructure</li> <li>for local planning authorities to have due regard to the protection of local amenity and local environment.</li> </ul>			
<b>DCLG (2017) Fixing our broken housing market</b>			
<p>The document sets out the Government's intention to address issues in housing supply and delivery by (inter alia) introducing a number of changes to the planning system. The first chapter concentrates on measures for "planning for the right homes in the right places." Proposals include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Further consultation on changing the NPPF to direct local authorities to prepare a statement of common ground, setting out how they intend to work together to meet housing requirements that cut across authority boundaries.</li> <li>Enabling spatial development strategies produced by new combined authorities or elected Mayors to allocate strategic sites for development.</li> </ul>	No formal targets are identified	The Local Plan needs to reflect the proposals set out in the document.	The SA Framework should include an objective/guide questions which encourages the supply of housing to help enable sufficient delivery to meets the needs of the community.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further consultation on changing the NPPF to introduce a standardised approach for local authorities in assessing housing requirements.</li> <li>• Introducing legislation to allow locally accountable New Towns Development Corporations to be set up in order to better support new garden towns and villages.</li> <li>• Revising the NPPF to make clear that plans and development proposals should make “efficient use of land and avoid building homes at low densities.”</li> </ul> <p>The “building homes faster” chapter includes proposals to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amend the NPPF to give local authorities the opportunity to have their housing land supply agreed on an annual basis and fixed for a one year period, in order to create more certainty about when an adequate land supply exists.</li> <li>• Increase nationally set planning fees, and consult further on allowing authorities that are performing well on housing delivery to increase fees further.</li> <li>• Publish a further consultation on introducing a fee for making a planning appeal, so as to deter unnecessary planning appeals and reduce delay.</li> <li>• Examine the options for reforming developer contributions (Community Infrastructure Levy and section 106 obligations), with an announcement on this expected in the autumn Budget 2017.</li> <li>• Consult on whether large housebuilders should be required to publish aggregate information on build out rates.</li> <li>• Seek views on whether an applicant’s track record of delivering previous similar housing schemes should be taken into account by local authorities taking decisions on housing development.</li> <li>• Consult on simplifying the completion notice process to allow a local authority to</li> </ul>			

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<p>serve a completion notice on a site before the commencement deadline has elapsed, but only where works have begun, in order to dissuade developers from making a token start on work on site to keep the planning permission alive.</p> <p>Change the NPPF to introduce a housing delivery test which will highlight whether the number of homes being built is on target. If delivery then falls below specified thresholds an extra buffer would be added onto the five-year land supply and further thresholds would then allow the presumption in favour of sustainable development to apply automatically.</p>			
<p><b>HM Government (2010) UK Governments Statement on the historic environment for England</b></p>			
<p>The Vision: That the value of the historic environment is recognised by all who have the power to shape it; that Government gives it proper recognition and that it is managed intelligently and in a way that fully realises its contribution to the economic, social and cultural life of the nation.</p>	<p>Aims</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Strategic Leadership: Ensure that relevant policy, guidance, and standards across Government emphasize our responsibility to manage England's historic environment for present and future generations.</li> <li>2. Protective Framework: Ensure that all heritage assets are afforded an appropriate and effective level of protection, while allowing, where appropriate, for well managed and intelligent change.</li> <li>3. Local Capacity: Encourage structures, skills and systems at a local level which: promote early consideration of the historic environment; ensure that local decision makers have access to the expertise they need; and provide sufficiently skilled people to execute proposed changes to heritage assets sensitively and sympathetically.</li> <li>4. Public Involvement: Promote opportunities to place people and communities at the centre of the designation and management of their local historic environment and to make use of heritage as a focus for learning and community identity at all levels.</li> <li>5. Direct Ownership: Ensure all heritage assets in public ownership meet appropriate standards of care and use while allowing, where appropriate, for well managed and intelligent change.</li> <li>6. Sustainable Future: Seek to promote the role of the historic environment within the Government's response to climate change and as part of its sustainable development agenda.</li> </ol>	<p>The Core Strategy should take account of this document as it underpins PPS5.</p>	<p>The SA should take account of this document in its analysis and SA framework.</p>
<p><b>Defra (2007) Strategy for England's Trees, Woods and Forests</b></p>			
<p>Key aims for government intervention in trees, woods and forests are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to secure trees and woodlands for future generations;</li> <li>• to ensure resilience to climate change;</li> </ul>	<p>Strategy aims to create 2,200 hectares of wet woodland in England by 2010.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan policies to protect and enhance trees, woods and forests. In turn ensuring resilience to climate change and enhanced green</li> </ul>	<p>The SA should include objectives related to the natural environment.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to protect and enhance natural resources;</li> <li>to increase the contribution that trees, woods and forests make to our quality of life;</li> <li>and to improve the competitiveness of woodland businesses and products.</li> </ul> <p>These aims will form the basis on which the Delivery plan will be developed by Natural England and the Forestry Commission England (FCE). The strategy provides a national policy direction, which can be incorporated alongside regional priorities within regional forestry frameworks.</p>		infrastructure.	
<b>Defra (2009) Safeguarding Our Soils: A Strategy for England</b>			
<p>The strategy is underpinned by the following vision: By 2030, all England's soils will be managed sustainably and degradation threats tackled successfully. This will improve the quality of England's soils and safeguard their ability to provide essential services for future generations.</p> <p>Achieving this vision will mean that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>agricultural soils will be better managed and threats to them will be addressed;</li> <li>soils will play a greater role in the fight against climate change and in helping us to manage its impacts;</li> <li>soils in urban areas will be valued during development, and construction practices will ensure vital soil functions can be maintained; and</li> </ul> <p>pollution of our soils is prevented, and our historic legacy of contaminated land is being dealt with.</p>	No further targets identified.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Local Plan should seek to protect soil quality where appropriate.</li> </ul>	The SA Framework should include an objective/guide question relating to the effects of policies/proposals on soils.
<b>HM Government (1979) Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act</b>			
This is the main legislation concerning archaeology in the UK. This Act, building on legislation dating back to 1882, provides for nationally important archaeological sites to be statutorily protected as Scheduled Ancient Monuments. Section 61(12) defines sites that warrant protection due to their being of national importance as 'ancient monuments'. These can be either Scheduled Ancient Monuments or "any other monument which in the opinion of the Secretary of State is of public interest by reason of	There are no specific targets or indicators of relevance.	The Plan should incorporate relevant provision in lien with legislation.	The SA Framework should aim to Include objectives relating to the protection of the historic environment.

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<i>the historic, architectural, traditional, artistic or archaeological interest attaching to it</i> ".			
<b>HM Government (1981) Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981</b>			
The main UK legislation relating to the protection of named animal and plant species includes legislation relating to the UK network of nationally protected wildlife areas: Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs)	Under this Act, Natural England has responsibility for identifying and protecting SSSIs in England.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop policies that identify and continue the protection of the SSSI.</li> <li>Consider targets that require 95% of SSSI's within region to be of a favourable condition.</li> </ul>	Reflect the importance of these sites in the SA.
<b>HM Government (1990/1995) Environmental Protection Act 1990 / Environment Act 1990 and 1995</b>			
This Act of Parliament defines the fundamental structure and authority for waste management and control of emissions into the environment. This includes regulating and licensing the acceptable disposal of controlled waste, the identification and compulsory remedial action for contaminated land		The local Plan needs to ensure consideration is given to minimising emissions and dealing with contaminated land.	The SA should ensure through analysis that the issue of emissions control and impacts of contaminated land are considered.
<b>HM Government (1990) Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990</b>			
<p>The Act requires Local Authorities 'in granting planning permission for development which affects a listed building or its setting, ... (to have) special regard to the desirability of preserving the building or its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses'.</p> <p>The equivalent duty for conservation areas (section 66 (2)) is that 'in the exercise, with respect to any buildings or other land in a conservation area, of any (planning) functions ... special attention shall be paid to the desirability of preserving and enhancing the character or appearance of that area'.</p>	There are no specific targets or indicators of relevance.	The Local Plan should protect the historic environment in line with the Act.	The SA Framework should include an objective/guide questions relating to the protection of the historic environment.
<b>Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000</b>			
<p>This Act:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>gives people greater freedom to explore open country on foot;</li> </ul>	The Act seeks to protect sites of landscape and wildlife importance.	The Local Plan should include policies which protect the relevant designations and promote access to the natural environment.	SA objectives should seek to protect areas of landscape and wildlife importance.



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>creates a duty for Highway Authorities and National Park Authorities to establish Local Access Forums;</li> <li>provides a cut-off date of 1 January 2026 for the recording of certain rights of way on definitive maps and the extinguishment of those not so recorded by that date;</li> <li>offers greater protection to wildlife and natural features, better protection for Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs) and more effective enforcement of wildlife legislation; and</li> </ul> <p>protects Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty with legislation similar to that for National Parks.</p>			
<b>Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005.</b>			
<p>This act aims to control nuisance from artificial light emissions. Section 79(1)(fb) of the Act prescribes that artificial lighting emitted from premises can constitute a statutory nuisance if it unreasonably effects a person's enjoyment of their home.</p>	No formal targets identified,	The Local Plan should include policies to ensure that development does not result in unacceptable adverse effects on residential or other amenity, including from artificial light emissions.	The SA should include an objective regarding the protection and enhancement of amenity.
<b>HM Government (2006) The Natural Environment and Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006</b>			
<p>The Act:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>makes provision about bodies concerned with the natural environment and rural communities;</li> <li>makes provision in connection with wildlife, sites of special scientific interest, National Parks and the Broads;</li> <li>amends the law relating to rights of way;</li> <li>makes provision as to the Inland Waterways Amenity Advisory Council; and</li> </ul> <p>provides for flexible administrative arrangements in connection with functions relating to the environment and rural affairs and certain other functions; and for connected purposes.</p>	Act contains no formal targets.	The Plan must accord with the provisions of the Act.	SA objectives must consider the importance of conserving biodiversity and landscape features as set out in the Act
<b>HM Government (2008) Climate Change Act</b>			

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This Act provides a legal framework for ensuring that Government meets its commitments to tackle climate change.	<p>The Act sets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legally binding targets - Greenhouse gas emission reductions through action in the UK and abroad of at least 80% by 2050, and reductions in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of at least 26% by 2020, against a 1990 baseline.</li> </ul> <p>Further the Act provides for a carbon budgeting system which caps emissions over five year periods, with three budgets set at a time, to set out our trajectory to 2050.</p>	The Act sets out a clear precedent for the UK to lead in responding to the threats posed by climate change. The Local Plan and associated documents must ensure that greenhouse gases are reduced or minimised and that energy use comes increasingly from renewable sources.	The SA Framework should include objectives which seek to increase energy efficiency, minimise resource use, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase renewable energy generation, having regard to the limitations placed by national policy following the Housing Standards Review.
<b>HM Government (2008) Local Transport Act</b>			
The government is committed to ensuring that we are well equipped to meet not only today's transport challenges, but also those of 10 or 20 years' time. The Local Transport Act is a key part of the government's strategy to meet this commitment, empowering local authorities to take steps to meet local transport needs in the light of local circumstances.	No targets are included.	The Local Plan should promote transport that meets the needs of the City.	The SA Framework should include an objective related to promoting sustainable transport measures,
<b>HM Government (2010) The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations</b>			
This is the UK transposition of EC Directive 92/43/EC on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora.	The Regulations provide for the designation and protection of 'European sites', the protection of 'European protected species', and the adaptation of planning and other controls for the protection of European Sites.	The Local Plan must be prepared in accordance with the regulations.	The SA Framework should include objectives which seek to conserve the natural environment.
<b>HM Government (2010) Water and Flood Management Act (2010)</b>			
The Flood and Water Management Act provides for better, more comprehensive management of flood risk for people, homes and businesses, helps safeguard community groups from unaffordable rises in surface water drainage charges and protects water supplies to the consumer. The Act will need to be commenced by ministerial order before it comes into effect; however, it is important to recognize many of the authorities who will have new duties and powers under the Act are already getting on with managing flood risk.	No targets are included.	The Local Plan will need to make provision for the Act and ensure that it is reflected in the evidence base	The SA should ensure Flood Risk is addressed through analysis.
<b>HM Government (2013) The Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) Regulations 2013</b>			
The CIL is a charge which may be applied to new developments by local authorities. The money can be used to support development by funding infrastructure that the council, local community and	No targets	The Local Plan should make reference to the possibility of a Charging Schedule, as per the regulations	The SA should make reference to how proposed development will improve the social, economic and environmental issues that exist in

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neighbourhoods want.			areas that will accommodate housing
<b>HM Government (2011) Localism Act</b>			
The Localism Act gives greater powers to councils and neighbourhoods and gives more control over housing and planning decisions. The five key measures in the Localism Act intended to decentralise power are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Rights</li> <li>• Neighbourhood planning</li> <li>• Housing</li> <li>• General power of competence</li> <li>• Empowering cities and other local areas</li> </ul>	According to Government, the effect of the Act will be to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give more freedom and flexibility to local government.</li> <li>• Give new rights and powers to local communities, making it easier for them to improve local services and save important local facilities.</li> <li>• Reform the planning system, putting more power in local peoples' hands.</li> <li>• Ensure that housing decisions are taken locally.</li> </ul> <p>The Localism Act contains provisions intended to simplify and clarify the planning system, including the abolition of regional strategies, a duty to cooperate (for neighbouring local authorities over planning issues), neighbourhood planning and the community right to build.</p>	The Local Plan will have to ensure that the plan is locally evidenced and feeds in local aspirations for housing and growth. There will be greater emphasis on joint working and the policies adopted with the removal of regional government.	The SA will need to ensure that it uses up-to-date local evidence to support its analysis
<b>HM Government (2013) Achieving Strong and Sustainable Economic Growth</b>			
Sets out how the government is removing barriers allowing the UK to compete in a rapidly changing global economy	Sets out a number of actions to attract investment within the UK, supporting local growth, investing in infrastructure and creating a more educated and flexible workforce	Develop policies that have due regard to the need for a strong, sustainable and balanced growth	The SA framework should consider the nature of growth to ensure that the economy remains strong and competitive.
<b>HM Government (2014) The Water Act</b>			
The provisions in the Act enable the delivery of Government's aims for a sustainable sector as set out in the Water White Paper in a way that is workable and clear. The Act aims to make steps towards reducing regulatory burdens, promoting innovation and investment, giving choice and better service to customers and enabling more efficient use of scarce water resources		The Local Plan will need to make provision for the Act and ensure that it is reflected in the evidence base	The SA should ensure Flood Risk is addressed through analysis
<b>DCMS (2004) Culture at the heart of regeneration</b>			
The documents aims to ensure that culture is firmly embedded in regeneration from the very beginning and is not an add-on	3 priority areas Building partnerships across government, the private and voluntary sectors and culture and regeneration practitioners. Supporting delivery by spreading good practice and measuring outcomes. Strengthening evidence to find coherent and robust methods for measuring impacts.	The Local Plan should consider cultural aspects when formulating policies for the future	The SA must include objectives on accessibility to cultural activities.
<b>HM Government (2004) Housing Act (and revised 2006)</b>			
The Act requires the energy efficiency of a building to be established and available as part of the Home Information Pack, part of the implementation of EU Directive 2002/91/EC	Energy efficiency must be at least 20% greater in properties by 2010 than compared with 2000	The Local Plan must contain policies that set energy efficiency standards	The SA must include SA objectives relate to climate change and energy use

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<b>HM Government (2015) Fixing the foundations: creating a more prosperous nation</b>			
<p>This document sets out a 15-point plan that the government will put into action to boost the UK's productivity growth, centred on two pillars: encouraging long-term investment, and promoting a dynamic economy. It sets out the government's long-term strategy for tackling the issues that matter most for productivity growth.</p>	<p>No specific indicators or targets, although commitments made in this document have been progressed through the Planning and Housing Act 2016.</p>	<p>Develop policies that have due regard to the need for a strong, sustainable and balanced growth</p>	<p>The SA framework should include objectives and site appraisal criteria regarding economic and productivity growth.</p>
<b>HM Government (2015) Deregulation Act</b>			
<p>This Act provides for the removal or reduction of burdens on businesses, civil society, individuals, and public sector bodies. These include measures relating to the use of land, housing and development, transport, communications and the environment. The Act also provides for a duty on those exercising specified regulatory functions to have regard to the desirability of promoting economic growth.</p>	<p>The Act does not set targets, but by amending and repealing legislative provisions it has following relevant implications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removes the ability of local planning authorities to set higher standards of energy efficiency (in Local Plans) than required by building regulations</li> <li>Repeal of duty to prepare sustainable community strategy (Section 4 of the Local Government Act 2000)</li> <li>Repeal of Local Area Agreements (LAA's)</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should reflect the changes brought into force through the Act.</p>	<p>The SA framework should reflect the changes brought into force through the Act.</p>
<b>Housing and Planning Act (HM Government, 2016)</b>			
<p>This Act puts in place measures to support the delivery of the Government's commitments as published in the Conservative Party manifesto (2015) and the productivity plan <i>Fixing the foundations: Creating a more prosperous nation</i>. Through this Act, the Government aims to take forward proposals to build more homes that people can afford, give more people the chance to own their own home, and to improve the way housing is managed.</p> <p>The Act requires all planning authorities in England to promote the supply of starter homes when carrying out relevant planning functions, including the preparation of local plans. The Act also enables permission in principle to be granted for housing-led development on sites chosen and allocated by local authorities, parish and neighbourhood groups in a qualifying document, which includes Local Plans.</p>	<p>Act contains no formal targets.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should reflect the act by including consideration of starter homes and the granting of planning permission in principle for housing led development on allocated sites.</p>	<p>The SA framework should reflect the act by including consideration of starter homes and the granting of planning permission in principle for housing led development on allocated sites.</p>
<b>Building our Industrial Strategy Green Paper (HM Government, 2017)</b>			

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<p>The Government want to build an industrial strategy that addresses long-term challenges to the UK economy. Our aim is to improve living standards and economic growth by increasing productivity and driving growth across the whole country.</p>	<p>The industrial Strategy aims to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• build on our strengths and extend excellence into the future;</li> <li>• close the gap between the UK's most productive companies, industries, places and people and the rest; and</li> <li>• make the UK one of the most competitive places in the world to start or grow a business.</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should include policies which support the sustainable growth of the City's economy.</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include an objective relating to economic and employment development.</p>
<p><b>Air quality plan for nitrogen dioxide (NO2) in UK (Draft) (HM Government 2017)</b></p>			
<p>The focus of this plan is on government's most immediate air quality challenge: to reduce concentrations of NO2 around roads. The aim is to achieve the statutory limit values for the whole of the UK within the shortest possible time. The objective of the UK Government alongside the devolved administrations is to transform the UK's most polluted cities into clean and healthy urban spaces, supporting those most directly affected and ensuring that vehicle manufacturers play their part to improve the nation's air quality.</p>	<p>The draft plan provides a plan for how the UK will meet adopted ambitious, legally-binding targets to reduce significantly emissions of NOx and four other damaging air pollutants for 2020 and 2030.</p>	<p>Consider how plan policies can support the objectives of the draft plan.</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include an objective relating to air quality.</p>
<p><b>Rural White Paper: Our Countryside – The Future, DETR, 2000</b></p>			
<p>Conserve and enhance rural landscapes and the diversity and abundance of wildlife Increase opportunities for people to get enjoyment from the countryside Maintain and stimulate communities and secure access to services Facilitate the development of dynamic, competitive and sustainable economies in the Countryside</p>	<p>Accessibility of key services in rural areas % of people in rural wards in low income bands Qualifications of young people in rural areas Recorded crime levels and fear of crime in rural areas Proportion of households in rural areas within 10 minutes of at least an hourly bus service Proportions of market towns that are thriving, stable or declining New business start-ups and turnover of businesses Total income from farming Populations of farmland birds, conditions of SSSI's Rivers of good or fair quality Number of people using the countryside and types of visit</p>	<p>The Local Plan should recognise the protection of natural environment through sustainable agricultural practices</p>	<p>Check that the objectives are reflected in the sustainability appraisal framework Incorporate relevant indicators into monitoring where appropriate Consider 'rural proofing' the SA objectives</p>
<p><b>The Air Quality Strategy for England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland (2007)</b></p>			
<p>The Air Quality Objectives are a statement of government policy intentions or targets. The primary objective is to make sure that everyone can enjoy a level of ambient air quality in public places; requirement for local authorities to undertake a local air quality review on 8 identified air pollutants and prediction of levels in the future and Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) can be established where it is expected that targets will not be met</p>	<p>Targets: Sulphur dioxide 125ug/m3 not to be exceeded more than 3 times a year; Nitrous oxides 30ug/m3; Particles (PM10) 40ug/m3 and Nitrogen oxide 40ug/m3</p>	<p>consider how plan policies can support the objectives and targets of the Air Quality Strategy</p>	<p>Consider sustainability objectives that aim to minimise air pollution.</p>



