

Summary of Petitions

This document sets out the full text included in the petitions received as part of the Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation. Where a longer response was provided, these are indicated in the list below and then included in full at the end of the document. The policy references after each petition indicate which policies the petitions have been registered and summarised against.

Petition 1. Huntington and New Earswick

668 signatures

I/We the undersigned oppose Labour's plans to use Green Belt land across York to build 22,000 houses on over the next 15 years – 2,000 of them in Huntington and New Earswick Ward.

(Policies SS2, H16, ST8 & ST11)

Petition 2. Save Acomb Moor Petition

59 signatures

We the undersigned object to the inclusion of part of Acomb Moor as a development site (H9) in the Council's Local Plan. We believe that site should continue to be included in the Green Belt as it protects the rural setting of the western approach to the City and avoids the dominance that any buildings near the Great Knoll would have on the surrounding area. The moor is an important informal recreation amenity for local residents and this should be recognised in the Local Plan.

(Policy H9)

Petition 3. Save the Green Belt Petition

81 signatures

We the undersigned object to the inclusion of land lying between Wetherby Road and Knapton as a "showperson's" camp in the Council's Local Plan. We believe that this site should continue to be included in the Green Belt as it protects the rural setting of the western approach to the City. The introduction of large areas of hard surfacing, together with intrusive storage facilities and maintenance activities, would have a substantial impact on nearby residential areas. Such facilities should be located in commercial estates.

(Policy ACHM3)

Petition 4. (Cllr Ann Reid – see Council Meeting 18th July 2013 agenda item 6 (ii))

2302 signatures

I/We the undersigned oppose Labour's plans to use Green Belt land across York to build 22,000 houses on over the next 15 years.

(Policy SS2)

Petition 5. Dunnington Gypsy and Traveller Site

5 signatures

We the undersigned object to the proposal in the City of York Local Plan Preferred Options for a Gypsy and Travellers Site at Common Road/Hagg Lane Dunnington. It will adversely affect: Hassacarr Nature Reserve, the open aspect of the gateway to the village, village green and conservation area, and the parking provision for sporting events.

(Policy ACHM3)

Petition 6. Proposed Siting of Gypsy and Travellers' Site on Common Road, Dunnington by City of York Council

136 signatures

We, the undersigned, object to a travellers' site on Common Road

(Policy ACHM3)

Petition 7. Dunnington Parish Council

1323 signatures

We the undersigned petition the City of York Council to stop the building of a permanent 15 pitch Gypsy/Traveller site using land at Common Lane and Hassacarr Lane in Dunnington, York. It's located on Green Belt land, adjacent to Hassacarr Nature Reserve and will have a major impact on the people living in the surrounding area, homes and businesses. There are plenty of area around York that would be suitable for these traveller locations that would not affect local residences and businesses. City of York Council needs to support our petition and keep residents happy by providing areas and communities that people feel content to live in.

(Policy ACHM3)

Petition 8. Objection to H37, ST04 and SF4

89 signatures

The signatories below would like to express their objections to the Local Plan Development as defined in the accompanying document: Objects to The York Local Plan in relation to H37, ST04, SF4.

(Policies H37, ST4 & SF4)

Petition 9. Copmanthorpe

879 signatures

We, the undersigned, petition the council to amend the draft Local Plan and save the traditionally Greenbelt-protected sites adjacent to Copmanthorpe from being developed, either for housing or renewable energy generation.

(Policies ST12, ST13, CC1, SF5, H29 & H40)

Petition 10. Petition against the Huntington Travellers Site

139 signatures

We the undersigned petition the council to stop the building of a permanent site for 20 pitches (20-80 caravans) on a 3 acre plus site, Huntington York. The placement

of this travellers site right at the heart of an established community would be disastrous. Locating it immediately adjacent to homes, nature reserve and businesses indicates a complete lack of concern, by the council, for the impact this will have on the way of life of Huntington & Heworth residents. It is hard to conceive of a more inappropriate proposal.

(Policy ACHM3)

Petition 11. Wheldrake

43 signatures

We the undersigned petition the council to listen to residents of Wheldrake and NOT build on Greenfield sites and Natural woodlands inbetween The Cranbrooks & Valley View as part of the York Local Plan (H28).