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<b>Environment Agency Wetlands Policy</b>			
The policy aims to conserve, enhance and recreate the wetland capacity of catchments, secure the long term sustainable management of wetlands, provide a better understanding of the functions and value of wetland assets and the need to maintain their services as part of a sustainable solution to the effects of flooding, pollution and climate change.	Desired outcomes: Helping to maintain or achieve favourable condition for wetland SSSI's, adopting an integrated approach to river basin and flood risk management planning and the conservation of wetlands	Ensure that wetland areas are protected and enhanced, and consider opportunities for the creation of new wetlands	
<b>Sustainable Communities Plan: Building for the Future (ODPM, 2003)</b>			
The plan sets out a long-term programme of action for delivering sustainable communities in both urban and rural areas. It aims to tackle housing supply issue in the South East, low demand in other parts of the country and the quality of our public spaces	Address the housing shortage Address the shortage of affordable housing Addressing low demand and abandonment Tackling homelessness Ensure that social housing is brought up to a decent standard Improve the local environment and protect the countryside	Local Plan policies should provide a sustainable spatial vision contributing towards the achievement of sustainable communities	Ensure Sustainability Appraisal objectives reflect the aims of this programme
<b>UK Climate Change Programme (March 2006)</b>			
How the UK plans to deliver its Kyoto target to cut its greenhouse gas emissions by 12.5%, and move towards its domestic goal to cut carbon dioxide emissions by 20% below 1990 levels by 2010	Improve business's use of energy Stimulate investment and cut costs Stimulate new, more efficient sources of power generation Cut emissions from the transport sector Promote better energy efficiency in the domestic sector Improve energy efficiency requirements of the Building Regulations Continue the fall in emissions from agriculture and forestry Ensure the public sector takes a leading role	Local Plan should encourage rail travel and freight, Energy efficiency should be integrated into new housing developments	□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□ □□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□ reflected in the sustainability appraisal framework
<b>Climate Change-adaptation by Design (Town and Country Planning Association , 2007)</b>			
This document sets out the context for climate change and the reasons adaptation is needed and can help reduce the risks of potential effects of climate change	The document sets out 3 spatial scales for adaptation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conurbation or catchment scale</li> <li>• Neighbourhood scale</li> <li>• Building scale</li> </ul> There are four key areas which need to be understood and planned for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Managing high temperatures</li> <li>• Managing flood risks</li> <li>• Managing water resources and water quality</li> <li>• Managing ground condition.</li> </ul>		
<b>UK Biodiversity Action Plan (UK BAP)</b>			



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<p>The Action Plan is the UK Government's response to the International Convention on Biological Diversity signed in 1992. It describes the UK's biological resources, commits a detailed plan for the protection of these resources and has 391 Species Action Plans, 45 Habitat Action Plans and 162 Local Biodiversity Action Plans with targeted actions. The large number of monitoring measures can be found in the individual plans</p>	<p>The Local Plan needs to take due regard of the emerging City of York BAP as well as habitat and species action plans that are relevant to the area</p>		
<p><b>Biodiversity 2020: A Strategy for England's Wildlife and Ecosystem Services (Defra, 2011)</b></p>			
<p>The Strategy is designed to help to deliver the objectives set out in the Natural Environment White Paper.</p>	<p>The strategy includes the following priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating 200,000 hectares of new wildlife habitats by 2020</li> <li>• Securing 50% of SSSIs in favourable condition, while maintaining at least 95% in favourable or recovering condition</li> <li>• Encouraging more people to get involved in conservation by supporting wildlife gardening and outdoor learning programmes</li> <li>• Introducing a new designation for local green spaces to enable communities to protect places that are important to them</li> </ul>	<p>Develop policies that support the vision emphasising biodiversity</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include an objective relating to the protection of ecosystems.</p>
<p><b>DEFRA (2007) Waste Strategy for England and Wales</b></p>			
<p>Break link between waste growth and economic growth; emphasise waste prevention and re-use; increase diversion of non-municipal waste from landfill; invest in infrastructure needed to divert waste from landfill; increased recycling of resources and recovery of energy.</p>	<p>Meet and exceed Landfill Directive diversion targets (2010, 2013 and 2020) for biodegradable municipal waste;                      Net reduction in global greenhouse gas emissions from waste management of at least 9.3m tonnes of CO2 compared to 2006;                      Recycling and composting of household waste (at least 40% by 2010, 45% by 2015 and 50% by 2020)                      Recovery of municipal waste (53% by 2010, 67% by 2015 and 75% by 2020).</p>	<p>Ensure sufficient suitable land is made available for waste management facilities to achieve the targets                      Improve energy efficiency of new developments to maximise recycling of resources and recovery of energy from residual waste</p>	<p>Ensure Sustainability Appraisal objectives reflect the aims of this programme</p>
<p><b>Working with the Grain of Nature: Biodiversity Strategy for England (DEFRA 2002)</b></p>			
<p>The strategy seeks to ensure biodiversity considerations become embedded in all main sectors of public policy and sets out a programme for the next 5 years to make the changes necessary to conserve, enhance and work with the grain of nature and ecosystems rather than against them. The strategy sets out the Government's vision for conserving and enhancing biological diversity in England together with a programme of work to achieve it.</p>	<p>The Government's objectives are:                      To promote sustainable development                      To conserve, enhance and restore the diversity of England's wildlife and geology                      To contribute to an urban renaissance                      To contribute to urban renewal</p>	<p>Local Plan policies will need to ensure that development does not have a detrimental impact on biodiversity</p>	<p>The SA will need to include objectives relating to biodiversity and will consider impacts on biodiversity in accordance with existing guidance</p>
<p><b>Making Space for Nature: A Review of England's Wildlife Sites and Ecological Network (DEFRA, 2010)</b></p>			

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The report sets out the aim for England's ecological network compared to the situation in 2000.	No targets or indicators but a number of recommendations are identified under the following themes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve the management and condition of wildlife sites</li> <li>• Improve the protection and management of remaining wildlife habitats</li> <li>• Become better at deriving multiple benefits from ways society interacts with the environment</li> <li>• Need for society to accept change in nature conservation is necessary, desirable and achievable,</li> </ul>	The Local Plan should seek to preserve the ecological network	The SA framework should consider the ecological network in its objectives
<b>Directing the Flow: Priorities for Future Water Policy (DEFRA, 2002)</b>			
Sets out the priorities for Government policy on water in England	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making more prudent use of water resources and keeping its use within limits of its replenishment;</li> <li>• Tackling agricultural and urban diffuse/pollution of water</li> <li>• Achieving better integration between different aspects of water policy</li> </ul>	Need to consider how plan can contribute to objectives and targets set out in this document	Ensure that SA addresses water resource issues
<b>Department of Health (2003) Tackling health inequalities: A programme for action</b>			
This report sets out plans to tackle health inequalities over the next three years. It has since been followed up with status reports that assess progress against the public sector Agreement (PSA) target in the programme	The Programme establishes the foundations required to achieve the national target for 2010 to reduce the gap in infant mortality across social groups, and raise life expectancy in the most disadvantaged areas faster than elsewhere.	The Local Plan should incorporate a health perspective into the document and align with the Community Strategy to help reduce health inequalities.	The SA should recognise health issues within the SA framework.
<b>HM Government (2009) World Class Places: The Government's Strategy for Improving Quality of Places</b>			
This publication lays out the government's approach to improving quality of place. Vision: To ensure all places are planned, designed and developed to provide everyone, including future generations, with a decent quality of life and fair chances.	<p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthen leadership on quality of place at the national and regional level</li> <li>• Encourage local civic leaders and local government to prioritise quality of place</li> <li>• Ensure relevant government policy, guidance and standards consistently promote quality of place and are user-friendly</li> <li>• Put the public and community at the centre of place-shaping</li> <li>• Ensure all development for which central government is directly responsible is built to high design and sustainability standards and promotes quality of place</li> <li>• Encourage higher standards of market-led development</li> <li>• Strengthen quality of place skills, knowledge and capacity.</li> </ul>	The Local Plan will need to incorporate the principles of creating quality places	The SA will need to take consideration of the principles of creating quality places and use it within analysis.
<b>DEFRA (2009) Appraisal of flood and coastal erosion risk management</b>			
This Policy Statement sets out the principles that should guide decision making on the sustainable management of flood and coastal erosion risk in England. The operating authorities in England (the Environment Agency, local authorities, and internal drainage boards) are required to follow these principles when developing a case for investing	<p>Targets of this document:</p> <p>Give more consideration to 'risk management' and 'adaptation', as opposed to only 'protection' and 'defence';</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are undertaken consistently, transparently, with value for money in mind and in a way that complies with the Treasury guidance on appraisal and evaluation in central Government (The Green Book);</li> <li>• Help achieve better social and environmental outcomes as part of</li> </ul>	The Local Plan will need to take into consideration any issues regarding flood risk management	

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taxpayers' money in flood and erosion risk management projects. The Policy Statement also sets out the risk-based context within which appraisal should take place.	<p>sustainable development,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>both by considering a broader range of issues and by using a broader range of analysis techniques;</li> <li>Adopt a risk-based approach, whilst considering impacts within the whole of a catchment or shoreline process area.</li> </ul>		
<b>Environment Agency (2006) Groundwater Protection: Policy and Practice (GP3)</b>			
This report by the Environment Agency discusses the twin problems of reduced water supply from increased water demand and to wildlife habitats and pollution from chemicals as a result of new housing and industrial development.	The objective is to use a risk-based approach to assessment by balancing the threat to the environment (aquifers and surface water) with the benefits of the activity or development	The Local Plan should take account of the groundwater protection objectives that the Environment Agency has drawn up.	The SA should consider the impacts of the plan on ground water and implications on wildlife and water supply
<b>Environment Agency (2011) National Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for England</b>			
The objective of this strategy is to reduce the risk of flooding and coastal erosion and manage its consequences.	No targets		
<b>DCMS (2007) White Paper: Heritage Protection for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century</b>			
The proposals in this White Paper reflect the importance of the heritage protection system in preserving our heritage for people to enjoy now and in the future. They are based around three core principles: Developing a unified approach to the historic environment; Maximising opportunities for inclusion and involvement; and Supporting sustainable communities by putting the historic environment at the heart of an effective planning system	No targets set out	The Local Plan will need to consider heritage issues within policy formulation	The SA should take heritage issues and assets into account within the SA Framework
<b>DEFRA (2011) Natural Environment White Paper: The Natural Choice- Securing the Value of Nature</b>			
The Natural Environment White paper sets out the Government's plans to ensure the natural environment is protected and fully integrated into society and economic growth.	The White Paper sets out four key aims: (i) protecting and improving our natural environment; (ii) growing a green economy; (iii) reconnecting people and nature; and (iv) international and EU leadership, specifically to achieve environmentally and socially sustainable economic growth, together with food, water, climate and energy security and to put the EU on a path towards environmentally	Develop policies that support the vision emphasising biodiversity	

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	sustainable, low-carbon and resource-efficient growth, which is resilient to climate change, provides jobs and supports the wellbeing of citizens.		
<b>CLG (2009) White Paper: The UK Low Carbon Transition Plan: National Strategy for Climate and Energy</b>			
<p>The strategy aims to deliver an 18% reduction in emissions on 2008 levels by 2020 (and over one third reduction on 1990 levels).</p> <p>The White Paper sets out the transition Plan to 2020 for transforming the UK's power sector, homes and workplaces, our transport, farming and the way land and waste is managed to meet the carbon budgets set, maximise economic opportunities and protect the most vulnerable.</p>	<p>Relevant Targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Getting 40% of the UK's electricity from low carbon sources by 2020 with policies to:</li> <li>• Produce around 30% of electricity from renewables by 2020 by substantially increasing the requirement of electricity companies to sell renewable electricity.</li> <li>• Make homes greener by:</li> <li>• Channelling about 3.2 million to help households become more energy efficient by increasing the current programme by 20% between 2008 and 2011 and then extending it to the end of 2012</li> <li>• Helping make the UK a centre of green industry by supporting development and use of clean technologies, including multi million pound investment in offshore wind and marine energy</li> <li>• Transforming transport by cutting average carbon dioxide emissions from new cars across the EU by 40% on 2007 levels and sourcing 10% of UK transport energy from sustainable renewable sources by 2020</li> <li>• Framework for tackling emissions from farming</li> <li>• Producing a longer term roadmap for the transition to a low carbon UK for the period 2020 to 2050 by next spring and a vision for a smart grid</li> <li>• Setting out the Government's assessment of the outlook for energy security.</li> </ul>	The Local Plan will need to incorporate policies that will help to promote renewable energy and meet the targets set.	The SA should incorporate renewable energy as an issue for York and include this within the SA framework regarding the use and generation of energy.
<b>Department of Climate and Energy (2009) The UK Renewable Energy Strategy</b>			
<p>This strategy aims to meet the UK's target of 15% of all energy to come from renewables sources by 2020, which is a seven fold increase in this energy type over the decade. This target was set by the European Directive for Renewable Energy.</p> <p>The main aim is to set the UK on a path to decarbonise the production of energy within the UK, alongside nuclear and carbon capture and storage, contribute to the security of energy supplies in the UK through reductions in demand for fossil fuels and gas imports and to allow business opportunities and enable the UK to restructure into a low-carbon economy.</p>	<p>The strategy aims to achieve the 15% renewable energy production through the following targets:</p> <p>Reduce UK's emissions of Carbon by 750 million tonnes by 2003</p> <p>Reduce fossil fuel demand by 10%</p> <p>Reduce gas import demand by between 20-30% based upon existing projected figures for 2020.</p> <p>The lead scenario suggests that the country could aim for 30% of our electricity generated from renewables made up of predominantly wind power, on and offshore. Biomass, hydro and wave and tidal is also imagined to play an important role.</p> <p>12% heat generated from renewables. A range of sources: biomass, biogas, solar and heat pump sources.</p> <p>10% transport energy from renewables.</p>	The Local Plan will need to incorporate policies that will help to promote renewable energy and meet the targets set.	The SA should incorporate renewable energy as an issue for York and include this within the SA framework regarding the use and generation of energy.
<b>DECC and DBIS (2009) The UK Low Carbon Industrial Strategy</b>			

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<p>The move to a low carbon economy change and transform the whole economy in Britain.</p> <p>The core objective of this strategy is to ensure that British businesses and workers are equipped to maximise the economic opportunities and minimise costs.</p>	<p>No Specific targets but at the heart of the strategy there are 3 basic principles set for a positive environment for low carbon business:                      A long term strategic approach from government that sets stable frameworks for businesses and consumers                      A pragmatic approach to the role of both markets and government in making the transition to low carbon quickly and effectively, recognising that the need to progressively increase the cost of carbon, encourage low carbon innovation, remove barriers to market for some low carbon technologies and adapt to inevitable climate change, will require intelligent intervention from government                      A recognition that government has a responsibility to ensure British-based companies and people are equipped to compete for the new demand created by global climate change policies.</p>	<p>The Local Plan will need to support the economy and development of industry within York</p>	<p>The SA will need to take the issues on board when assessing the economic objectives.</p>
<p><b>DECC (2011) Carbon Plan: Delivering our Low Carbon Future</b></p>			
<p>Sets out how the UK will achieve decarbonisation within the framework of energy policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To make the transition to a low carbon economy while maintaining energy security, and minimising costs to consumers, particularly those in poorer households</li> </ul>	<p>No key targets</p>	<p>The Local Plan should consider policies in term of access by low-carbon means and also the capacity for sites to use low carbon sources of energy</p>	<p>The SA needs to ensure that the plan is embracing the low carbon agenda and appropriate sustainability objectives are utilised to assess the plan's credentials in terms of a low carbon future and the impact it could have on climate change</p>
<p><b>Defra (2008) Adapting to Climate Change in England and the Adapting to climate change Programme</b></p>			
<p>The Government's adapting to Climate Change (ACC) Programme brings together work already being led by Government and the wider public sector on adapting to climate change and will co-ordinate and drive forward the development of the Government's work on this in the future.</p> <p>Objectives of phase 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a more robust and comprehensive evidence base about the impacts and consequences of climate change on the UK</li> <li>Raise awareness of the need to take action now and help other to take action</li> <li>Measure the success and take steps to ensure effective delivery; and</li> <li>Work across government at the national, regional and local level to embed adaptation into Government policies, programmes and systems.</li> </ul>	<p>The programme is in two phases. Phase 1 (2008-11) will lay the groundwork necessary to implement Phase 2 – a statutory National Adaptation Programme, as required by the Climate Change Bill. Phase 2 should be in place by 2012.</p> <p>Four work streams that aim to achieve the objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Providing the evidence</li> <li>Raising awareness, and helping others take action</li> <li>Ensuring and measuring progress                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Government policy and process embedding adaptation.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>There are no set targets as yet</p>	<p>The Local Plan needs to embed adapting to and mitigating climate change within all documents</p>	<p>The SA should embed climate change throughout its analysis and incorporate climate change within the framework</p>

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<b>HM Government (2013) Energy Act</b>			
<p>The Government aims to further its objectives to meet the UK's decarbonisation and renewable targets, at least cost to consumers. The Government aims to ensure continued secure energy supplies whilst creating the right conditions for markets and private investment, through greater regulatory certainty and clarity. It will do this:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>through its programme of Electricity Market Reform (EMR);</li> <li>through strengthening the regulatory framework by further clarifying the role of the regulator, Ofgem;</li> <li>and through establishing an Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR).</li> </ul> <p>In addition, the Bill makes provisions ensuring developers of offshore generating stations can test and commission offshore transmission infrastructure to export power without committing a criminal offence, before transferring the infrastructure to an offshore transmission owner.</p>	<p>The Government is committed to achieving its climate change and renewables targets, including a</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>34 per cent reduction in its CO2 emissions by 2020 (relative to 1990);</li> <li>at least an 80 per cent reduction by 2050; and</li> <li>ensuring that by 2020, 15 per cent of the energy consumed in the United Kingdom comes from renewable sources.</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should encourage and promote the use of sustainable and renewable forms of energy</p>	<p>The SA should include sustainable and renewable energy objectives within the framework</p>
<b>Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) (2014) Community Energy Strategy</b>			
<p>This strategy sets out plans to promote and facilitate the planning and development of decentralised community energy initiatives.</p>	<p>There are no specific targets or indicators of relevance.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should help deliver the strategy.</p>	<p>The SA framework should include an objective relating to increasing energy provided from decentralised low carbon and renewable sources.</p>
<b>Defra (2017) Climate Change Risk Assessment 2</b>			
<p>The Climate Change Risk Assessment (CCRA) is the first-ever comprehensive assessment of potential risks and opportunities for the UK arising from climate change. The CCRA represents a key part of the Government's response to the Climate Change Act 2008, which requires a series of assessments of climate risks to the UK, both under current conditions and over the long term.</p>	<p>Key messages which will need to be addressed are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The global climate is changing and warming will continue over the next century;</li> <li>The UK is already vulnerable to extreme weather, including flooding and heatwaves;</li> <li>Flood risk is projected to increase significantly across the UK;</li> <li>UK water resources are projected to come under increased pressure;</li> <li>There are health benefits as well as threats related to climate change, affecting the most vulnerable groups in our society;</li> <li>Sensitive ecosystems are likely to come under increasing pressure;</li> <li>Potential climate risks in other parts of the world are thought to be much greater than those directly affecting the UK, but could have a significant indirect impact here;</li> <li>Some changes projected for the UK as a result of climate change could</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan needs to ensure that consideration for climate change is at the heart of the document</p>	<p>The sustainability appraisal should ensure that climate change is factored into the assessment process.</p>



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	<p>provide opportunities for agriculture and other businesses, although not outweighing the threats;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Despite the uncertainties related to future climate change and its impacts, the evidence is now sufficient to identify a range of possible outcomes that can inform adaptation policies and planning;</li> <li>• Significant gaps in evidence still exist.</li> </ul>		
<b>Defra (2013) National Adaptation Programme</b>			
<p>The programme sets out a vision for a society which makes timely, far-sighted and well-informed decisions to address the risks and opportunities posed by a changing climate.</p>	<p>Sets out the key objectives to address the greatest risks and opportunities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increasing awareness</li> <li>• Increasing resilience to current extremes</li> <li>• Taking timely action for long-lead time measures</li> <li>• Addressing major evidence gaps</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan needs to ensure that the risk and opportunities associated with climate change are taken into consideration</p>	
<b>Dept of Transport (2009) Low Carbon Transport: A Greener Future</b>			
<p>This document is a key component of the UK Low Carbon Transition Plan with an aim to harness the full potential of low carbon technology across all transport modes.</p>	<p>On the roads vehicles will be vastly more fuel efficient by 2022. This will be delivered through advances in the efficiency of the internal combustion engine. Alongside this, ultra low emissions vehicles will have made their transition on to the mass market.</p> <p>The strategy is expected to reduce CO2 emissions by 7 million tonnes of CO2 a year for 2020.</p> <p>Targets of 130gCO2/km from 2012 will full compliance by 2015 and 95gCO2/km by 2020 have been set to provide a clear and accelerating trajectory for the deployment of new low carbon technologies and vehicles.</p>	<p>The Core Strategy should encourage and promote the use of sustainable transport modes</p>	<p>The SA should include sustainable transport objectives within the framework</p>
<b>Defra (2010) Low Emissions Strategies: Using the planning system to reduce transport emissions, Good Practice Guidance</b>			
<p>Low emission strategies provide a package of measures to help mitigate the transport impacts of development. They complement other design and mitigation options, such as travel planning and the provision of public transport infrastructure</p>	<p>The main benefit of low emission strategies is to reduce transport emissions by accelerating the uptake of low emission fuels and technologies in and around a new development, and to promote modal shift away from car travel. The approach may also contribute towards achieving local government performance targets; provide local economic benefits; help to streamline planning decisions; and contribute to wider sustainable development goals.</p>	<p>The LD should develop policies in line with the national guidance</p>	<p>The SA should take consideration of the aims and objectives within the SA framework</p>
<b>Defra (2013) Waste Management Plan for England</b>			



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<p>Sets out the Government's ambition to work towards a more sustainable and efficient approach to resource use and management.</p> <p>The document includes measures to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage reduction and management of packaging waste</li> <li>• Promote high quality recycling</li> <li>• Encourage separate collection of bio-waste</li> </ul> <p>Promote the re-use of products and preparing for re-use activities</p>	<p>The Plan seeks to ensure that by 2020 at least 50% of weight waste from households is prepared for re-use or recycled and at least 70% by weight of construction and demolition waste is subject to material recovery.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should consider opportunities to reduce waste and encourage recycling and composting.</p>	<p>The SA Should include an objective relating to waste.</p>
<b>Defra (2012) UK post 2010 Biodiversity Framework</b>			
<p>The Framework is to set a broad enabling structure for action across the UK between now and 2020:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To set out a shared vision and priorities for UK-scale activities, in a framework jointly owned by the four countries, and to which their own strategies will contribute;</li> <li>To identify priority work at a UK level which will be needed to help deliver the Aichi targets and the EU Biodiversity Strategy;</li> <li>To facilitate the aggregation and collation of information on activity and outcomes across all countries of the UK, where the four countries agree this will bring benefits compared to individual country work; and</li> </ol> <p>To streamline governance arrangements for UK-scale activity.</p>	<p>The Framework sets out 20 new global 'Aichi targets' under 5 strategic goals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Address the underlying causes of biodiversity loss by mainstreaming biodiversity across government and society</li> <li>• Reduce the direct pressures on biodiversity and promote sustainable use</li> <li>• To improve the status of biodiversity by safeguarding ecosystems species and genetic diversity</li> <li>• Enhance the benefits to all from biodiversity and ecosystem services</li> </ul> <p>Enhance implementation through participatory planning, knowledge management and capacity building</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Plan policies should seek to protect and enhance biodiversity consistent with the National Planning Policy Framework.</li> </ul>	<p>The SA framework should ensure that the objectives of biodiversity are taken into consideration.</p>
<b>Defra (2011) Biodiversity 2020: A Strategy for England's Wildlife and Ecosystem Services</b>			
<p>The Strategy is designed to help to deliver the objectives set out in the Natural Environment White Paper.</p>	<p>The strategy includes the following priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating 200,000 hectares of new wildlife habitats by 2020</li> <li>• Securing 50% of SSSIs in favourable condition, while maintaining at least 95% in favourable or recovering condition</li> <li>• Encouraging more people to get involved in conservation by supporting wildlife gardening and outdoor learning programmes</li> </ul> <p>Introducing a new designation for local green spaces to enable communities to protect places that are important to them</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop policies that support the vision emphasising biodiversity.</li> </ul>	<p>Reflect the importance of these habitats in the SA framework.</p>
<b>Historic England (2015) Historic Environment Good Practice Advice in Planning Note 1</b>			

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<p>The purpose of this Historic England Good Practice Advice note is to provide information to assist local authorities, planning and other consultants, owners, applicants and other interested parties in implementing historic environment policy in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the related guidance given in the National Planning Practice Guide (PPG).</p>	<p>There are no specific targets or indicators of relevance.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should include policies in accordance with the NPPF approach.</p>	<p>SA Framework should include an objective relating to the historic environment.</p>
<p><b>REGIONAL/SUB-REGIONAL CONTEXT</b></p>			
<p><b>York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Strategic Economic Plan (York, North Yorkshire and East Riding Local Enterprise Partnership, 2014)</b></p>			
<p>The is: to make York, North Yorkshire &amp; East Riding the place in England to grow a small business, combining a quality business location with a great quality of life.</p> <p>The Plan sets out five priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Profitable and ambitious small and micro businesses - "Ambitious businesses that are supported to innovate, improve and grow"</li> <li>• A global leader in food manufacturing, agri-tech and biorenewables - "Driving growth by building on our international reputation in agri-tech &amp; biorenewables"</li> <li>• Inspired People "Growing businesses able to access ambitious people, with the right skills and the right attitude"</li> <li>• Successful and distinctive places - "Enhanced growth and opportunities in targeted locations"</li> <li>• A well connected economy - "Businesses with strong connections to their customers and markets"</li> </ul>	<p>The Plan includes four ambitions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20,000 new jobs</li> <li>• £3 billion growth</li> <li>• Every student connected to business</li> <li>• Double house building</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should reflect the vision, priorities and ambitions of the Strategic Economic Plan.</p>	<p>The SA should reflect the need to increase jobs and skills in the area.</p>
<p><b>North Yorkshire Local Investment Plan 2011-2021 (North Yorkshire Strategic Housing Partnership, June 2011)</b></p>			

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<p>This Local Investment Plan is the result of ongoing discussions between the local authorities of North Yorkshire (excluding City of York), North Yorkshire County Council, the North York Moors and Yorkshire Dales National Park Authorities and the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA). The purpose of this Plan is to showcase the huge potential that can be unlocked through investment in housing in North Yorkshire. It forms the business case and development prospectus for future investment through a place-based approach. This is vital in a time of increasing austerity and cuts to public sector funding when monies need to be targeted effectively and deliver key outcomes and value for money.</p>	<p>The LIP supports the following Vision:                      “To make North Yorkshire and York an inclusive place where communities are sustainable and residents can have fair access to decent affordable homes and effective support when they need it”.</p> <p>It is committed to the delivery of the five key strategic priorities set out in the North Yorkshire Housing Strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enabling the provision of more affordable homes</li> <li>• Maintaining and improving the existing housing stock</li> <li>• Delivering community renaissance</li> <li>• Improving access to housing services</li> </ul> <p>Reducing homelessness</p>		<p>The SA needs to understand the cross boundary effects of policies in conjunction with North Yorkshire approach.</p>
<p><b>Leeds City Region Enterprise Partnership Strategic Economic Plan 2016-2036</b></p>			
<p>The Partnership brings together the public and private sectors – and partners in government, education and the third sector – working to a common vision for economic prosperity.</p> <p>The Plan focuses on growth with a shared vision: “To unlock the potential of the City Regional, developing an economic powerhouse that will create jobs and prosperity”</p>	<p>The plan sets out a series of goals and action area under four priority areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Growing business</li> <li>• Skilled people, better jobs</li> <li>• Clean energy and environmental resilience</li> <li>• Infrastructure for growth</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan will need to consider the aspirations of the Leeds City Region in policy development.</p>	<p>The SA needs to consider the priorities and outcomes of the LCR plan in its framework and analysis for cross boundary impacts.</p>
<p><b>Leeds City Region Green Infrastructure Strategy (2010)</b></p>			
<p>The Leeds City Region has commissioned the Green Infrastructure Strategy to ensure that future growth is underpinned and supported by high quality green infrastructure. As such, the strategy will sit alongside the other core city region initiatives such as Housing &amp; Regeneration, Employment &amp; Skills, Transport and Economic Drivers and Innovation, to drive sustainable economic growth.</p>	<p>The following section highlights the well-established benefits of investing in green infrastructure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Addressing climate change adaptation and mitigation</b> by using tree planting for natural air cooling and CO2 absorption.</li> <li>• <b>Tackling flood alleviation and water management</b> by installing sustainable urban drainage systems, permeable surfaces and open spaces in urban areas and upstream water catchment management techniques in the wider countryside.</li> <li>• <b>Improving quality of place</b> by using the natural environment to create high quality living and recreational environments and a setting for where we live and work.</li> <li>• <b>Improving physical and mental health and social well-being</b> by creating good quality green space and opportunities for relaxation and healthy physical activity as well as providing the infrastructure necessary to encourage people to walk, run, cycle and play for health improvement.</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should include for quality openspace to support the economic, social and environmental benefits it has</p>	<p>The SA should assess the policies for their contribution to GI and its impacts on York.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Improving skills and educational attainment</b> by providing an 'outdoor classroom' to learn new skills or understand more about the way we live, how our culture has evolved and where our society is heading in the future.</li> <li>• <b>Increasing land and property values</b> by creating attractive environments around new and existing residential, commercial and employment areas.</li> <li>• <b>Sustaining economic growth and Investment Improving labour force productivity.</b> High quality environments around where people live and work can inspire higher productivity and lower absenteeism amongst workforces.</li> <li>• <b>Increasing tourism</b> by improving the 'tourism offer' through widespread environmental improvements, and targeted activity to improve the setting, functionality and accessibility of key destinations.</li> <li>• <b>Enhancing recreational and leisure opportunities</b> by creating new or improving existing assets.</li> <li>• <b>Protecting and enhancing landscape character and biodiversity</b> by using land improvements and management to deliver biodiversity gain and overall landscape enhancement.</li> <li>• <b>Obtaining products from the land</b> by using natural assets sourced locally in favour of imported goods.</li> </ul>		
<b>2009-2014 Culture Strategy, York and North Yorkshire Cultural Partnership (2009)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This strategy extracts the essence of what York and North Yorkshire is renowned for and good at culturally, and takes it to the next level towards excellence.</li> <li>• It takes our drive for quality and authenticity and turns them into an advantage for developing our cultural assets in a sustainable way that will continue to grow in popularity, use and attractiveness over the next 5 years.</li> <li>• It is a celebration of our current talent, and our future ambition for cultural partnership opportunities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To have a strong, sustainable and culturally vibrant York and North Yorkshire making the most of its special qualities and distinctiveness, and maximising its economic and cultural value;</li> <li>• To transform the image and perception of York and North Yorkshire by maximising the opportunities of its outdoor adventure offer and ensuring it is a key driver for increased participation and growing the visitor economy;</li> <li>• To have a vibrant and strong cultural and creative industries sector contributing to the growth of the economy of the sub-region building on our existing infrastructure and networks; and</li> <li>• To ensure that all sections of the community of York and North Yorkshire have access to high quality cultural and sporting activities, helping to raise participation levels, volunteering and healthy lifestyles.</li> </ul>	The Local Plan needs to consider the ambitions of this city and ensure that culture is included within the plan	The SA will need to consider the Cultural Strategy to assess how the plan builds in Cultural pursuits and the impacts for York.
<b>North Yorkshire County Council (2009) North Yorkshire Waste Local Plan Saved Policies (May 2009)</b>			
<p>To encourage a reduction in the amount of waste that requires treatment and disposal</p> <p>To encourage a move away from traditional waste disposal methods and alternative methods of re-use and recovery</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25% recycling (Government Target)</li> </ul> <p>The policies must be adhered to as they still form part of the Development Plan due to the policies being saved.</p>	Local Plan must reflect the wider waste strategy and apply it locally	Incorporate any relevant targets into sustainability framework

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<b>North Yorkshire County Council (2007) North Yorkshire Minerals Local Plan Saved Policies (2007)</b>			
To ensure an adequate and steady supply of minerals To encourage greater use of alternatives to primary resources To minimise conflict with non-mineral development To sustain the contribution of mineral related employment to the economy	The policies must be adhered to as they still form part of the Development Plan due to the policies being saved.	Local Plan must reflect the wider Minerals strategy and apply it locally	Incorporate any relevant targets into sustainability framework
<b>Countryside Character Volume 3: Yorkshire and the Humber (Countryside Agency, 1999)</b>			
The assessment was part of a national study covering the whole of England. Part of the study that covers York is the 'Vale of York' area (Character Area 28). The assessment looks at the key characteristics of the area, the landscape character, historical and cultural influences, building and settlements and land cover. The document also assess how the countryside is changing and what the pressures are for the future.	The document sets out a number of recommendations for 'shaping the future'. In relation to the 'Vale of York' area these are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There may be scope to enhance the landscape by attempting to create new, larger areas of heathland on appropriate areas of sandy soil</li> <li>• New tree planting should be appropriate to the history of the Vale and its open character. Management of the existing, scattered, farm woodland should be addressed</li> <li>• There is scope for progress in enhancing the riverine landscape by integrated approaches to catchment and river corridor management</li> <li>• Where hedges and hedgerow trees have declined, restoration and replanting may be appropriate to improve wildlife habitat and to strengthen landscape structure</li> <li>• Appropriate design of new development would ensure that the character of settlements is enhanced.</li> </ul>	The impact of the Local Plan policies must be assessed on the natural and built environment. This landscape character assessment provides the framework to assess this impact. The recommendations set out must be taken into account when developing the policies	Incorporate any relevant targets into sustainability framework
<b>Regional Forestry Framework: The Value of Trees in our Changing Region (Forestry Commission, 2005)</b>			
This strategy sets out priorities for managing trees and woodland in the region for economic, social and environmental gains.	Among the core aims are the need to increase woodland creation in the reclamation of derelict and underused land, protect and improve woodland Sites of Special Scientific Interest and Ancient Woodlands, increase accessible woodland near to where people live, increase the use of wood in sustainable construction and as a source of renewable energy and increase tress and woodland planting to help reduce flood risk	The Local Plan should integrate and facilitate the strategy's objectices, desired outcomes and action plan	
<b>Yorkshire and Humber Rural Strategy (2006)</b>			
This strategy sets out the priorities of the Yorkshire and Humber Region in tackling co-ordinating, funding and delivering the outcomes of the UK Rural Strategy (2004). The Y&H Rural Framework sets out the priorities for action to ensure these are targeted where needed at local level across the region, thus securing sustainable development outcomes.	To deliver a Vision of 'a vibrant and sustainable future for rural Yorkshire and The Humber'. This should mean that rural Yorkshire and The Humber, and the communities within it, remains a place where all those who live, work, play and visit can thrive while maintaining and enhancing the natural environment. The 10 main objectives are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rural business development – encourage enterprise and innovation within new and established rural businesses, and provide a co-ordinated support infrastructure that helps them adapt to change.</li> <li>2. Employment, education and skills training – develop and encourage participation in quality learning opportunities, and support rural businesses in workforce development.</li> <li>3. Market towns – support market towns as hubs for the rural economy</li> </ol>	Local Plan policies will need to reflect this guidance and any targets set.	Incorporate any relevant targets into the framework

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	<p>and as service centres, providing locally based employment opportunities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Sustainable tourism – develop, manage and promote rural Yorkshire and The Humber as a high-quality 'sustainable tourism' destination.</li> <li>5. Access to services – ensure that rural communities are characterised by high levels of inclusion and equitable access to quality services that recognise demographic trends.</li> <li>6. Rural transport – understand and addresses transport needs in rural areas through private, public and voluntary sector provision, to promote rural regeneration and tackle social exclusion.</li> <li>7. Rural housing – understand and address housing needs in rural areas, recognising and tackling issues of fuel poverty.</li> <li>8. Rural communities – promote social cohesion, and encourage and support the engagement of rural communities and the active roles that they can play.</li> <li>9. The natural environment – conserve and enhance the region's rural biodiversity, its distinctiveness, and the quality of its natural and built environment</li> <li>10. Promote a 'functional landscape'4 – where development draws on and sustains the natural, cultural and built heritage of the region's rural area.</li> </ol>		
<b>Rights of Way Improvement Plan for North Yorkshire (NYCC, 2007)</b>			
<p>Meet the present and likely future needs of the public.            Provide for exercise and other forms of open air recreation and enjoyment of North Yorkshire.            Meet the accessibility of local rights of way to blind or partially sighted persons and others with mobility problems.            Contribute to the Government's four shared transport priorities which are central to the Local Transport Plan for North Yorkshire.            These are reducing congestion, improving air quality, enhancing accessibility and improving safety.</p>		<p>The main priorities of the strategy should be reflected in the development of policies</p>	
<b>Climate Change Plan for Yorkshire and Humber 2009-2014 :Your Climate, Our Future (Yorkshire and Humber Climate Change Partnership, 2009)</b>			
<p>This plan aims to drive the understanding and action in terms of tackling climate change within the region. The emphasis is now on delivery rather than strategy. The vision for the region in 10 years time is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climate Change mitigation and adaptation underpins future regional strategies and has strong local and regional leadership</li> <li>• The economy is more diverse and resource efficient with low carbon products and services in all sectors.</li> <li>• Businesses use carbon trading effectively to stimulate investment in emissions reduction</li> </ul>	<p>The plans does not set targets but relies on national, regional local initiatives for delivery. The plan identifies gaps and where value can be sort from the partnership as a way forward. There are 7 key priorities identified however:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategy and Monitoring</li> <li>• The built environment</li> <li>• Transport</li> <li>• Health services</li> <li>• Business</li> <li>• Land Management</li> <li>• Citizen Engagement</li> </ul> <p>There are 3 cross cutting themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Energy: because the consumption of fossil fuel based energy</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should embed climate change within policy</p>	<p>The SA should embed climate change issues within the framework</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The link between economic growth and waste growth is broken</li> <li>Car use is reducing year on year</li> <li>All new development is zero carbon</li> <li>We are better prepared for extreme weather events</li> <li>Agriculture and forestry benefit from longer growing seasons whilst managing soil quality, new pests and diseases, and extreme weather</li> <li>We are able to help the natural environment stay healthy and adapt to climate change.</li> </ul>	<p>sources is the biggest direct influence on the volume of greenhouse gases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Waste: Because waste streams are important potential sources of materials and energy</li> <li>Water: Because pressure on water resources and water and sewerage infrastructure will increase.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Economic Impact of Heritage in Yorkshire and Humber (Yorkshire and Humber Environment Forum, March 2010)</b></p>			
<p>The principal purpose of the study is to provide evidence to underpin the role of heritage in the emerging “Yorkshire and the Humber Strategy” (formerly the Integrated Regional Strategy). To meet this challenge, the study is presented in three parts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Part I – Understanding the Economic Impacts of Heritage - through the qualitative consideration of case studies</li> <li>Part II – Measuring the Economic Impact of Heritage - a quantitative assessment of the overall economic impact of historic assets to the region and its four sub-regions.</li> <li>Part III – Maximising the Economic Impact of Heritage - sign-posting where the best potential may be for heritage assets to have the greatest economic impacts in the years ahead in the region.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No targets but key recommendations:</li> <li>the opportunity to <i>make better use of post-industrial revolution heritage</i>, which the Sheffield City Region and Leeds City Region are rich in;</li> <li>the opportunity to <i>build upon historic events</i> such as the St Ledger horse race and York Mystery Cycle to increase heritage tourism by visitors from outside the region;</li> <li><i>promote groups of assets</i> which can be very powerful in attracting visitors from outside the region;</li> <li>encourage Local Authorities and other stakeholders to <i>consider the opportunities heritage can provide as a core</i></li> <li><i>renaissance/regeneration theme in a town</i> to ensure that heritage assets are providing the greatest input to economic growth they can;</li> <li>given the increase in holidays within the UK and the expected increase in this trend, <i>promote the region as a heritage holiday destination</i>;</li> <li>help building owners think through the potential to <i>re-use heritage buildings</i> for holiday let accommodation;</li> <li>use the current property market slow-down to <i>build developer awareness of opportunities and best practice</i> with heritage buildings;</li> <li>provide guidance on the type of office environment that can be provided in heritage buildings and the issues/cost involved;</li> <li>potential to <i>assist developers and Local Authorities to think through alternative uses</i> that are less impacted by markets, need to be in town centres and are sustainable;</li> <li>develop a closer and more supportive relationship with Conservation Officers; and</li> <li>to <i>ensure that heritage is considered at the outset of site</i></li> <li><i>masterplanning</i>, could there be potential for English Heritage to offer an advisory service to developers?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Local Plan should use this evidence base to influence its heritage policies</li> </ul>	<p>The SA should take account of the recommendations and balance them with other SA considerations.</p>
<p><b>Historic environment Strategy for Yorkshire and the Humber Region (Yorkshire and the Humber Historic Environment Forum 2009-2013)</b></p>			
<p>This Strategy aims to harness enthusiasm for the</p>	<p>Outcomes setting out what they want to achieve for the future:</p>	<p>The Local Plan should take</p>	<p>The SA should take consideration of</p>



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<p>historic environment, providing a framework for its management and providing a basis to guide regional policy and decision making.</p> <p><b>Vision</b> To make the conservation and sustainable management of our historic environment the passionate concern of everyone in the Yorkshire and the Humber Region, by raising awareness of its value to peoples' lives and to the health of the economy."</p> <p><b>Aims</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>act as an advocacy document - to broaden awareness and understanding and change the way organizations perceive and value the historic environment, clarifying and emphasising why it matters;</li> <li>act as a basis for integrating the historic environment with the ambitions of other agencies - providing a framework to support, guide and inform the development of regional and local policy e.g. Integrated Regional Strategy, Local Area Agreements, Local Development Frameworks, Sustainable Community Plans, City Region and Sub-Regional Plans;</li> <li>provide a focus to inspire historic environment work in the Region – giving a clear direction for activity and outlining priorities to secure the effective management of our historic environment in the future.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Theme A: Making the Case for the Region's historic environment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A1: Our knowledge and understanding of the historic environment of Yorkshire and the Humber is increased and used effectively to inform its future management</li> <li>A2: The historic environment is widely recognised as a major contributor to the life of the Region and is reflected in the Region's strategies, policies and plans</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme B: Understanding and enjoying the Historic Environment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B1: The historic environment becomes a more accessible part of our everyday lives</li> <li>B2: The historic environment is used as a resource and venue for education, lifelong learning and skills training</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme C: Utilising our Historic Environment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C1: The special character of this Region is conserved through development and regeneration which harnesses the historical context of local areas and helps to realize the potential of the historic environment</li> <li>C2: More effective planning and management of change is developed through a wider understanding of historic environment issues</li> <li>C3: The historic environment contributes fully to the life of the Region and helps to create distinctive sustainable neighbourhoods</li> <li>C4: Historic landscapes are effectively conserved and enhanced for future generations</li> <li>C5: The historic environment of the Region's coastal and marine areas are understood, protected and enhanced</li> <li>C6: The historic environment continues to form a major part of the Region's tourism economy welcoming visitors and the positive benefits they bring</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme D: Caring for our Historic Environment</b></p> <p>D1: The historic environment is effectively managed and maintained D2: The Region has the people with the skills needed to manage and conserve the historic environment for future generations</p>	<p>consideration of the Strategy in planning for heritage issues and assets</p>	<p>the anticipated outcomes within the SA framework</p>
<p><b>Regional Biodiversity Strategy for Yorkshire and Humber (Y&amp;H Biodiversity Forum, 2009)</b></p>			
<p>The Yorkshire and Humber Regional Biodiversity Strategy has been developed by the Yorkshire and Humber Regional Biodiversity Forum (YHBF). It sets a framework for the integration of biodiversity into our regional and local policies, programmes and processes, and promotes a more joined up approach to biodiversity. It complements and implements the biodiversity elements of the Regional Spatial Strategy. The strategy also represents the region's contribution to the England Biodiversity Strategy and</p>	<p>Theme A: Protecting the best sites for wildlife in the region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No net loss from current known baseline</li> <li>100% of LAs to have identified lists of local sites within their plans by 2011</li> <li>100% of plans with appropriate policies/targets</li> <li>No net loss and net gain achieved in priority areas</li> <li>95% of SSSI in favourable or non-favourable recovering condition by 2010-06-02 95% of biodiversity action plan priority habitats and species in appropriate management by 2015</li> <li>All SSSI to under go condition assessment monitoring within a 6 year</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should take consideration of the strategy</p>	<p>The SA should use the strategy to inform the SA Framework in terms of sub-objectives and targets</p>

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<p>the UK Biodiversity Action Plan.</p>	<p>cycle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitoring programmes established and signed up to by all LAs and wildlife organisations</li> </ul> <p>Theme B: Focussing conservation action on the region's Priority Habitats and Species</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Achieve all regional targets for maintenance, restoration and expansion by 2015</li> <li>100% of available resources utilised to achieve regional and UK BAP targets</li> <li>Regional data gaps identified and costed survey programme of delivery in place</li> </ul> <p>Theme C: Improving functional habitat networks and enhancing the wider environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>YHBF endorsed regional habitat network map by 2010</li> <li>All regional targets for habitats and species in appropriate management by 2015</li> <li>All high priority habitat networks identified and proactively conserved through appropriate delivery/funding mechanisms</li> <li>100% of statutory plans with habitat networks identified in appropriate policies</li> </ul> <p>Theme D: Developing a robust evidence base for the region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update the habitat inventory and priority species data sets publicly available through NBN</li> <li>Annual audits of the region's species and habitats produced through YHEDN</li> <li>Evidence used to incorporate biodiversity in all future social and economic strategies</li> <li>Yorkshire and Humber Environmental data network established</li> </ul> <p>Theme E: Engaging people with the region's biodiversity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All LAs to have at least one Local Nature reserve</li> <li>100% of new/revised sustainable Community Strategies to include targets for biodiversity.</li> </ul> <p>Theme F: Helping the region's biodiversity adapt to climate change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regional vision/opportunities map produced</li> <li>100% of biodiversity delivery plans to include appropriate actions</li> <li>All sites and species vulnerable to climate change identified within the region and mangement plans developed to minimise effects</li> <li>No net loss or damage to biodiversity sites due to biofuel production.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Water Resources Management Plan (Yorkshire Water, 2014)</b></p>			
<p>The plan incorporates future pressures on supply and demand driven by predicted changes to the climate. It also incorporates future changes to the Yorkshire population, housing, future water use and metering trends.</p>	<p>The Plan forecasts a deficit in the supply demand balance from 2018/2019. This deficit is cause primarily by the loss of yield due to climate change. To meet the supply demand deficit the preferred solution is a balance of demand reduction options and the development of existing or new assets.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should promote resource efficiency.</p>	<p>This should be included for consideration in the baseline and analysis.</p>

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<p>The plan provides a response to development and growth within Yorkshire that is balanced and sustainable, whilst maintaining a minimum level of service of no more than one hosepipe ban per 25 years, in line with the Yorkshire Water Drought Plan. It takes into account future greenhouse gas emissions, the potential impact of abstraction on the environment and the volume of water lost through leaks.</p>			
<p><b>Water for life and livelihoods: Humber river basin district river basin district basin management plan (Updated) (Environment Agency, 2015)</b></p>			
<p>The Plan focuses on the protection, improvement and sustainable use of the water environment.</p> <p>The overall objective is to ensure sufficient water supplies for future generations especially in the face of climate change, housing growth and an increase in individual water use.</p>	<p>The plan sets out the current state of surface and groundwater bodies in the river basin district and actions to improve the water environment by 2021 (and in some cases 2027).</p>	<p>The Local Plan should seek to reduce water use and maintain/improve water quality.</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include objectives/guide questions which seek to minimise the use of water and conserve and improve water quality.</p>
<p><b>Ouse Catchment Flood Management Plan (Environment Agency, 2010)</b></p>			
<p>The CFMP gives an overview of the flood risk in the Ouse catchment and sets out our preferred plan for sustainable flood risk management over the next 50 to 100 years. There are four major river systems that come together to form the River Ouse CFMP study area. The Rivers Swale; Ure; Nidd; and Wharfe.</p>	<p>No targets identified.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should seek to minimise flood risk in the City Council area.</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include objectives which seek to minimise flood risk in the City Council area.</p>
<p><b>HM Government (2016) The Northern Powerhouse: One Agenda, One Economy, One North</b></p>			
<p>The document sets out the transport strategy which aims to support economic development across northern England. It sets out a number of objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transform city to city rail connectivity east/west and north/south through both HS2 and a new TransNorth system, radically reducing travel times across this intercity network;</li> <li>• Ensure there is the capacity that a resurgent North will need in rail commuter services;</li> <li>• Deliver the full HS2 'Y' network as soon as possible, including consideration of accelerating construction of Leeds-Sheffield;</li> <li>• Enhance the performance of the North's Strategic Road Network (SRN) through delivery of the committed first phase of the Roads Investment Strategy;</li> </ul>	<p>No targets are included within the document.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should have regard to the objectives.</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include objectives/guide questions related to the transport infrastructure and connectivity.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Further enhance the long-term performance of the Northern SRN through a clear vision and strategy that embraces transformational investment and technology;</li> <li>Set out a clearly prioritised multimodal freight strategy for the North to support trade and freight movement within the North and to national/international markets;</li> <li>Pursue better connections to Manchester Airport through TransNorth, whilst city regions consider connectivity to the North's other major airports; and</li> <li>Develop integrated and smart ticket structures to support our vision of a single economy across the North.</li> </ul>			
<b>HM Government (2016) Northern Powerhouse Strategy</b>			
<p>The Strategy sets out a strategy for a sustained increase in productivity across the whole of the North. It includes the following priorities for doing so:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthening connectivity between and within city regions;</li> <li>Ensuring the North develops, attracts and retains skilled workers;</li> <li>Making the North a great place for enterprise and innovation; and</li> <li>Promoting trade and investment.</li> </ul>	No indicators are included within the Strategy.	The Local Plan should have regard to the Northern Powerhouse Strategy.	The SA Framework should include objectives/guide questions related to economic development, skills and training, enterprise, and promoting inward investment.
<b>LOCAL CONTEXT</b>			
<b>The Council Plan 2015-2019 (City of York Council)</b>			
<p>The Council Plan sets out the City Council's priorities for the next four years. There are three priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a prosperous city for all - where local businesses can thrive and residents have good quality jobs, housing and opportunities</li> <li>a focus on frontline services - to ensure all residents, particularly the least advantaged, can access reliable services and community facilities</li> <li>a council that listens to residents - to ensure it delivers the services they want and works in partnership with local communities.</li> </ul>	<p><b>A prosperous city for all:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local businesses can thrive</li> <li>Residents have the opportunity to get good quality and well paid jobs</li> <li>Residents can access affordable homes while the greenbelt and unique character of the city is protected</li> <li>Everyone is supported to achieve their full potential</li> <li>Efficient and affordable transport links enable residents and businesses to access key services and opportunities</li> <li>Environmental Sustainability underpins everything we do</li> <li>Everyone who lives in the city can enjoy its unique heritage and range of activities.</li> <li>Visitors, businesses and residents are impressed with the quality of our</li> </ul>	The main themes, targets and priorities of the Council Plan should be reflected in the development of Local Plan policies	Relevant themes, targets and indicators should be used in the development of the SA objectives and indicators.



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	<p>city.</p> <p><b>A focus on frontline services:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All York’s residents live and thrive in a city which allows them to contribute fully to their communities and neighbourhoods</li> <li>• Delivering frontline services for residents is the priority</li> <li>• All children and adults are listened to, and their opinions considered</li> <li>• Everyone has access to opportunities regardless of their background</li> <li>• Support services are available to those who need them</li> <li>• Every child has the opportunity to get the best possible start in life</li> <li>• Residents are encouraged and supported to live healthily</li> <li>• Residents are protected from harm, with a low risk of crime</li> </ul> <p><b>A council that listens to residents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus on the delivery of frontline services for residents and the protection of community facilities.</li> <li>• Focus on cost and efficiency to make the right decisions in a challenging financial environment.</li> </ul>		
<b>One Planet York - Prospectus 2017</b>			
<p>One Planet York is a growing network of organisations actively working towards a more sustainable, resilient and collaborative future. A future with a thriving inclusive economy, strong resilient community and a healthy environment. The Prospectus sets out what member organisations are expected to contribute to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be part of a city working together</li> <li>• Feature in the One Planet York online directory and gain increased recognition for your actions</li> <li>• Gain access to practical advice and toolkits</li> <li>• Have opportunities to network, share and learn from others</li> <li>• Be eligible to use the One Planet York logo on your own marketing and publicity</li> <li>• Receive invites to future One Planet York events</li> <li>• Equity &amp; local economy</li> <li>• Health &amp; happiness</li> <li>• Culture &amp; community</li> <li>• Zero carbon</li> <li>• Zero waste</li> <li>• Sustainable transport</li> </ul>	<p>There are no relevant indicators.</p>	<p>The main themes of the Prospectus should be reflected in the development of policies</p>	<p>The overall aims should inform the foundation of the SA objectives</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sustainable materials</li> <li>Sustainable water</li> <li>Local &amp; sustainable food</li> <li>Land &amp; wildlife</li> </ul> <p>One Planet York contributes to delivery of the Council Plan.</p>			
<b>Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-16 (and emerging for 2017-2022)</b>			
<p>As well as a number of cross-cutting themes, principles and actions the Health and Wellbeing Strategy includes five key themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Making York a great place for older people to live</li> <li>Reducing health inequalities</li> <li>Improving mental health and intervening early</li> <li>Enabling all children to have the best start in life</li> <li>Creating a financially sustainable local health and wellbeing system</li> </ul> <p>The emerging vision for the new strategy is:</p> <p>To make York the best place for all residents to be born, grow up, live, work and grow old in.</p>	<p>There are a number of key principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure that we work together in true partnership for the good of the people of York;</li> <li>Involve local people in identifying the challenges and redesigning services;</li> <li>Promote equality of opportunity and access for all communities, and challenge discrimination if it arises;</li> <li>Treat everyone with dignity and respect at all times;</li> <li>Recognise and promote the vital role of unpaid carers who contribute so much to health and wellbeing in York;</li> <li>Champion the role of the voluntary sector and the value its strength, diversity and knowledge brings in improving the health and wellbeing of our residents;</li> <li>Work with the Adults' and Children's Safeguarding Boards to ensure that everyone always feels safe, and that the ways to report concerns are clear.</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should take account of the health priorities for the City.</p>	<p>The SA Framework should include objectives relating to supporting healthy communities.</p>
<b>Local Agenda 21 Strategy 2000</b>			
<p>The plan objective is focussed on the quality of life in York and how to improve the quality of life for everyone in York, now and in the future</p>	<p>The main targets of the strategy are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For everyone to have access to a job, with good working conditions in a local economy where the value of voluntary and unpaid work is recognised</li> <li>For everyday goods and services, including those produced locally, to be available close to where people live</li> <li>For low and decreasing crime levels that mean all residents feel safe and secure</li> <li>For people not to have to rely on the car to get around</li> <li>For resources to be used carefully, with minimal waste and as little pollution as possible</li> <li>For a pleasant natural environment which people can enjoy which supports the largest possible range of native animals and plants</li> <li>For people to enjoy good health with effective treatment available for those who need it</li> <li>Education and training to be available to people of all ages and abilities</li> <li>Access to affordable, appropriately sized housing in a good condition</li> </ul>	<p>The main targets of the strategy should be reflected in the development of Local Plan policies</p>	<p>These objectives should form the foundation of the SA objectives</p>

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	for all <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For everyone to have the opportunity to be part of a community and to have their say in decisions affecting themselves or the city as a whole</li> <li>For the characteristics that make York unique to be protected and enhanced.</li> </ul>		
<b>York City Vision and Community Strategy (Without Walls) 2011-2025 (2011)</b>			
<p>Without Walls is the name of a group of people from influential organisations in York who have agreed to work together to achieve a shared vision. The strategy in place to reach the shared vision, called the community strategy, will make sure that the good work done by organisations, partnerships and individuals in the city is brought together in one overall 'grand plan'. We will see improvements quicker if we work together than if organisations continue to work on their own.</p> <p>Strategic Ambitions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building confident, healthy and inclusive communities</li> <li>Being a leading environmentally-friendly city</li> <li>Being at the forefront of innovation with a diverse and thriving economy</li> <li>Being a world class centre for culture, education and learning for all</li> <li>Celebrating our historic past and creating a successful and ambitious future</li> </ul>	<p>There are seven themes to the strategy each with their own objectives and targets that come together to form the city vision. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Safer City - To be a safe city with a low crime rate and to be perceived by residents and visitors as such.</li> <li>The Healthy City - To be a city where residents enjoy long, healthy and independent lives through the promotion of healthy living and with easy access to responsive health and social care services</li> <li>The City of Culture - Celebrating both our uniqueness and our diversity, we will promote a culture that helps build a confident and creative community, welcomes and inspires resident and visitor alike, and encourages quality opportunities for fun and fulfilment open to all</li> <li>The Thriving City - To support the progress and success of York's existing businesses and to encourage new enterprises in order to maintain a prosperous and flourishing economy that will sustain high employment rates</li> <li>The Inclusive City - To ensure that all residents and visitors can take part in the life of the city</li> <li>The Learning City - To ensure all those who live and work in York have the education and skills that will enable them to play an active part in society and contribute to the life of the city. To ensure that the city is seen as an internationally recognised centre for education with a commitment to lifelong learning and creativity which is second to none</li> <li>The Sustainable City - That York should be a model sustainable city with a quality built and natural environment and modern, integrated transport network</li> </ul>	<p>The main targets of the strategy should be reflected in the development of Local Plan policies</p>	<p>These objectives should be incorporated into the objectives and indicators of the SA framework to ensure consistency</p>
<b>Local Transport Plan 3 2011-2031 (CYC, 2011)</b>			
<p>This third transport plan sets out five themes with objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Providing quality alternatives</li> <li>Improving strategic Links</li> <li>Encouraging behavioural Change</li> <li>Tackling transport emissions</li> <li>Enhancing public Streets and spaces.</li> </ol> <p>The LTP is a long-term strategy for transport in York and is supported by a implementation plan with detailed measures.</p>	<p>The LTP3 vision over the next 20 years is: To enable everyone to undertake their activities in the most sustainable way and to have a transport system that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Has people walking, cycling and use public transport more;</li> <li>Makes York easier to get around with reliable and sustainable links within its own area, adjacent to other areas and the rest of the UK;</li> <li>Enables people to travel in safety, comfort and security, whatever form of transport they use;</li> <li>Provides equal access to opportunities for employment, education, training, good health and leisure for all; and</li> <li>Addresses the transport-related climate change and local air quality issues in York</li> </ul>	<p>The main targets of the strategy should be reflected in the development of Local Plan policies</p>	<p>These objectives should be incorporated into the objectives and indicators of the SA framework to ensure consistency.</p>



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<b>Achieving Excellence: York's 14-19 Plan 2009-2015 (CYC, 2009)</b>			
<p>The objective of the plan is to significantly raise the skills and qualification levels of young people. The plan highlights three key strands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raising Attainment</li> <li>• Raising Participation</li> <li>• Provision of a 14-19 entitlement curriculum</li> </ul> <p>The key vision is for learners in York to have ambition and aspiration.</p>	<p>The Plan identifies key principles which will help achieve the vision including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing the highest quality education and training for all York learners</li> <li>• Meeting the needs of all learners in York, but with a key focus on groups which are currently less well served, including NEETs and learners with learning disabilities and/or difficulties</li> <li>• Putting the needs of the learner first and above the needs of individual institutions</li> <li>• Understanding that each institution has its own contribution to make, but that no school or college is bigger than the whole</li> <li>• Moving away from competition to co-dependency of a high quality</li> <li>• Driving change with shared and collective leadership</li> </ul>	<p>Ensure that the indicators are considered when developing Local Plan policies</p>	<p>Incorporate any relevant targets into sustainability framework</p>
<b>Taking Play Forward – A Play Strategy for York (CYC, 2002, updated 2010)</b>			
<p>Taking play forward is a working and flexible philosophy for all children and young people up to 16 years old, parents and organisations involved with play. It aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raise the standards of play provision</li> <li>• Encourage joint working between children, individuals and services with interests in play</li> <li>• Create flexibility in the use of play resources</li> <li>• Identify measurable criteria for funding and developing play opportunities</li> <li>• Increase the recognition of the importance of play</li> </ul>	<p>Targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For all forms of city planning and organisation, relevant authorities and departments to be encouraged to consider the play environment and help build resources which allow children's play to happen freely</li> <li>• All individuals and organisations making decisions which affect (directly or indirectly) the right of children to play and their right to be consulted should be encouraged to consider and apply the 7 play objectives (as detailed in the strategy)</li> <li>• Opportunities to create open and accessible free-play and adventure play in the general environment should be a priority</li> <li>• To see that play spaces and places that offer children opportunities for risk taking and challenge, whilst ensuring that they are not at risk of serious harm</li> </ul>	<p>Ensure that the main targets and indicators are taken into account when developing Local Plan policies</p>	<p>Incorporate any relevant targets into sustainability framework</p>
<b>Low Emission Strategy (CYC, 2012)</b>			
<p>The LES vision will be delivered through a series of measures aimed at achieving the following objectives:</p> <p>i. To raise public and business awareness and understanding of emissions to air in order to protect public health and meet the city's ambitious carbon reduction targets.</p>	<p>Overall vision: <b>'To transform York into a nationally acclaimed low emission city'</b> where the population, and the business and development community particular are aware of their impact on the environment and health and play an active role in reducing all emissions in the city</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• where new development is designed to minimise emissions and maximise sustainable transport access</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan will need to make provision to help achieve and deliver this strategy</p>	<p>The SA should include the indicators and baseline information to help determine analysis and objectives.</p>

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<p>ii. To minimise emissions to air from new developments by encouraging highly sustainable design (via sustainable design aspects of the emerging Development Plan) and the uptake of low emission vehicles and fuels on new developments (via LES and LTP3)</p> <p>iii. To minimise emissions to air from existing vehicles by encouraging eco-driving, optimising vehicle maintenance and performance (including that of abatement equipment) and providing businesses, residents and visitors with incentives and opportunities to use low emission vehicles and fuels</p> <p>iv. To lead by example by minimising emissions from council buildings (via CCFAP), fleet and other activities and to showcase low emission technologies whenever possible</p> <p>v. To encourage inward investment by providers of low emission technology, fuels and support services</p> <p>vi. To maximise sustainable transport and reduce localised air quality breaches through traffic demand management, smart travel planning, and potentially regulatory control (via LTP3, the emerging Development Plan, LES and revisions to the AQAP).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• where there are noticeably higher rates of walking and cycling than in other UK cities and rates are comparable to those in exemplar European cities</li> <li>• where there are noticeably greater numbers of alternatively fuelled vehicles (electric, gas and hybrid) than in other UK cities and widespread eco-driving behaviour</li> <li>• where there is a well developed infrastructure to support low emission (alternatively fuelled) vehicles</li> <li>• where the number of vehicles accessing air quality hotspots and risk areas are minimised and where lorries, buses and taxis meet minimum emission standards and embrace new emission reduction technologies</li> <li>• where the council leads by example, operating the lowest emission fleet affordable and seeking to minimise emissions from procured services</li> <li>• where local air quality and global warming issues are considered and tackled together</li> <li>• where inward investment by low emission technology providers is actively sought, encouraged and supported</li> <li>• where innovation and investment in infrastructure and services that reduce emissions are actively sought, encouraged and promoted.</li> <li>• where as a result of the above there are no exceedances of air quality limit</li> </ul>		
<p><b>City of York Council A City Partnership To Prevent Homelessness 2013-2018</b></p>			
<p>The document sets out five strategic aims:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Enable people to avoid housing crisis through integrated early intervention and prevention approaches</li> <li>2. Ensure trusted, timely and accessible housing information and advice is available so people can make informed housing decisions and plan ahead</li> <li>3. Ensure the supply of, and fair access to, accommodation sufficient to meet housing needs</li> <li>4. Ensure people with housing support needs have these needs fully assessed and have access to the services to help sustain independent living</li> <li>5. Ensure the effective co-ordination of service</li> </ol>	<p>The strategy includes a number of indicators related to homelessness prevention and provision of the relevant support.</p>	<p>Ensure that the main targets and indicators are taken into account when developing Local Plan policies</p>	<p>Incorporate any relevant targets into SA framework</p>

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<p>providers whose activities help prevent homelessness or meet people's accommodation and support needs</p>			
<p><b>City of York Council Housing Strategy 2011-15</b></p>			
<p>Our "Creating homes, building communities" strategy includes six strategic aims:</p> <p><b>1. Improve access to housing and housing services, including appropriate information, advice and support:</b> Knowing what housing options are available and where to go for help are set to become increasingly important in the years ahead so people can plan, make informed choices and avoid a housing crisis.</p> <p><b>2. Make best use of the existing housing stock:</b> The economic slowdown presents challenges to new housing supply. Making better use of the existing homes is one way of minimising future demand.</p> <p><b>3. Maximise the supply of decent environmentally sustainable homes that people can afford:</b> We must maintain a strong focus on the key housing sites, such as York North West, which in turn will underpin future economic growth.</p> <p><b>4. Improve the condition, energy efficiency and suitability of homes and create attractive, sustainable neighbourhoods:</b> Ensuring homes remain suitable to our needs as we get older helps maximise use of the existing stock and underpins good quality of life. Cutting carbon emissions is good for the environment and means people spend less on energy.</p> <p><b>5. Reduce homelessness and tackle the causes of homelessness:</b> By preventing homelessness we can help households avoid its damaging affects and reduce overall costs.</p> <p><b>6. Develop effective partnership working:</b> Joint working on housing issues has been key to the achievements made to date. We know there are partnerships we can strengthen further, particularly around housing and health.</p>	<p>Key objectives to tackle the local housing issues identified:</p> <p><b>1. Improve access to housing and housing services, including appropriate information, advice and support</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop an advanced housing options service</li> <li>Increase awareness of housing options for particular groups, such as older households and people with disabilities</li> <li>Increase awareness of York's social housing allocation system</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Make best use of the existing housing stock</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tackle under occupation</li> <li>Tackle long-term empty properties</li> <li>Swiftly re-let homes that become vacant in the social rented sector and tackle illegal sub-letting</li> <li>Increase the role of the private rented sector in meeting housing need</li> </ul> <p><b>3. Maximize the supply of decent environmentally sustainable homes that people can afford</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increasing housing supply, especially the supply of additional affordable homes</li> <li>Ensure all new homes are built to high environmental standards</li> <li>Tackle worklessness and financial exclusion</li> <li>Increase the range of housing options available to older households and those with disabilities</li> <li>Address the housing needs of gypsies, travellers and showpeople</li> <li>Ensure a planned approach to student housing</li> </ul> <p><b>4. Improve the condition, energy efficiency and suitability of homes and create attractive, sustainable neighbourhoods</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve the condition and energy efficiency of existing homes</li> <li>Tackle fuel poverty</li> <li>Help people remain in (or safely return to) their homes</li> <li>Reduce anti-social behaviour</li> <li>Improve home security</li> <li>Increase residents' involvement in decisions about their homes and neighbourhoods</li> </ul> <p><b>5. Reduce homelessness and tackle the causes of homelessness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prevent homelessness</li> <li>Reduce the use of temporary accommodation</li> <li>End rough sleeping</li> <li>Increase special provision for young people and teenage parents</li> </ul> <p><b>6. Develop effective partnership working</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve partnership working with the health sector</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan needs to help deliver elements of the Housing Strategy through policy</p>	<p>The SA should take the aims, objectives and targets in account through the SA Framework and analysis.</p>

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<b>Older Persons Housing Strategy 2011-2015 (CYC, 2011)</b>			
<p><b>Strategic Aims:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ensure older people can make informed choices and plan ahead by providing accessible and clear information on their housing options</li> <li>2. Ensure older households are able to live in their own homes for longer, rather than have to move to 'specialist' accommodation to maintain their independence and well being</li> <li>3. Where there is a need for more specialist types of accommodation for frailer older people and those with specific needs, ensure it promotes and enables maximum independence and choice.</li> </ol>	<p>Targets for Strategic Aims:</p> <p>Strategic aim 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comprehensive information about housing and support options by Dec 2011. Annual older people information events to raise awareness of options.</li> <li>• Update knowledge of older people's needs through a full housing market assessment by Jul 2011. Complete customer profiling of social housing tenants by Dec 2011.</li> <li>• Report progress on the strategy to the Older People's Partnership Board every six months.</li> </ul> <p>Strategic aim 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100% of new homes built to lifetime standard (date to be confirmed in Local Development Framework).</li> <li>• Continue to promote and administer disabled facilities grant in light of cutbacks in funding for other help and assistance.</li> <li>• Register of adapted social rented properties by July 2012.</li> <li>• Minimum of 98.6% of vulnerable people accessing services helped to maintain independent living year on year</li> <li>• Reduction on the proportion of older households spending more than 10% of their income on domestic energy bills by 2015.</li> <li>• Minimum of 6 households helped to downsize each year.</li> </ul> <p>Strategic Aim 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in the proportion of new specialist housing that offers a wider range of tenure options and bedroom sizes.</li> <li>• Complete stock options appraisal of older persons schemes with recommendations for future provision – July 2011</li> <li>• Agreed equalities and diversity policy in place by April 2012.</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should make provision for a mix of types of accommodation to suit all needs</p>	<p>The SA should reference the targets and indicator for the strategy and use this as a basis for analysis.</p>
<b>York Supported Housing Strategy 2014-2019</b>			
<p>Our overarching vision is to ensure the right supported housing options are available at the right time and the right place for those that need them. Through this, we will help to increase or maintain independence, and to help to prevent future reliance on services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enable those with mental health support needs to have these needs met through mainstream housing wherever possible and ensure the provision of suitable supported housing as a route back into mainstream accommodation for those needing extra support in the short to medium term.</li> <li>• Enable people with learning disabilities to</li> </ul>	<p>A range of indicators are included in the Strategy, which reflect the achievement of the overarching objectives.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should include policies to help support the delivery of housing to meet the needs of the York's communities.</p>	<p>The SA framework should include an objective related to meeting the housing needs of all of York's communities.</p>

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<p>access mainstream services and reduce the need for care and support with specialist services whenever possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enable young people to make timely and informed choices about their housing options and ensure they are equipped with the knowledge and skills required to sustain independent living.</li> <li>• Ensure the right level of supported housing to reduce re-offending and provide a stable route to independent living.</li> <li>• Ensure the right kind of supported housing is available to help people address underlying issues such as substance misuse.</li> <li>• Prevent homelessness and keep the level of rough sleeping to as near to zero as possible through the provision of appropriate supported accommodation that provides a route back to independent living.</li> </ul>			
<b>York's Children and Young People's Plan 2016-2020 (YorOK Childrens' Trust, 2016)</b>			
<p>The Plan sets out a vision: 'Children and young people are the heart of our city and of everything we do'</p> <p>The Plan includes four strategic priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Early help</li> <li>2. Emotional and mental health</li> <li>3. Narrowing gaps in outcomes</li> <li>4. Priority groups</li> </ol>	<p>The Plan includes a number of outcomes related to delivery of the strategic priorities.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should include policies which seek to secure the outcomes of the Plan.</p>	<p>The SA framework should include the need to support health and wellbeing.</p>
<b>Let's Talk Rubbish: A Municipal Waste Management Strategy for City of York and North Yorkshire 2006-2026 (2006)</b>			
<p>This Strategy has the following objectives, to enable us to achieve this vision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce the amount of waste produced in York and North Yorkshire so as to make us one of the best performing areas<sup>5</sup> in the country by 2013 (currently York and North Yorkshire residents produce more waste per person than in most other areas). By 2008, we aim to produce less per person than the average for England and Wales</li> <li>• To promote the value of waste as a natural and viable resource, by:</li> <li>• Re-using, recycling and composting the</li> </ul>	<p>The Partnership aims to achieve the following targets, as a minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recycle or compost 40% of household waste by 2010</li> <li>• Recycle or compost 45% of household waste by 2013</li> <li>• Recycle or compost 50% of household waste by 2020</li> </ul> <p>Divert 75% of municipal waste from landfill by 2013</p>	<p>The Local Plan should incorporate policies which aims to achieve the targets</p>	<p>The SA should take consideration of the objectives and targets in the SA framework.</p>

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<p>maximum practicable amount of household waste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximising opportunities for re-use of unwanted items and waste by working closely with community and other groups</li> <li>• Maximising the recovery of materials and/or energy from waste that is not re-used, recycled or composted so as to further reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Contaminated Land Strategy, Environmental Protection Unit, City of York Council, (Adopted July 2001, revised February 2016)</b></p>			
<p>It is envisaged that this strategy will help the council to improve and protect the condition of the environment and the health of residents in York. Key Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide a strategic framework which we will use to identify, inspect and determine contaminated land. Inspections will be carried out in priority order, so the highest risk sites will be inspected first.</li> <li>• To ensure that development on potentially contaminated land is not permitted unless an appropriate contamination assessment has been submitted and we are satisfied that the proposed development is feasible and that the contamination can be suitably mitigated.</li> <li>• To ensure that developers undertake sufficient remedial work to make land safe and suitable for its proposed use.</li> <li>• To deal with sites as a matter of urgency if we suspect that there is an immediate serious risk to human health or the environment.</li> <li>• To prepare written records of determination and risk summaries for land that is found to be contaminated land (as defined by Part 2A) and written statements for land that is not.</li> <li>• To maintain a public register of contaminated land.</li> <li>• To secure the appropriate remediation of sites determined as contaminated land in order to protect public health and the environment.</li> </ul>	<p>Specific targets and indicators are detailed in the document</p>	<p>Ensure that the main targets and indicators are taken into account when developing Local Plan policies</p>	<p>Incorporate any relevant targets into sustainability framework</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To outline the council's procedures regarding powers of entry, liability, cost recovery, special sites and enforcement. To inform the public and stakeholders of the council's responsibilities and intentions in relation to contaminated land.</li> </ul>			
<b>Community Safety Plan, Safer York Partnership, 2014-2017</b>			
<p>The Plan sets out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reducing the harm caused by alcohol through the delivery of the York Alcohol Strategy</li> <li>Reducing victims of crime</li> <li>Reducing victims of anti-social behaviour</li> </ul> <p>Protecting vulnerable people including Children, Child Sexual Exploitation, Domestic Abuse</p> <p>Prevent</p>	<p>The Plan includes a number of outcomes related to the objectives.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should help support delivery of the plan's objectives.</p>	<p>The SA should consider the implications from the strategy on the Local Plan policies.</p>
<b>Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group (2014) Integrated Operational Plan 2014-2019</b>			
<p>The Operational Plan sets out a vision for "Achieving the best health and wellbeing for everyone in our community." This forms part of a "Care Hub Model" to determine the nature of services to be provided.</p>	<p>The Plan sets out eight strategic initiatives to achieve the vision:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integration of Care</li> <li>Person Centred Care</li> <li>Primary Care Reform</li> <li>Urgent Care Reform</li> <li>Planned Care</li> <li>Transforming mental health and learning disability services</li> <li>Children and Maternity</li> <li>Cancer, palliative and end of life care</li> </ol>	<p>Ensure that any relevant targets and indicators are taken into account when developing Local Plan policies</p>	<p>Incorporate relevant health indicators into the development of the SA framework</p>
<b>York Economic Strategy 2016-2020: Choosing a Better Story (CYC, 2016 updated 2017)</b>			
<p>The York Economic Strategy sets out eight objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•deliver the York Central Enterprise Zone</li> <li>•deliver a Local Plan that supports a high value economy</li> <li>•take practical steps to develop and retain talent in the city</li> <li>•drive university and research-led business growth in key sectors</li> <li>•lobby for investment in key transport networks</li> <li>•use local business rate freedoms to drive high value growth</li> <li>•make a fresh loud statement on cultural and visual identity</li> </ul>	<p>The Strategy included a number of targets to be met in the first year of the Strategy:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Partnership agreements including financials confirmed for York Central, with funding fully in place, including a mechanism for borrowing against future business rates. There should also be agreement on business and housing allocations through the Local Plan and progress towards taking the site to market.</li> <li>2. An agreed Local Plan submitted which supports making a shift towards a higher value economy.</li> <li>3. Progress towards a graduate scheme for SMEs, as well as a continuation of apprenticeship brokerage which has successfully adapted to changes in national policy. York SMEs being represented at University careers fairs through collaborative agreements.</li> </ol>	<p>The Local Plan should support the strategy through policy and delivery</p>	<p>The SA should use the themes, priorities and indicators in scoping and analysis of the policies.</p>



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•bring people and businesses together in creative low-cost ways	<p>4. A clear list of priority transport asks, with feasibility work undertaken and outline business cases developed for major transport investments where they don't currently exist. This should form part of a clear lobbying strategy for influencing key individuals around relevant decisions.</p> <p>5. A City of York Council response to the Government consultation on business rate retention within the required timescales. On a national level, we'd expect updates on government guidance and the parameters we will be able to set local business rates policy within.</p> <p>An improved web presence for promoting the City to businesses considering locating in the city, an ambassadors programme launched and initial meetings of a coordinated marketing team across organisations, led by Make it York. You should also see feasibility work undertaken and outline business cases developed for identified major initiatives focussed on changing the perception/visual appearance of York.</p>		
<b>City of York Employment Land Review 2016</b>			
The Employment Land Review sets out scenarios for employment growth within the City. The projections by Oxford Economics presented a baseline scenario for York forecasting a job growth of 10,500 jobs over the period 2014-2031. Two further scenarios were considered by OE; scenario 1 – higher migration and faster UK recovery, which identified an additional 4,900 jobs above the baseline over the same period and scenario 2 – re-profiled sector growth which identified 500 additional jobs above the baseline.	The Employment Land Review includes scenarios for employment need.	The Local Plan should be informed by the employment needs identified in the Report.	The SA framework should include an objective related to employment development.
<b>Science City York Strategy</b>			
Science City York is a business support organisation that assists in the creation and growth of technology-based businesses. Its mission is to create business and employment opportunities in the York area through science and technology exploitation. Science City York's vision is to be a 'leading centre at the forefront of innovation, creativity and change within a prosperous and thriving economy'. Science City York's concept is firmly embedded at the heart of the York and North Yorkshire Economic strategy. Science City York's future vision is to generate an additional 15,000 jobs by 2021 achieved through developing an integrated approach to create a culture and infrastructure that allows creative, science and technology businesses to thrive.	Central to the delivery of Science City York's vision will include investment in strategic areas and initiatives including:- Business and Research Collaboration, Infrastructure and Life Long Learning. Science City York will pursue a number of workstreams to deliver further growth: Cluster Development Activities - the development of new business clusters around the strengths of the University. Science Infrastructure - one of the central components of the development of Science City York's infrastructure is the development of key strategic sites including - York Science Park, Vangarde (a technology park on a key greenfield site which is being developed to support key technology and science businesses), York Central, Hungate and Heslington East Campus.	Ensure that the Local Plan policies reflect the aims and objectives of the Science City York strategy and are developed in consultation with the Economic Development Unit.	Ensure that the key targets/outcomes of the strategy are taken into account when developing the sustainability framework

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<b>Visit York Strategic Plan 2009-2012</b>			
<p>Visit York has identified five key objectives that we will use to measure our success:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To position York as a leading domestic and international visitor destination.</li> <li>To generate, support and manage investment in tourism in York and the surrounding area.</li> <li>To deliver from our activities an enhanced and sustainable return on investment for all our stakeholders</li> <li>To operate a commercially successful business and develop the company's corporate social responsibilities.</li> <li>To contribute fully to the development of the economy of York and Yorkshire.</li> </ul>	<p>By 2012 the York tourism sector will see:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Total visitor expenditure in excess of £400m (based on &gt;5% growth pa)</li> <li>Average length of overnight stays sustained at 4 days (2008: 3.9 days).</li> <li>York Tourism supporting 12,000 jobs (2008: 10,600 jobs).</li> <li>A 3% increase in the ratio of visitors who intend to return to York in the next two years (to 86%) based on visitor survey evidence.</li> <li>£50 m investment in tourism over a three year period by public and private sectors – including investment in training, public realm and events activity as well as capital projects</li> <li>100 York tourism businesses signed up to the Green Tourism Business Scheme.</li> </ul>	<p>The Local Plan should take into consideration and support the aims and targets of this strategy</p>	<p>The SA should incorporate the aims and targets within the framework</p>
<b>Biodiversity Audit and Action Plan</b>			
<p>The initial 'City of York Biodiversity Audit' in 1996 was commissioned by the then English Nature and City of York Council as a first step towards implementing Government policy at the local level and was essentially a review of the City's known wildlife resource. This audit has formed the basis of conserving sites of nature conservation interest in York since it was produced.</p> <p>A new Biodiversity Audit for York has been completed (2010) and this identifies new potential Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) and assesses these alongside existing ones to see if they have sufficient value to be designated as a SINC. This has been accepted as part of the evidence base for the plan.</p>		<p>The Local Plan requires up to date and comprehensive information. Need to incorporate Action Plan when written as Supplementary Planning Document.</p>	<p>Incorporate relevant biodiversity objectives and indicators into sustainability framework</p>
<b>City of York Rights of Way Improvement Plan 2006-2011 (draft)</b>			
<p>This report is a requirement of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 and looks to evaluate to what extent local rights of way meet the present and future needs of the public; the extent to which rights of way offer opportunities for exercise and other outdoor recreation and the accessibility of the rights of way to the blind/partially sighted and people with mobility problems.</p>	<p>The ROWIP's Statement of Action is split down into 6 Aims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Aim 1:</b> To ensure that the council's rights of way network and wider network of access is open, well maintained and easy to use.</li> <li><b>Aim 2:</b> To provide an accurate, up to date and easily available Definitive Map and Statement for the whole of the City of York Council administrative area.</li> <li><b>Aim 3:</b> To provide a more connected network of access for all users.</li> <li><b>Aim 4:</b> To improve the provision of information about the council's rights of way network and wider network of access and to promote the benefits that its use can bring.</li> <li><b>Aim 5:</b> To work more closely with landowners, user groups and volunteers to manage and enhance the current PROW network and Wider Network of Access.</li> <li><b>Aim 6:</b> To improve the network to make it easier to use for everyone especially those with mobility problems and visual impairment.</li> </ul>	<p>Ensure that the key actions and targets of the improvement plan are taken into account when developing the policies in the Local Plan.</p>	<p>Incorporate any relevant targets and indicators into the development of the sustainability framework</p>
<b>City of York Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (2015)</b>			
<p>The Strategy aims to help better understand flood</p>	<p>The Strategy includes an Action Plan with a series of measures relating</p>	<p>The Local Plan should ensure that</p>	<p>Include objectives relating to flood</p>

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<p>risk from all sources in York and to develop methods to reduce its likelihood and impact on residents and visitors. It will also identify opportunities to improve the city environment.</p> <p>The strategy seeks to achieve this aim through the following objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Ensure that there is an accurate, comprehensive and clearly documented understanding of flooding and flood risk in York</li> <li>2) Work with our partners to identify the areas of focus and priority for flood risk management in York and communicate it to those at risk</li> <li>3) Work to secure, prioritise and deliver investment in mitigating flood risk to deliver social, economic and environmental benefits</li> <li>4) Ensure that planning decisions properly address all aspects of flood risk and that surface water flows are managed and controlled in a sustainable manner</li> <li>5) Maintain drainage infrastructure and watercourses to ensure that their operation maximises effectiveness</li> </ol>	<p>surface, ground water and fluvial flooding and co-ordinating the actions of a number of organisations to manage flood risk.</p>	<p>its proposals and policies do not increase the risk of flooding.</p>	<p>risk in the SA Framework.</p>
<p><b>Ouse Flood Risk Management Strategy (Environment Agency, 2010)</b></p>			
<p>The Ouse Flood Risk Management Strategy focuses on the River Ouse and the rivers and streams which join it. The strategy puts the spotlight on people, properties and land at risk from flooding along the River Ouse between Linton Lock to the North West of York and Boothferry Bridge to the SE of Selby and the River Wharfe between the A64 bridge at Tadcaster and where it joins with the Ouse at Wharfe's mouth. It looks at various methods of managing flood risk and suggests the most appropriate ways of doing this in the future.</p>	<p>The primary objective of the study is to identify the preferred ways of managing flood risks in the long term, over the next 100 years. The strategy adopts targets based on both national and local objectives. These targets reflect not only flood risk management objectives but also relevant wider issues and concerns including the environment, sustainability and climate change.</p>	<p>Ensure that the key actions and targets of the flood risk strategy are taken into account when developing the policies in the Local Plan.</p>	<p>Incorporate any relevant targets and indicators into the development of the sustainability framework</p>
<p><b>The Swale, Ure, Nidd and Upper Ouse Catchment Abstraction Management Strategy (CAMS) (Environment Agency, March 2004 and updated 2008)</b></p>			
<p>The vision for the Swale, Ure, Nidd and Upper Ouse CAMS is to ensure that a sustainable level of abstraction is achieved that meets the needs of the environment, economy and water users both now and in the future. CAMS are strategies for management of water resources at a local level. The SUNO CAMS covers an area of approximately 3,500km<sup>2</sup> and includes the towns of Harrogate, Knaresborough, Northallerton, Thirsk, Ripon, Richmond and the City of York. The strategy will</p>	<p>Targets: to characterise and quantify pressures and impacts on all surface waters and groundwater sources; reduce the likelihood of water supply shortages, whilst avoiding future environmental damage; ensure that plans are in place to adapt water supply systems to expected climate change</p>	<p>Ensure that the key actions and targets of the flood risk strategy are taken into account when developing the policies in the Local Plan.</p>	<p>Incorporate any relevant targets and indicators into the development of the sustainability framework</p>

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apply to the significant rivers, tributaries and groundwater resources.			
<b>Swale, Ure, Nidd and Upper Ouse abstraction licensing strategy (2013)</b>			
Sets out how water resources are managed in the Stour area and when a licensing strategy is required	Sets the requirement for a licence if more than 20m <sup>3</sup> /day (4400 gallons of water)	The Local Plan should take account of the Swale, Ure, Nidd and Upper Ouse licensing strategy as water abstraction is a key requirement of many developments	The SA should include an objective/guide questions related to water efficiency and quality.
<b>York Central Transport Study Nov 2005</b>			
The Study considers the physical measures required to allow access to the development and identifies the transport implications likely to arise from the development of the area on surrounding areas and citywide. More detailed transport proposals for York Central will be produced in the master planning stage and when development options are being prepared. The objective of the Study was to identify options to address the poor accessibility into the area. A number of key conclusions were provided and a report commenting on the results of the study was produced.	The study did not recommend any targets but outlined areas where further work was required and provided feasibility work on alternative options to access the area. Five options were modelled and key indicators used to assess the relative benefits of these.	Ensure the work on the study is taken into account when developing more detailed assessments and policies for the Area Action Plan.	The study included an initial assessment of the likely air quality implications arising from the development of the site. A detailed assessment of the additional air pollution generated by the development will be needed, based on the Transport Impact Assessment.
<b>York Strategic Housing Market Assessment (Prepared by GL Hearn for City of York Council, 2016 and addendum 2017)</b>			
The purpose of the SHMA and its addendum, is to set out the housing need for the City of York, using the latest population and household growth projections and applying proportionate local adjustments, if required.	The GL Hearn report sets out a baseline need figure of 867 dwellings per annum (dpa) recommends that based on their assessment of market signals evidence and some recent Inspectors decisions that York should include a 10% market signals adjustment to the 867 figure. This would increase the housing figure to 953 per annum.	The Local plan needs to take consideration for the provision of housing and addressing housing need.	The SA should use this technical work in the baseline and analysis of the Policies.
<b>Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan for York 2010-15 (CYC, 2010)</b>			
The Climate Change Framework is the overarching document that will enable York to accelerate actions to reduce carbon emissions across the city. It demonstrates the actions already on-going and highlights the key areas the city needs to begin to drive forward for coordinated action to tackle climate change. Key aims: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to reduce York's CO2 and other greenhouse gas emissions in line with government and local targets.</li> <li>to coordinate CO2 and other greenhouse gas emission reduction initiatives across York</li> <li>to coordinate actions to better prepare York for future climate change.</li> </ul>	<b>Vision:</b> To reduce greenhouse gas emissions across York and better prepare and adapt York's communities and businesses for the likely impacts associated with climate change. <b>Targets:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce CO2 emissions (end user) by 40 per cent by 2020 (based on a 2005 baseline) and 80 per cent* by 2050 (based on a 1990 baseline).</li> <li>Reduce the average residents' carbon footprint from 12.61 tonnes in 2006 by 80 per cent to 3.36 tonnes by 2050 (based on a 2006 baseline).</li> <li>City of York Council and the Without Walls Partnership to have in place by 2050 effective measures that will better prepare York communities, businesses, organisations and vital infrastructure from the effects of a changing climate.</li> <li>To exceed the following renewable energy targets of 39MW of installed</li> </ul>	The aim of this strategy should be at the heart of the Local Plan.	The aims and targets should be incorporated into the SA framework and Climate change should be a specific SA objective.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to make full use of the potential for low carbon, renewable, localised sources of energy generation across York.</li> <li>to raise awareness and understanding of climate change throughout the Without Walls Partnership, City of York Council, and within communities, businesses and organisations across York.</li> <li>contribute to the city's Sustainable Community Strategy and the creation of a sustainable, environmentally friendly city.</li> </ul> <p>The Climate Change Action Plan for York will deliver coordinated actions across the city to meet the Climate Change Framework's targets and ambitions.</p> <p>The Climate Change Action Plan for York is a combination of two specific action plans. The plans are broken into mitigation – actions that will reduce emissions from across York – and adaptation – actions that will help York to better prepare and adapt to the predicted effects of a future changing climate.</p>	<p>renewable electricity capacity and 15MW of installed renewable heat capacity by the year 2020 and 40MW of installed renewable electricity and 18MW of installed renewable heat capacity by the year 2031.</p> <p>The above targets for reductions in CO2 emissions by 2020 are in line with the city's voluntary commitments to the Covenants of Mayors<sup>2</sup> and the Friends of the Earth (FoE) 'Get Serious' campaign<sup>3</sup>. The Covenant of Mayors (CoM) is a European initiative to curb local authorities CO2 emissions. This requires the city to reduce its CO2 emissions by at least 20% by 2020. The FoE campaign calls for council's to do their bit to tackle climate change and create a greener future for everyone by reducing the city's CO2 emissions by 40% by 2020. ( An additional Sustainable Energy Action Plan, with details on the York's COM campaign is also available from May 2011</p>		
<b>Renewable Energy Strategic Viability Study (AEA, 2010)</b>			
<p>This report sets out the methodology and outputs from a renewable energy strategic viability study for York. The aim of this study is to inform City of York Council about the potential, viability and deliverability of renewable energy options within York.</p>	<p>The study identifies a number of technologies that have the potential to be implemented within the city. The report does not set specific targets but recommendations for implementation</p>	<p>The Local Plan should incorporate provision for resource efficiency and renewable energy provision</p>	<p>The SA should understand and use the potential identified for form the basis for analysis of policies and sites.</p>
<b>Renewable Energy Study (2014)</b>			
<p>The York Renewable Energy Study assessed the city's potential for generating renewable energy and concluded that there is potential to generate renewable energy from a variety of available sources including wind, solar and hydro. The study also assessed the impacts of such potential on the city and recommends potential areas where renewable energy could be considered in the future (subject to further feasibility studies and full planning processes).</p>	<p>The Study does not include any targets or indicators.</p>	<p>The Local Plan should provide support for the development of renewable energies in the context of national policy and guidance.</p>	<p>The SA should incorporate the aims and objectives and targets from this report in the SA Framework. It should be used to support the headline objective.</p>
<b>City of York Council's Air Quality Action Plan 3 (2015) (AQAP3)</b>			

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City of York Council's Air Quality Action Plan 3 sets out how York intends to continue to deliver the LES and to work towards becoming an internationally recognised ultra-low emission city.	Headline measures within the Plan include provision of low emission infrastructure and reducing emissions from new development.	The Local Plan should include policies which support air quality improvements and help lower emissions.	The SA should include an objective relating to air quality and reducing emissions.
<b>York Climate Change Impacts Profile (May 2010)</b>			
The overall aim of the CYCIP is to enable the Council and the Without Walls Partnership to understand how the City of York need to adapt to a changing climate. It should be recognised that the CYCIP process itself is as important as the outputs. The programmes purpose is to increase understanding of our current vulnerability to weather, to understand how this is altering with a changing climate both now and in the future and to assess how we can take effective action now to protect our communities.	National indicator 188 is included. The aim of NI188 is to: "embed the management of climate risks and opportunities across the local authority and partners services, plans and estates and to take appropriate adaptive actions where required."  The Without Walls partnership has set the LAA Local Improvement Target for NI188 at: 2008-09: Level 1 2009-10: Level 1 2010-11: Level 2	The Local Plan should embed climate change adaptation and mitigation when developing planning policy	The SA should use the findings and targets for the SA framework and analysis.
<b>Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (CYC, 2011 and 2013)</b>			
The City of York Council's Strategic Flood Risk Assessment assesses the different levels of flood risk in the York area and provides maps of this information. The study also recognises the increasing threat of global warming and explains how climate change could increase flood risk in York due to more intense rainfall, which would increase peak rivers flows.  The study provides concise information on flood risk issues to aid planners in the preparation of the Development Plan and in the assessment of future planning applications.	The main target is to minimise flood risk for people and property in York through ensuring development is built in low risk areas and subject to sequential and exception tests where necessary.	The Local Plan needs to ensure policies minimise flood risk to people and property	The SA should incorporate Flood risk into its objectives as a major sustainability consideration for the city.
<b>Heritage Topics Paper (CYC, 2014)</b>			



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<p>This paper sets out to consider existing evidence relating to the City of York's historic environment and how the evidence is translated into our understanding of the city's special qualities and its complex 2000 year history. This evidence and understanding is then used to explain the six principle characteristics of the historic environment that help define the special qualities of York.</p>	<p>This paper does not have any targets but sets out a number of factors, theme and characteristics to be taken into account throughout the plan's preparation.</p> <p>The characteristics in this report also for the basis for a 'Heritage Impact Assessment' for the development plan and it's policies.</p>	<p>The Local plan should use this document to understand the importance of York's historic assets and character. This should be factored into policy development.</p>	<p>The SA will use the topic paper and its impact assessment directly to assess a policy's impact on the historic environment.</p>
<p><b>Greenbelt Appraisal 2003 and Technical paper 2011</b></p>			
<p>The Appraisal examines the policy context surrounding the Green Belt. It then draws on this analysis to define the purpose of York's Green Belt, before going on to indicate in map form where its most valuable components lie.</p> <p>The Appraisal identifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strays;</li> <li>• Green Wedges;</li> <li>• Extensions to the Green Wedges;</li> <li>• River Corridors;</li> <li>• Areas retaining the rural setting of the City;</li> <li>• Village Settings;</li> <li>• Areas preventing coalescence.</li> </ul>		<p>Planning for sites and the spatial development of York should consider this evidence</p>	<p>The SA should use this as baseline and constraints to analyse the policies and allocation of sites.</p>
<p><b>York's Landscape Appraisal (1996)</b></p>			
<p>In order to understand more about York, an assessment of York's landscape character was undertaken to establish landscape character types together with strategies for their management.</p> <p>The York Landscape Appraisal was prepared by the Environmental Consultancy, University of Sheffield. The document addressed the following key objectives, which were set out by the City of York Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To broadly survey, analyse and describe the landscape character of the areas outside the built up areas of the City, identifying individual landscape characteristics which contribute to the setting of each settlement;</li> <li>• To look at the landscape quality in the context of the development needs of the City and the formation of a landscape framework;</li> <li>• To provide a means of assessing the relative merits of potential development sites in relation to each other.</li> </ul>		<p>Planning for sites and the spatial development of York should consider this evidence</p>	<p>The SA should use this as baseline and constraints to analyse the policies and allocation of sites.</p>
<p><b>Houses in Multiple Occupation Technical Paper and HMO Supplementary Planning Guidance (2012)</b></p>			
<p>This technical paper sets out the background information to the Article 4 Direction and HMO SPD for the city.</p>	<p>This paper sets out a need for balanced communities and involves planning applications being subject to calculations to determine the concentration of HMOs in an area. The SPD advocates that a high concentration would be over 20% and further change of use in these areas would be resisted.</p>	<p>The Local Plan has to plan for ll types and mix of households. It should also aim for balanced and inclusive communities.</p>	<p>The SA should be aware for the need of different household types and need throughout the policy analysis.</p>
<p><b>Gypsy, Roma, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Accommodation Assessment (2014)</b></p>			
<p>To understand the accommodation needs of our communities an Accommodation Assessment was</p>	<p>The report identifies a requirement for gypsy and traveller pitches and travelling show people plots as follows:</p>	<p>The Local Plan has to plan for ll types and mix of households. It</p>	<p>The SA should be aware for the need of different household types</p>



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<b>Local Plan Evidence: Open Space and Green Infrastructure (2014)</b>															
<p>The Open Space, Sport and Recreation Study outlines the proposed local standards for open space.</p> <p>It assesses open spaces of public value which offer important opportunities for sport and recreation. The Study includes the background to the process, methodology for undertaking the study, strategic context, and then addresses the quantity, quality and accessibility for each type of open space, as part of the PPG17 Assessment. Finally, the study considers the strategy, key priorities and implementation of the outcomes</p>	No targets are included. However, a series of standards for provision are set out within the document.	The Local Plan should ensure that provision and access to open space is considered as part of the development plan	The SA should be aware for the need of promoting the provision and accessibility of open space.												
<b>NEIGHBOURING DISTRICT COUNCIL DOCUMENTS</b>															
<b>Selby District Council Core Strategy Local Plan (2013)</b>															
<p>The Selby Core Strategy Local Plan aims to provide a spatial strategy for future development within Selby for the plan period up to 2027.</p> <p>The Core Strategy sets the following aims to try and ensure the Council's vision of creating a distinctive rural District will be delivered in a sustainable manner.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish a spatial context for meeting the housing, economic, recreational. Infrastructure and social needs of Selby District</li> <li>Ensure that new development is sustainable and that it contributes to mitigating and adapting to the future impacts of climate change</li> <li>Ensure that new development and other actions protects and enhances the built and natural environment, reinforces the distinct identity of towns and villages, and supports community health and wellbeing. Including new communities.</li> </ul>	The strategy has a focus on economic and housing growth with a target of delivering 450 dwellings per annum	There is the potential for interaction between this strategy and York Local Plan leading to cumulative effects													

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Selby District are currently working towards a site allocations document.			
<b>Harrogate District Core Strategy (2009) (a new Local Plan is currently being prepared)</b>			
<p>The Harrogate Core Strategy sets out the direction and strategy for development and conservation in the District up to the year 2021.</p> <p>The Core Strategy has identified objectives under six key themes which include settlement growth, homes for local people, jobs and business, travel, environment and communities.</p> <p>The council is working towards a new local plan for the Harrogate district, which is scheduled for adoption by Spring 2019.</p>	The strategy has a focus on housing growth with a target of 390 dwellings per annum.		
<b>Ryedale District Council Local Plan Strategy (2013)</b>			
Ryedale Local Plan Strategy aims to create opportunities to retain and create jobs, skills and prosperity, to work towards rebalancing the age structure of the District, protect and enhance the safety and well-being of local communities and to protect and enhance the environment.	The strategy has a focus on economic and housing growth and aims to deliver at least 3000 new homes over the plan period to 2027.	There is the potential for interaction between this strategy and York Local Plan leading to cumulative effects	
<b>East Riding Local Plan (2016)</b>			
<p>East Riding Local Plan Strategy sets the overall strategic direction for the Local Plan, providing strategic policies to guide decisions on planning applications for the plan period up to 2029.</p> <p>The Strategy sets out 21 objectives which are categorised by the following themes, spatial strategy, a healthy and balanced housing market, a prosperous economy, a high quality environment and a strong and healthy community.</p> <p>The Site Allocations Documents allocates sites for specific uses including housing, employment, retail, open space and transport.</p>	The strategy has a focus on economic growth with the allocation of 235 ha of employment land and on housing growth making provision for at least 23,800 dwellings between 2012 and 2029	There is the potential for interaction between this strategy and York Local Plan leading to cumulative effects	
<b>Hambleton District Council Core Strategy (2007) (a new Local Plan is currently being prepared and is at Preferred Options stage)</b>			
Hambleton Council's Core Strategy sets out the long term spatial vision for Hambleton to become sustainable, prosperous, safe, healthy and vibrant.	The strategy has a focus on economic and housing growth	There is the potential for interaction between this strategy and York Local Plan leading to cumulative effects	



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<p>The Core Strategy identifies 12 objectives, which include to ensure development is sustainable, to reduce the need to travel, to support thriving and sustainable communities and to accommodate future population and employment growth.</p> <p>Hambleton Development Policies DPD was adopted in 2008 and the emerging Site Allocations Document in 2010.</p> <p>Hambleton Council are currently working on a new Local Plan. This Plan will set out how much land should be provided to accommodate new homes and jobs that are needed within Hambleton up to 2035 and where this should be located.</p>			

# Appendix E

## Appraisal of Development Principles

**Table E.1 Effects of Development Principles (DP1-DP4) Policies**

\*Consideration of the likely significant effects includes short, medium and long-term effects, permanent and temporary effects, positive and negative effects, as appropriate.

Vision and Development Principles						
SA Objective	DP1: York Sub Area	DP2: Sustainable Development	DP3: Sustainable Communities	DP4: Approach to Development Management	Cumulative Assessment of Draft Planning Policies	Commentary on the effects of each policy*
1. To meet the diverse housing needs of the population in a sustainable way.	++/-	++	++	+	++/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>It is considered that the implementation of policies DP1 – DP4 will have a significant positive effect on meeting the diverse housing needs of the population. Policy DP1 includes an aim to ensure that the City of York’s current and future population including that arising from economic and institutional growth is met within the York local authority area and development should not have an adverse effect upon the City of York or features extending beyond its own boundaries. However, this policy aspiration is encapsulated in SS1 and minor effects have therefore been assessed here as the provision does not fully meet the need figure identified in the SHMA 2017 update prepared for the Council by GL Hearn.</p> <p>This positive assessment is repeated for Policy DP2 which identifies that strong communities will be built by addressing the housing and community needs of York’s current and future population whilst Policy DP3 seeks to create a sustainable, balanced community through the provision of an appropriate range of housing. Policy DP4 has been appraised positively on the basis that the Council will take a positive approach to determining planning applications which reflects the presumption in favour of sustainable development contained within the NPPF.</p>

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						<p><b>Mitigation</b> No mitigation required.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> No assumptions identified.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> None.</p>
2. Improve the health and well-being of York's population.	++	++	++	+	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>It is expected that policies DP1-DP3 will make a significant contribution to improving the health and well-being of the City's population. The policies seek to promote public transport, improving cycle and pedestrian networks (thus providing an alternative to the private car). The policies also make provision to improve air quality and to limit environmental nuisance from development.</p> <p>Access to natural and semi-natural environments of various kinds, and in reasonable proximity to where people live and work, is a long-proven benefit to human health. These policies will make a fundamental contribution to help realise that potential.</p> <p>The policies have the potential to make a significant contribution to maintaining and enhancing the image of the City as a pleasant place to live, work and visit, in turn benefitting the City's economy and hence well-being of the population.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> No mitigation required.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> No assumptions</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The extent to which trends in car use, for example, can be stemmed and substituted with more sustainable modes of transport.</p>

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3. Improve education, skills development and training for an effective workforce.	+	++	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Education attainment in York is identified as being high, GCSE/GNVQ and GCE/VCE A/AS Level achievements are significantly higher than both the Yorkshire and Humber region and England average. Policy DP2 states that the development will help build strong communities through facilitating the provision of sufficient preschool, primary and secondary education and supporting further and higher education and through the provision of targeted training and recruitment. Policy DP1 states that the plan will aim to ensure the further success of regionally and sub regionally important higher and further education institutions within the plan area.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>None required.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>No assumptions</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The provision of targeted recruitment and training is not clearly defined.</p>
4. Create jobs and deliver growth of a sustainable, low carbon and inclusive economy.	++	++	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The role of the local plan in achieving this objective will be to promote private sector employment growth through the provision of sites and infrastructure to deliver over 13,600 additional jobs up to 2038 with re-profiled employment growth sectors. Policy DP1 and DP2 set the context for the Local Plan to deliver these jobs and for York to fulfil its role as a key economic driver within both the Leeds City Region and York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP. The emphasis upon strengthening York's retail role and supporting higher and further education as well as promoting strategic employment sites will assist in meeting this objective. The benefits associated with the implementation of these policies are anticipated to be delivered in the medium to long term.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>None required.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p>

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						<p>No assumptions.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>No uncertainties.</p>
5. Help deliver equality and access to all.	++	++	++	+	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The implementation of these development principles policies will help to ensure that there is access to employment, educational, public transport and housing provision across the City to meet the requirements of the existing and future population of York. The most significant opportunities for new provision will be associated with large scale developments. The cumulative impacts of change could be significant over the longer term.</p> <p>Benefits over the short and longer term are likely to be realised.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>No mitigation required.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>Assumed that there will be consistent policy implementation.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>None</p>
6. Reduce the need to travel and deliver a sustainable integrated transport network.	++	++	++	+	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The policies DP1-DP3 have been appraised positively against this Objective. This is on the basis that economic and housing growth is delivered alongside the delivery of supporting infrastructure to encourage and facilitate increased public transport use as well as improved cycling and pedestrian networks in order to create more sustainable forms of travel both between existing centres and new developments and those proposed strategic sites. Policy DP4 reflects that proposals which are in accordance with the Local Plan will be approved and as such this policy has been appraised positively against this objective.</p> <p>Benefits are likely to be secured over the short, medium and longer term and have the potential to be City-wide, although the contribution of</p>



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						<p>sustainable travel plans could be significant factor in successfully achieving the Objective.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> The preparation and implementation of sustainable travel plans.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Implementation of sustainable travel initiatives</p>
7. To minimise greenhouse gases that cause climate change and deliver a managed response to its effects.	++	++	++	0	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b> The positive effectiveness of Policies DP1-DP3 are closely aligned with Objective 6. In promoting the City Centre as a shopping and leisure destination, improving public transport links, cycle and pedestrian networks has the potential to play an important role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions related to motor transport. However the increase in population and economic growth is likely to generate an increase in vehicle use over the existing baseline, therefore mitigation in the form of travel plans will be essential to help reduce these greenhouse gas emissions.</p> <p>Benefits are likely to be realised over the medium to longer as the implementation of improved infrastructure is delivered.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> Ensuring that new development is appropriately supported by and cross-referenced to sustainable design and travel initiatives, environmental quality policies and design policies.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Policy integration to address climate change.</p>

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8. Conserve or enhance green infrastructure, biodiversity, geodiversity, flora and fauna for accessible high quality and connected natural environment.	++	++	++	+	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Policy DP1-DP3 have been appraised positively against Objective 8 by virtue of their emphasis upon conserving York's natural environment and safeguarding important landscapes, biodiversity and strategic green corridors/green infrastructure. There is also emphasis upon habitat restoration and creation as to deliver new development within a framework of linked multifunctional green infrastructure which has linkages with the wider green infrastructure network.</p> <p>In accordance with the appraisal of Green Infrastructure policies the particular challenge rests in policy implementation and the extent to which, through the commitment to the preparation of Green Infrastructure Strategy for the City, genuine connectivity between various open space resources can be achieved, and consequently the ability to address various agendas including more sustainable travel and equality of access to open spaces.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> Longer term aspiration based on short and medium term activity.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Consistency and timeframe of policy implementation. The extent which new development can contribute to the City's overall GI network in a coherent fashion.</p>
9. Use land resources efficiently and safeguard their quality.	+	+	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The safeguarding of important landscapes, biodiversity and areas of environmental character, reducing waste by reusing and recycling and maximising the use of secondary aggregates will help to realise this objective. Adopting the highest standards of sustainability at all stages of a development has the potential to reduce land resources.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p>



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						<p>None identified.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> None identified.</p>
10. Improve water efficiency and quality.	+	+	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The policies will make an important contribution to the maintenance and enhancement of water quality through the development of linked multifunctional green infrastructure and through habitat restoration and creation which provide natural filtration of run-off, helping to manage runoff patterns and intensity and promoting the efficient working of natural systems.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> None identified.</p>
11. Reduce waste generation and increase level of reuse and recycling.	+	++	++	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Implementation of policy DP2 (along with WM1 and WM2) will promote the reduction of waste levels through the reduction, reusing and recycling hierarchy. The policy also identifies that new waste management facilities will be provided. Policy DP3 has been appraised positively on the basis of its emphasis upon ensuring the highest standards of sustainability being embedded at all stages of a development, it is assumed that this will promote concepts of waste reduction during construction and operation of new development. This could be enhanced by making the connection explicit rather than assumed.</p>

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						<p>All of the measures in these policies are therefore likely to have significant positive effects on reducing waste generation.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> The criteria 'to ensure that the highest standards of sustainability are embedded at all stages of development' could be enhanced through the inclusion of specific examples such as low carbon, zero waste and sustainable design.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> None identified.</p>
12. Improve air quality.	+	++	++	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b> Promoting sustainable patterns of growth, supported by integrated pedestrian, cycle and green infrastructure networks has the potential to improve air quality across the city by encouraging more sustainable travel options which will help to minimise vehicle emissions. The positive effects of these policies against this objective are likely to be experienced within the medium to long term as the enhancement and promotion of sustainable access will take time to develop alongside the implementation of sustainable travel plans.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Implementing sustainable travel initiatives such as through sustainable travel plans and pedestrian and cycling networks which presents genuine travel choices.</p>

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SA Objective	DP1: York Sub Area	DP2: Sustainable Development	DP3: Sustainable Communities	DP4: Approach to Development Management	Cumulative Assessment of Draft Planning Policies	Commentary on the effects of each policy*
13. Minimise flood risk and reduce the impact of flooding to people and property in York.	++	++	++	+	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Policy DP1-DP3 provides the overarching framework for development within the City. Policy DP1 states that the Local Plan will ensure that development within the City of York will not result in flooding within adjacent local authority areas. DP2 and DP3 states that new development will protect the environment by ensuring that new development is not subject to or does not contribute to flooding.</p> <p>Policies DP2 and DP3 also address Green Infrastructure which is an important part of the City's flood management regime, through providing areas for water to pond during periods of high rainfall and providing buffer areas between river corridors and residential and commercial properties.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The nature and extent of climate change and extreme events both of which might require a significantly greater contribution from green infrastructure in helping to mitigate their effects.</p>
14. Conserve or enhance York's historic environment, cultural heritage, character and setting.	++	++	++	+	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>York's unique historic character and setting is identified as being an essential component of its continued economic success. Policies DP1-DP3 provides an overarching framework for the protection of York's historic environment, cultural heritage, heritage and setting. Policy DP1 states that the local plan will conserve and enhance York's historic environment and to define green belt boundaries which will help to preserve the character and setting of York. Conserving and enhancing York's special character is repeated in Policy DP2 and repeated in DP3 which also includes an emphasis on new development delivering high quality design and ensuring appropriate building materials are used. New development is also expected to relate well to the surrounding area and its historic character and to exploit opportunities for creating new and enhancing existing key views.</p> <p>The implementation of these policies, along with Policies D1-D13 (as well as the rest of the plan) will result in significant positive effects in</p>

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						<p>the short, medium and long term.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Ensuring long term commitments to resource protection and enhancement.</p>
15. Protect and enhance York's natural and built landscape.	++	++	++	+	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b> Strongly related to Objectives 8 and 14, the City's approach to conserving and enhancing green infrastructure, conserving York's special character and heritage and enhancing the natural environment is an integral part of securing this Objective, although it can be vulnerable to long term, cumulative change associated with new development. As such it will be important to ensure that a strategic view is taken on overall development activity and the potential effects of cumulative change.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> Assessment of potential cumulative impacts.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None identified.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Extent, character and possible cumulative effects of City-wide development over the plan period.</p>
<b>Summary</b>						
The appraisal of the Development Principles Policies has identified significant positive effects across all objectives. As such these policies are fundamental to realising the sustainable development aspirations for the						

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						<p>City over the short, medium and longer term in creating a framework for the Local Plan which seeks to promote growth in a sustainable manner which respects the unique characteristics of the City of York.</p> <p>Their effective implementation will make an important contribution to the future development of York (and the wider Leeds City Region and York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP) whilst protecting and enhancing the City's built and natural environment, facilitating sustainable means of travel with direct benefits on the health of local residents (through improved air quality and opportunities for exercise).</p> <p>Positive significant effects were identified against all of the objectives.</p> <p>No negative effects were identified.</p>

**Key**

Symbol	Likely Effect on the SA Objective
++	The policy is likely to have a significant positive effect
+	The policy is likely to have a positive effect
0	No significant effect / no clear link
?	Uncertain or insufficient information on which to determine effect
-	The policy is likely to have a negative effect
--	The policy is likely to have a significant negative effect



# Appendix F

## Appraisal of Spatial Strategy Policies

**Table F.1 Effects of Spatial Strategy (SS1-24) Policies**

\*Consideration of the likely significant effects includes short, medium and long-term effects, permanent and temporary effects, positive and negative effects, as appropriate.

SA Objective	Spatial Strategy												Cumulative effect of the draft policies	Commentary on effects of each policy*	
	SS1: Delivering Sustainable Growth for York	SS2: The Role of York's Green Belt	SS3: York City Centre	SS4: York Central	SS5: Castle Gateway	SS6: British Sugar/Manor School	SS7: Civil Service Sports Ground	SS8: Land adjacent to Hull Road	SS9: Land East of Metcalfe Lane	SS10: Land North of Monks Cross	SS11: Land North of Haxby	SS12: Land West of Wigginton Road			
1. To meet the diverse housing needs of the population in a sustainable way.	+/-	+	++	++	+	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The effects of the majority of the policies on this Objective is predicted to be positive or significantly positive given their role in helping to meet the housing needs for the City. The scale of provision, cumulatively and associated with the strategic sites (SS3-4 and SS6 - SS12), means that a range of housing (including affordable and self/custom build) can be provided to meet specific needs of the City identified in the SHMA.</p> <p>SS1 is considered to have mixed positive and negative effects. SS1 sets out the housing requirement to deliver the baseline housing growth (a minimum of 867 dwellings per annum) over the plan period (2017/18 – 2032/33) and beyond (2032/33 to 2037/38) based on the latest (2016) CLG sub-national household growth projections; as set out in the technical work prepared by GL Hearn for the Council in the Strategic Housing Market Assessment update (2017). The scale of development meets the projected baseline growth in the City over the plan period and is</p>

														<p>considered to be the objectively assessed housing need for York in the explanatory text to Policy SS1. However, it does not reflect fully the upward adjustment made in the SHMA for market signals such as land prices, affordability etc (the SHMA technical work included a 10% upward adjustment is added to make a housing figure of 953dpa).</p> <p>Although minor positive effects related to the policy in relation to achieving this objective have therefore been found, minor negative effects have also been assessed in the longer term as the does not meet housing figure in the SHMA, when adjusted for market signals in line with the Planning Practice Guidance. However, the extent to which negative effects are realised is dependent on delivery of housing above the minimum provision identified in SS1 during the lifetime of the plan. Careful monitoring is required to measure the delivery of housing during the plan period.</p> <p>The scale of proposed development at the strategic sites also means that opportunities for a high degree of self-containment in basic service provision can be secured. Delivery of the policies is a long term aspiration which will cover the plan period and beyond. The cumulative effects of policy implementation will require close monitoring.</p> <p>SS5 has been assessed as having a positive effect as the redevelopment and enhancements to Castle Gateway envisaged will provide environmental and cultural benefits and greater connectivity, helping to support the sustainability of residential areas and attractiveness of the City as a place to live and work.</p> <p>Cumulatively, the policies are therefore considered to have mixed significant positive and minor negative effects.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As set out in the policies on strategic sites, criteria specifying how the baseline housing need as expressed in the SHMA should be met.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>That housing need across the City will be met through a combination of strategic and local sites, and the proportion of affordable housing reflects local requirements.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The rate of housing delivery on strategic sites and the early provision of basic services. Additionally, the delivery above the minimum housing requirement in SS1 which may lessen potential for negative effects in the long term.</p>
<p>2. Improve the health and well-being of York's population.</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>+</p>	<p>+</p>	<p>+</p>	<p>+</p>	<p>+</p>	<p>+</p>	<p>+</p>	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Notwithstanding the complexity of seeking to improve health and well-being, these policies should assist with providing the context for this to happen, through the provision of new high quality housing and mixed use development (SS1 and SS3, SS4 and SS6 - SS12), policies to promote sustainable transport and preventing unacceptable levels of congestion and pollution, including air quality (SS1) and policies for the protection and enhancement of access to open space (formal and informal) at a City-wide scale (through SS2) and in relation to strategic sites (SS3-</p>	

														<p>12) where open space and service provision will accompany housing and other development.</p> <p>Policies SS3, SS4 and SS5 will also contribute positively to the enhancement and revitalisation of the city centre and Castle Gateway, including the public realm and open space improvements.</p> <p>Realisation of provision will be across the Plan period and beyond and cumulatively, the policies should result in significant positive effects if the stated mitigation criteria are adhered to.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As per criteria set out in strategic site policies SS3-12 along with monitoring of cumulative impacts.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>That new and existing provision will be co-ordinated for the benefit of existing and new residents.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The consistency of implementation in respect of service provision, particularly for large strategic sites which are relatively remote from existing provision.</p>
<p>3. Improve education, skills development and training for an effective workforce.</p>	+	0	+	+	+	++	+	+	++	++	+	++	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The construction of new homes ((SS1 and SS3-12) could create jobs and potentially training opportunities for local people in the construction industry and raise skill levels in this sector. However, any positive effects would depend upon the approach taken by house builders as to whether training opportunities and skills development benefited local people and therefore had any positive effects on this objective.</p> <p>The scale of proposed development is such that there are significant opportunities to secure mixed use development across a number of sites, thereby offering employment opportunities and depending on the new businesses, training opportunities for existing and new residents. The extent and likely character of employment provision will vary significantly by site, with proposals for York City Centre (SS3) and York Central (SS4) for example offering significant mixed use development opportunities for residents in the vicinity and further afield.</p> <p>Policies SS6, SS, SS10 and SS12 explicitly require onsite education provision. They have been assessed as having a significant positive effect on this objective.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As set out in criteria associated with strategic site policies.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>That implementation of policy will be consistent with other policies on encouraging employment growth and skills development.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p>



<p>5. Help deliver equality and access to all.</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>+</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The effects of these policies on this Objective is predicted to be positive or significantly positive given their role in helping to meet the objectively assessed housing need for the City.</p> <p>SS1 seeks to conserve and enhance (inter alia) areas with an important recreation function, ensure accessibility to a range of services, and maintain the city centre for main town centre uses. This will help to promote access and equality for all communities within York. SS5 promotes the revitalisation of the Castle Gateway and seeks public realm and accessibility improvements in this key location.</p> <p>The scale of provision, cumulatively and associated with the strategic mixed and housing sites (SS3, SS4 and SS6-SS12) and the proposed broad distribution means that a range of housing and community facilities can be provided (particularly affordable housing) to meet specific needs. The scale of proposed development also means that opportunities for a high degree of self-containment in basic service provision can be secured. Delivery of the policies is a long term aspiration which will cover the plan period and beyond. The cumulative effects of policy implementation will require close monitoring.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As set out in the policies on strategic sites, criteria specifying how housing need and demand as expressed in the SHMA should be met.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>That housing need across the City will be met through a combination of strategic and local sites, and the proportion of affordable housing reflects local requirements.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The rate of housing delivery on strategic sites and the early provision of basic services.</p>
<p>6. Reduce the need to travel and deliver a sustainable integrated transport network.</p>	<p>+/-</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>++</p>	<p>+/-</p>	<p>+/-</p>	<p>+/-</p>	<p>+/-</p>	<p>+/-</p>	<p>+/-</p>	<p>+/-</p>	<p>++/-</p>	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Growth across the City and through the strategic sites in particular offers opportunities to develop a better integrated transport system for the benefit of residents, workers and visitors. Policy SS1 includes ensuring accessibility to sustainable transport modes as a key spatial principle, which in conjunction with other policies in the plan (notably T1) would help to reduce the need to travel. However, the provision of some 17,600 homes between 2012/13 and 2032/33 for an increase of approximately 40,000 in the population will lead to an increase the number of private cars within the City. There is the potential for the increase in vehicles to lead to an increase vehicle movements, although whether that will be within the City or the strategic road network that is affected is uncertain.</p> <p>The proposed strategic sites are in some cases set apart from key areas of higher order service provision and as such are likely to generate significant car-base trips, although some degree of self-containment will be secured on the larger sites.</p>

														<p>By contrast, the redevelopment proposals associated with York City Centre (SS3) and York Central (SS4) offer significant opportunities to provide for the co-location of living, working, shopping and other recreation whilst Castle Gateway (SS6) will (inter alia) deliver cycle and pedestrian improvements.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As stated in Policies SS3-12.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> As part of strategic site delivery, significant improvements in sustainable transport provision can occur.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The extent to which City-wide growth, particularly associated with the strategic sites, will lead to greater or less self-containment or further spread unsustainable commuting, for example.</p>
<p>7. To minimise greenhouse gases that cause climate change and deliver a managed response to its effects.</p>	+/-	0	+	+	+	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The likely effects of these policies are mixed, reflecting increased emissions associated with development but also opportunities for limiting carbon dioxide emissions through energy efficiency measures, renewable energy generation and facilitating sustainable travel. Experience in the City (Derwenthorpe) and around the country suggests that whilst considerable progress is possible, there remains a significant gap to be bridged in to approach carbon neutrality. The full effects of the policies will only be measurable over the longer term and as part of an assessment of the cumulative effects of development as a whole.</p> <p>In a similar way to Objective 5 the effects of SS3-SS5 are considered to be positive, due to the location and mix of development proposed in policies SS3 and SS4, and the sustainable travel enhancements envisaged in SS6.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As outlined in Policies SS6-13, but could potentially be more radical.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The extent to which potential sustainability measures (e.g. renewable power generation) are realised, particularly on the larger strategic sites.</p>

<p>8. Conserve or enhance green infrastructure, biodiversity, geodiversity, flora and fauna for accessible high quality and connected natural environment.</p>	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Notwithstanding greenfield land-take associated with new development (and hence potential loss or displacement of assets), there is a significant opportunity to realise improvements to the City's green infrastructure network (including open space, biodiversity and geodiversity) through new provision, making links between existing resources and enhancing the management of resources, as well access enhancement generally. Under the guidance of a comprehensive approach to green infrastructure there is potential to enhance assets and access for the benefit of existing and future residents. Long term management of resources will be critical to ensure that improvements are sustainable.</p> <p>Policy SS4 seeks to maximise connectivity in the green infrastructure network. SS6 seeks the maximisation of links to the existing green infrastructure network and delivery of new green infrastructure as part of the Acomb/River Ouse corridor. SS10 seeks an increase in biodiversity and connectivity within the natural environment.</p> <p>The Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) preliminary screening screened out the policies in this section for their likely significant effects alone or in combination.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>Management of green infrastructure resources to enhance quality and accessibility.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>Protection of statutory and non-statutory biodiversity sites.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The extent to which connectivity of green infrastructure assets can be secured and over what timescale, using new development to assist this.</p>
<p>9. Use land resources efficiently and safeguard their quality.</p>	+/-	+	+	++	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>SS1 seeks the redevelopment of brownfield land to be phased first, where viable and deliverable. However, a significant proportion of new development on strategic housing sites (Policies SS6-SS12) will be located on greenfield land, and as such will result in the irreversible loss of this resource. A number of strategic sites e.g. ST14: Land to the West of Wigginton Road and ST4 includes land identified as Grade1-3 Agricultural land.</p> <p>However, the scale of these developments offers significant opportunities for comprehensive masterplanning which would enhance green infrastructure resources. The loss of greenfield land is to some degree balanced by the continued protection of the Green Belt (SS2) through the plan period and beyond and brownfield regeneration of sites within the existing urban area. The net effect of the policies is therefore judged to have both positive and negative effects.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p>



														<p>Masterplanning of strategic development sites to include significant elements of new and enhanced green infrastructure which help to compensate for greenfield land-take.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> None identified.</p>
10. Improve water efficiency and quality.	+/-	0	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>An increase in population anticipated by SS1 will have an inevitable negative impact on overall water usage and consumption across the City. This is reflected in Yorkshire Water's Water Resource Management Plan which identifies a deficit between supply and demand from 2.67MI/d in 2018/19 increasing to 108.65MI/d in 2039/40 for the water resource zone in which York is located. Please note however that the water resource zone encompasses Leeds, Bradford, Sheffield and Hull. However, the scale of proposed development, particularly at the strategic sites covered by policies SS3, SS4 and SS6-SS12, offers potential for the development of significant sustainable water management initiatives through rainwater recycling, SUDS and water-efficient housing. In addition, Yorkshire Water's Water Resources Management Plan proposes a range of solutions to ultimately meet the forecast supply demand deficit. The options selected include leakage reduction, use of an existing river abstraction licence and a three groundwater schemes.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> None required.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> That implementation of policy will be consistent with other policies on encouraging sustainable construction and operation.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The extent to which such measures will contribute to the overall sustainability of the housing stock.</p>
11. Reduce waste generation and increase level of reuse and recycling.	+/-	0	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The construction and use of the proposed development would inevitably result in an increase in waste generation which could have adverse effects in relation to this objective. However, the scale of proposed development, particularly at the strategic sites covered by policies SS5-10, offers potential for the development of significant sustainable waste management initiatives through re-use and recycling initiatives. As exemplars, practices could be spread across the City over time. In addition, the strategic policies will operate in conjunction with others in the plan, such as policy WM1 which will require the integration of facilities for waste prevention, re-use, recycling, composting, and recovery in association with the planning, construction and</p>

														<p>occupation of new developments. This requirement would help reduce waste consumption associated with new housing development and to increase levels of reuse and recycling.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> None required.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> That implementation of policy will be consistent with other policies on encouraging sustainable lifestyles.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The extent to which such measures will contribute to the overall sustainability of the lifestyles in the City.</p>
12. Improve air quality.	+/-	0	+	+	+	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b> The likely effects of these policies are mixed, reflecting increased emissions associated with development but also opportunities for instituting wide-ranging sustainable travel measures.</p> <p>New development covered by the policies in this chapter could have an adverse impact on air quality in York. This could occur during construction of any new development and could be related to dust and particulate matter although such effects will be very localised. In addition as they are subject to a variety of policies in the plan, notably, ENV1 which states that 'development will only be permitted if the impact on air quality is acceptable and mechanisms are in place to mitigate adverse impacts and reduce further exposure to poor air quality', it is likely that such effects, if they do occur, will be acceptable.</p> <p>The promotion of walking and cycling suggests that considerable progress is possible, although car use remains relatively high throughout the City. The full effects of the policies will only be measurable over the longer term and as part of an assessment of the cumulative effects of development as a whole.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As outlined in Policies SS6-13, but could potentially be more radical.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The extent to which potential sustainable travel measures are realised, particularly on the larger strategic sites.</p>
13. Minimise flood risk and reduce the impact of	+/ ?	0	0	0	+/ ?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b> Development principles within policy SS1 pay particular attention to flood risk and as such no negative effects are anticipated. However, whilst immediate risk can be reduced, extreme events will occur which place existing and new residents at risk.</p>

flooding to people and property in York.														<p>The extent to which additional development increases this risk is uncertain. Policy SS5 seeks consideration of flood improvement work for Castle Piccadilly and Foss Basin and the Ouse Riverside which may provide minor positive effects against this objective. However, this is uncertain at this stage, dependent on scheme design at application stage.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As per masterplanning proposals for strategic sites, utilising SUDS etc.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> Up to date modelling of flood risk is maintained and influences decision making.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Changes in future flood risk from current modelling.</p>
14. Conserve or enhance York's historic environment, cultural heritage, character and setting.	++	++	+	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	++/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Significant levels of new development will inevitably bring change to the character of the City, particularly where this is associated with strategic sites which envisage substantial tracts of new housing, in addition to the required release of Green Belt land. The re-definition of the City's Green Belt through policy SS2 (notwithstanding removal of land for development) will help to re-affirm the role of this policy instrument in helping to protect the overall spatial form of the City and concentration of development in the urban area, with attendant sustainability benefits. SS1 will also help to manage change and protect the historic environment. This has been assessed as having a significant positive effect on this objective.</p> <p>However, such change can be positive where the creation of new communities helps to address social inclusion and bring service provision and economic prosperity. Effects on the setting of the City can also be managed through land release which does not have a significant visual impact.</p> <p>The HIA identifies a number of negative impacts likely as a result of development at various strategic site locations (notably ST5, ST1, ST2, ST4, ST7, ST8, ST9, ST15, ST14, ST20) but these are addressed through the corresponding strategic policies SS4 to SS13. Policies SS4 to SS12 have therefore been assessed as having positive or negative effects. The implementation of other policies in the plan (placemaking, heritage, design and culture), archaeological mitigation strategies and masterplanning will help mitigation of any negative effects. The presence and extent of negative effects of these policies are to some extent uncertain at this stage.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As proposed under policies SS4-13 which emphasise the need to respect and where possible enhance local context.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> Masterplanning ensures that new development respects, enhances and creates local character, in particular the City's Green Infrastructure network. Particular</p>



														<p>attention needs to be paid to the approach taken on sites within or near the City Centre.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Potential cumulative impacts of development over the longer term.</p>
15. Protect and enhance York's natural and built landscape.	++	++	+	0	+	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	++/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b> The diversity in scale, type and timing, of development proposals across the City means that there will be significant opportunities to secure new patterns of development which do not detract from and enhance the character of the natural and built landscape of the City. This will demand different approaches according to location. The HIA notes that some change is inevitable from the implementation of these policies although mitigation measures will ensure that to some extent these are managed. For SS8 the HIA notes that the relationship between the southern edge of the built up area of York and the countryside will be changed. Negative effects have therefore been assessed for this policy. The full effects of the policies on this Objective can only be properly judged over the long term.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> Detailed masterplanning to ensure sensitive integration of new development with existing natural and built landscape.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The cumulative impacts of development on the character of the City.</p>

Spatial Strategy														
SA Objective	SS13: Land West of Elvington Lane	SS14: Terry's Extension Sites 1 and 2	SS15: Nestle South	SS16: Land at Tadcaster Road	SS17: Hungate	SS18: Station Yard, Wheldrake	SS19: Queen Elizabeth	SS20: Imphal Barracks	SS21: Land South of Elvington Airfield Business	SS22: University of York	SS23: Land at Northminster	SS24: Whitehall Grange	Cumulative effect of the draft policies	Commentary on effects of each policy*
1. To meet the diverse housing needs of the population in a sustainable way.	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	+	+	+	+	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The effects of policies SS13-SS20 on this Objective is predicted to be significantly positive given their role in helping to meet the housing requirements set out in SS1. The scale of provision, cumulatively and associated with the strategic sites means that a range of housing can be provided (particularly affordable housing) to meet specific needs of the City identified in the SHMA.</p> <p>The scale of proposed development at the strategic sites also means that opportunities for a high degree of self-containment in basic service provision can be secured. Delivery of the policies is a long term aspiration which will cover the plan period and beyond. The cumulative effects of policy implementation will require close monitoring.</p> <p>Policies SS21, SS22, SS23 and SS24 provide for significant employment land development. Given the mix of employment uses, the existing conditions for growth in the city and the aims of the York Economic Strategy (2016) these strategic policies are likely to contribute to an increase in prosperity. This could both increase demand for new homes and increase people's chances of owning their own home or advancing on the property ladder. The policies have therefore been assessed as having minor positive effects.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As set out in the policies on strategic sites, criteria specifying how the baseline housing need as expressed in the SHMA should be met.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p>

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<p>2. Improve the health and well-being of York's population.</p>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Notwithstanding the complexity of seeking to improve health and well-being, these policies should assist with providing the context for this to happen, through the provision of new high quality housing (SS12 – 24). Additionally, the policies promote sustainable transport, and open space provision. Realisation of provision will be across the Plan period and beyond and cumulatively, the policies should result in positive effects if the stated mitigation criteria are adhered to.</p> <p>Implementation of SS21-SS24 would help to increase the amount of employment land across York and create significant employment opportunities, thereby providing the conditions for sustained economic growth across York. There is a strong evidence base showing that work is generally good for physical and mental health and well-being. Worklessness is associated with poorer physical and mental health and well-being. Full time work generally provides adequate income, essential for material well-being and full participation in today's society; it is also an important provider of social interaction. Policies that increase employment opportunities are therefore appraised as having a minor positive effect on this objective.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As per criteria set out in strategic site policies SS13-24 along with monitoring of cumulative impacts.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>That new and existing provision will be co-ordinated for the benefit of existing and new residents.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The consistency of implementation in respect of service provision, particularly for large strategic sites which are relatively remote from existing provision.</p>

<p>3. Improve education, skills development and training for an effective workforce.</p>	++	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	+	++	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The construction of new homes (SS13 – SS20) could create jobs and potentially training opportunities for local people in the construction industry and raise skill levels in this sector. However, any positive effects would depend upon the approach taken by house builders as to whether training opportunities and skills development benefited local people and therefore had any positive effects on this objective. Policies SS13, SS19 and SS20 explicitly require onsite education provision. They have been assessed as having a significant positive effect on this objective.</p> <p>Implementation of SS21, SS23 and SS24 would help to increase the amount of employment land across York and create significant employment opportunities across a number of employment uses. Whilst it will be dependent on the individual employment practices of any businesses that seek to locate at these sites, the policy creates the opportunity for a positive contribution to this objective. SS22 would support the expansion of (inter alia) research led science park and other higher education uses. The policy is therefore assessed as having a significant positive effect.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As set out in criteria associated with strategic site policies.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>That implementation of policy will be consistent with other policies on encouraging employment growth and skills development.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The extent to which existing residents will benefit from the provision of employment and training opportunities, particularly in the more remote strategic sites.</p>
<p>4. Create jobs and deliver growth of a sustainable, low carbon and inclusive economy.</p>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The jobs required during the construction of the houses under policies SS13-SS20 will bring short, medium and long term benefits to the economy. Following the approach of Policy H4, Policies SS13-120 will also be required to make provision for custom/self-builder plots. In conjunction with H4, these policies look to ensure that local employment opportunities are created.</p> <p>The implementation of Policies SS21 – SS24 will see the delivery of a significant amount of employment land. The implementation of the policies will therefore make an important contribution to the delivery of the York Economic Strategy. The range of sites identified in these policies will help sustain and support economic growth in the City of York over the plan period.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>None required.</p>



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<p>5. Help deliver equality and access to all.</p>	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	++	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b> The effects of these policies on this Objective is predicted to be significantly positive given their role in helping to meet the housing requirement set out in SS1. The scale of provision, cumulatively and associated with the strategic housing sites (SS13-24) and the proposed broad distribution means that a range of housing and community facilities can be provided (particularly affordable housing) to meet specific needs. The scale of proposed development also means that opportunities for a high degree of self-containment in basic service provision can be secured. Delivery of the policies is a long term aspiration which will cover the plan period and beyond. The cumulative effects of policy implementation will require close monitoring.</p> <p>The amount, range and type of employment land provision set out in SS21-SS4 would help to increase job opportunities across York and therefore help to deliver quality and access in respect of job opportunities and have a significant positive effect on this objective.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As set out in the policies on strategic sites, criteria specifying how housing need and demand as expressed in the SHMA should be met.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> That housing need across the City will be met through a combination of strategic and local sites, and the proportion of affordable housing reflects local requirements.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The rate of housing delivery on strategic sites and the early provision of basic services.</p>

<p>6. Reduce the need to travel and deliver a sustainable integrated transport network.</p>	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Growth across the City and through the strategic sites in particular offers opportunities to develop a better integrated transport system for the benefit of residents, workers and visitors. A number of policies (SS13, SS16, SS17, SS22) specifically seek sustainable transport measures, including pedestrian and cycling links and public transport services, to be integrated into schemes. However, there is the potential for the increase in vehicles to lead to an increase in vehicle movements, although whether it is within the City or the strategic road network that is affected is uncertain. The scale of employment development to be delivered through implementation of SS21-SS24 has the potential to support improvements to transport but trips are likely to increase.</p> <p>The proposed strategic sites are in some cases set apart from key areas of higher order service provision and as such are likely to generate significant car-base trips, although some degree of self-containment will be secured on the larger sites (notably Land West of Elvington Lane (SS13)).</p> <p>Minor positive and negative effects on this objective have therefore been found.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As stated in Policies SS13-24.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>As part of strategic site delivery, significant improvements in sustainable transport provision can occur.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The extent to which City-wide growth, particularly associated with the strategic sites, will lead to greater or less self-containment or further spread of unsustainable commuting, for example.</p>
<p>7. To minimise greenhouse gases that cause climate change and deliver a managed response to its effects.</p>	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>In a similar way the consideration of the policies against Objective 6, the likely effects of these policies are mixed, reflecting increased emissions associated with development but also opportunities for limiting carbon dioxide emissions through energy efficiency measures, renewable energy generation and facilitating sustainable travel. Experience in the City (Derwenthorpe) and around the country suggests that whilst considerable progress is possible, there remains a significant gap to be bridged to approach carbon neutrality. The full effects of the policies will only be measurable over the longer term and as part of an assessment of the cumulative effects of development as a whole.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>As outlined in Policies SS13-24, but could potentially be more radical.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p>

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<p>8. Conserve or enhance green infrastructure, biodiversity, geodiversity, flora and fauna for accessible high quality and connected natural environment.</p>	?	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+/?	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Notwithstanding greenfield land-take associated with new development (and hence potential loss or displacement of assets), there is a significant opportunity to realise improvements to the City's green infrastructure network (including open space, biodiversity and geodiversity) through new provision, making links between existing resources and enhancing the management of resources, as well as access enhancement generally. Under the guidance of a Green Infrastructure Strategy there is potential to enhance assets and access for the benefit of existing and future residents. Long term management of resources will be critical to ensure that improvements are sustainable.</p> <p>Within the preliminary Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Policy SS19 was found to cause a likely significant effect (LSE) alone across a range of factors on the adjacent Strensall Common. LSEs from recreational pressure cannot be ruled out. In addition, LSEs arising from possible hydrological effects and increased nitrogen disposition within the SAC arising from vehicle movements cannot be ruled out. Similarly, because of anticipated increases in recreational pressure, Policy SS18 was found to cause a LSE alone on the Lower Derwent Valley. Finally, even though situated several kilometres from the Lower Derwent Valley, Policy SS13 was found to cause a LSE on its wintering bird populations that also use land beyond the European site boundary.</p> <p>The adoption of appropriate mitigation could remove the potential for likely significant effects in relation to SS18. However, at this stage of the assessment, it was not found possible to mitigate policies SS13 or SS19 and these must be subject to an appropriate assessment. Because of these outstanding issues, the Plan must await the outcome of this further scrutiny.</p> <p>Whilst the full effects can only be considered at the detailed planning application stage, the HRA of the housing policies and strategic sites indicates that they are unlikely to have significant adverse effects upon biodiversity sites of international importance.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>Management of green infrastructure resources to enhance quality and accessibility.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>Protection of statutory and non-statutory biodiversity sites. Application of the appropriate assessment for the relevant policies.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p>

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<p>9. Use land resources efficiently and safeguard their quality.</p>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>A significant proportion of new development (Policies SS5-8) will be located on greenfield land, and as such will result in the irreversible loss of this resource. A number of strategic sites e.g. ST4 (Grimston Bar), ST13 (Moor Lane), ST22 (Germany Beck), ST19 (land around Northminster Business Park) and ST7 (Metcalf Lane) include land identified as Grade 2 Agricultural land.</p> <p>However, the scale of these developments offers significant opportunities for comprehensive masterplanning which would enhance green infrastructure resources. The loss of greenfield land is to some degree balanced by the continued protection of the Green Belt (SS2) through the plan period and beyond and brownfield regeneration of sites within the existing urban area. The net effect of the policies is therefore judged to have both positive and negative effects.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>Masterplanning of strategic development sites to include significant elements of new and enhanced green infrastructure which help to compensate for greenfield land-take.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>None identified.</p>

<p>10. Improve water efficiency and quality.</p>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>An increase in population anticipated by SS1 will have an inevitable negative impact on overall water usage and consumption across the City. This is reflected in Yorkshire Water's Water Resource Management Plan which identifies a deficit between supply and demand from 2.67MI/d in 2018/19 increasing to 108.65MI/d in 2039/40 for the water resource zone in which York is located. Please note however that the water resource zone encompasses Leeds, Bradford, Sheffield and Hull. However, the scale of proposed development at the strategic sites covered by policies SS13-24, offers potential for the development of significant sustainable water management initiatives through rainwater recycling, SUDS and water-efficient housing. Additionally non-residential development proposals will be required to meet BREAAAM 'Excellent' standards (under Policy CC2) which includes water efficiency standards. In addition, Yorkshire Water's Water Resources Management Plan proposes a range of solutions to ultimately meet the forecast supply demand deficit. The options selected include leakage reduction, use of an existing river abstraction licence and a three groundwater schemes.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>None required.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>That implementation of policy will be consistent with other policies on encouraging sustainable construction and operation.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The extent to which such measures will contribute to the overall sustainability of the housing stock.</p>
<p>11. Reduce waste generation and increase level of reuse and recycling.</p>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The construction and use of the proposed development would inevitably result in an increase in waste generation which could have adverse effects in relation to this objective. However, the scale of proposed development, at the strategic sites covered by policies SS13-24, offers potential for the development of significant sustainable waste management initiatives through re-use and recycling initiatives. As exemplars, practices could be spread across the City over time. Policies SS13 and SS22 explicitly identify a key principle for development of Land West of Elvington Lane and University of York expansion that synergies between these sites for servicing, including (inter alia) dealing with waste, are exploited. In addition, the strategic policies will operate in conjunction with others in the plan, such as policy WM1 which will require the integration of facilities for waste prevention, re-use, recycling, composting, and recovery in association with the planning, construction and occupation of new developments. This requirement would help reduce waste consumption associated with new housing and employment development and to increase levels of reuse and recycling.</p>



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12. Improve air quality.	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b> The likely effects of these policies are mixed, reflecting increased emissions associated with development but also opportunities for instituting wide-ranging sustainable travel measures.</p> <p>New development covered by the strategic policies in this section could have an adverse impact on air quality in York. This could occur during construction of any new development and could be related to dust and particulate matter although such effects will be very localised. In addition as they are subject to a variety of policies in the plan, notably, ENV1 which states that 'development will only be permitted if the impact on air quality is acceptable and mechanisms are in place to mitigate adverse impacts and prevent further exposure to poor air quality', it is likely that such effects, if they do occur, will be acceptable. Furthermore, all development proposals will be required to be supported with an Emissions Statement.</p> <p>Additionally, SS16 specifically requires detailed air quality assessment to be undertaken whilst SS21 requires air quality issues to be explored.</p> <p>The promotion of sustainable transport measures, including walking and cycling, suggests that considerable progress is possible, although car use remains relatively high throughout the City. The full effects of the policies will only be measurable over the longer term and as part of an assessment of the cumulative effects of development as a whole.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As outlined in Policies SS13-24.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> The extent to which potential sustainable travel measures are realised, particularly on the larger strategic sites.</p>
13. Minimise flood risk and	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p>

<p>reduce the impact of flooding to people and property in York.</p>															<p>The City of York has a significant extent of areas at risk of flooding. The York Local Flood Risk Management Plan (2015) helps to co-ordinate the approach to managing flood risk and development proposals should accord with its aims. The SS13-24 incorporate. Policy SS19 recognises that a specific flood risk assessment will be required. Implementation of the policy, based on latest flood risk assessment, will ensure that flood risk can be mitigated. Overall, the policies are considered to have a neutral effect on this objective.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As per masterplanning proposals for strategic sites, utilising SUDS etc.</p> <p><b>Assumption</b> Implementation of policies will be based on up-to-date flood risk modelling to inform consideration of development proposals at application stage.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b> Changes in future flood risk from current modelling.</p>
<p>14. Conserve or enhance York's historic environment, cultural heritage, character and setting.</p>	+/-	++	+/-	0	+/-	0	+/-	+/-	0	+/-	-	+/-	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>Significant levels of new development will inevitably bring change to the character of the City, particularly where this as associated with strategic sites which envisage substantial tracts of new housing or employment, in addition to the required release of Green Belt land.</p> <p>However, such change can be positive where the creation of new communities helps to address social inclusion and bring service provision and economic prosperity. Effects on the setting of the City can also be managed through land release which does not have a significant visual impact. SS21 specifically requires the retention and enhancement of historic field boundaries. SS22 requires the delivery of a landscaped buffer to mitigate heritage impacts.</p> <p>The HIA identifies a number of negative impacts likely as a result of development at various strategic site locations but these are addressed through the corresponding strategic policies.</p> <p>Policies SS4, SS5, SS6, SS7, SS8, SS9, SS10 could have positive or negative effects. The implementation of other policies in the plan (placemaking, heritage, design and culture), archaeological mitigation strategies and masterplanning will help mitigation of any negative effects.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b> As proposed under policies SS5-10 which emphasise the need to respect and where possible enhance local context.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b> Masterplanning ensures that new development respects, enhances and creates local character, in particular the City's Green Infrastructure network. Particular</p>	



														attention needs to be paid to the approach taken on sites within or near the City Centre. <b>Uncertainties</b> Potential cumulative impacts of development over the longer term.	
15. Protect and enhance York's natural and built landscape.	0	0	0	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	--	+/-	<p><b>Likely Significant Effects</b></p> <p>The diversity in scale, type and timing, of development proposals across the City means that there will be significant opportunities to secure new patterns of development which do not detract from and enhance the character of the natural and built landscape of the City</p> <p>The HIA notes a number of negative effects for a number of these policies. However, the implementation of other policies in the plan and mitigation measures (including landscaping and screening) will to some extent limit these effects for the majority of these policies although some change is inevitable. However, for SS24 significant harm to the landscape has been identified. The site (ST27) contributes to the openness associated both with views of the Minster and Bootham stray. The proposed development would result in a significant change to the openness of the landscape in this location, undermining its future role as green belt and significantly impacting on landscape and setting.</p> <p><b>Mitigation</b></p> <p>Detailed masterplanning to ensure sensitive integration of new development with existing natural and built landscape.</p> <p><b>Assumptions</b></p> <p>None.</p> <p><b>Uncertainties</b></p> <p>The cumulative impacts of development on the character of the City.</p>
<p><b>Summary</b></p> <p>Whilst growth of the City on the scale envisaged inevitably brings negative effects (such as greenfield land-take and increased traffic) the suite of policies seeks to ameliorate these impacts through sustainability measures which encourage self-sufficiency and innovation in energy use and generation and sustainable travel initiatives, for example. The scale of the strategic sites makes such ambitions achievable in principle, although how these are compromised by unsustainable commuting patterns, for example, would require analysis over the longer term. In light of this assessment, the spatial strategy policies have been appraised as having positive and negative affects against Objectives 6, 7, 9 and 12 to reflect the inevitable increase in vehicles and vehicle movements associated with the built development proposed for York. The extent of the cumulative impacts of this scale of development on the character of the City is again uncertain, although the provisions for the sensitive masterplanning of City Centre sites in particular should in principle off-set adverse impacts and positively enhance character where regeneration is required.</p> <p>Some negative effects relating to the loss of greenfield land (hence often land currently classified as Green Belt) where identified, although the opportunity to enhance landscape character and positively contribute to green infrastructure are also present and help to off-set such impacts.</p> <p>Key uncertainties relate to the longer term and cumulative effects of development on City character and specific issues such as flood risk, although retrospective analysis would be required to determine their precise scale and effects.</p>															



**Key**

<b>Symbol</b>	<b>Likely Effect on the SA Objective</b>
<b>++</b>	The policy is likely to have a significant positive effect
<b>+</b>	The policy is likely to have a positive effect
<b>0</b>	No significant effect / no clear link
<b>?</b>	Uncertain or insufficient information on which to determine effect
<b>-</b>	The policy is likely to have a negative effect
<b>--</b>	The policy is likely to have a significant negative effect