(Policy H28)

Petition 12. Save the Green Belt Petition (Cllr Lynn Jeffries - see Council Meeting 18th July 2013 agenda item 6 (ii))

124 signatures

We the undersigned object to the proposals in the council's Local Plan for the development of land lying between the existing urban area and the ring road. We wish to see this land retained in the "Green Belt" Instead we believe that the Council should concentrate any new buildings at previously developed, but now unused, sites such as Terry's, Nestle South, British Sugar and the area behind the railway station. We specifically object to the inclusion of part of Acomb Moor as a development site (H9) in the Council's Local Plan. We believe that site should continue to be included in the Green Belt as it protects the rural setting of the western approach to the City and avoids the dominance that any buildings near the Great Knoll would have on the surrounding area. The moor is an important informal recreation amenity for local residents and this should be recognised in the Local Plan.

(Policies SS3 & H9)

Petition 13. Stop the Clifton Gate Proposals (Julian Sturdy MP)

14 signatures

I/We the undersigned petition the Council to amend the draft Local Plan and save the 330 acres of traditionally Greenbelt-protected land to the North of Clifton Moor from the development of over 4000 new homes. We believe the proposed development of this portion of land is completely inappropriate on the Greenbelt and entirely unsustainable, putting too much strain on the local infrastructure.

(Policy ST14)

Petition 14. Stop the Travelling Showpeople Site (Julian Sturdy MP)

288 signatures

I/We, the undersigned, do not want the proposed site on Wetherby Road, Knapton to be used as a base for travelling show people. The proposed plan in the City of York Local Plan is to offer 20 plots, with a minimum size of 500m² each, to be used as a permanent show people yard on Wetherby Road, Knapton. The proposed site will

have a detrimental impact on the area and we see it as an inappropriate development on Green Belt land.

(Policy ACHM3)

Petition 15. Protect York's Greenbelt (Julian Sturdy MP)

416 signatures

I/We the undersigned petition the council to amend the draft Local Plan and save a number of traditionally Greenbelt-protected sites from being developed upon. The sites which have been earmarked by the Council for large scale housing development include Holme Hill and various plots of land at Clifton Moor, Osbaldwick, Copmanthorpe, Woodthorpe, Haxby and Monks Cross. We want to see the character of our villages surrounding York protected. We acknowledge the need for more housing in York, but believe the figure of 22,000 homes to be too high and the loss of over 1000 acres of Greenbelt land to be unsustainable. We believe it is absolutely vital that Brownfield sites are used first.

(Policies SS2, SS3, H1, ST6, ST7, ST8, ST9, ST10, ST11, ST12, ST13, ST14 & ST15)

Petition 16. "Save the Green Belt" Petition (Cllr Ann Reid - see Council Meeting 18th July 2013 agenda item 6 (ii))

1084 signatures

We the undersigned object to the proposals in the council's Local Plan for the development of land lying between Wetherby Road and Knapton village. We believe that the site should continue to be included in the Green Belt as it protects the rural setting of the western approach to the city which would otherwise begin to merge with the outer ring road.

(Policy ACHM3)

Petition 17. Petition opposing the development of land at Moor Lane (Cllr Ann Reid - see Council Meeting 18th July 2013 agenda item 6 (ii))

259 signatures

We the undersigned object to the designation of land west of Woodthorpe of house building (ST10). Successive local plans have indicated that this land is important in enhancing York's rural setting. The nearby Askham Bogs nature reserve could be adversely affected by any development. Residents are concerned that development in this area would exacerbate the traffic congestion problems which are already evident at certain times of the day. We therefore petition that the land continue to be included in the "Green Belt".

(Policy ST10)

Petition 18. The Future of Huntington

53 signatures

We are residents of Forge Close and Sadlers Close, York YO32 who oppose strongly to the proposed Local Plan which affects our local community and is detrimental to the local infrastructure.

(For more detail see accompanying comment form and statement setting out reasons for objection included below)

(Policy ST11)

Petition 19. Gypsy & Travellers Site, Malton Road, Huntington

1036 signatures

We the undersigned petition the council to stop the building of a permanent site for 20 pitches (20-80 caravans) on a 3 acre plus site, Huntington York. The placement of this site right at the heart of an established community, locating it immediately adjacent to homes, a nature reserve and businesses would not be appropriate in this locality, by virtue of its potential impact on Huntington & Heworth residents,. We believe it is hard to conceive of a more inappropriate proposal.

(For more comments see accompanying email included below)

(Policy ACHM3)

Petition 20. Dunnington WI– Response to Local Plan Preferred Options

26 signatures

We have decided to deal with this in the same way as a petition to reflect that it is a collective response from an organisation but also to recognise and register each of the signatories. (Full text of response is included below)

(Policies SS2, E10, E6, H1, H31, H33, H35, H44, ACHM3, GI6, GB1, CC1 & R3)

Petition 21. Travellers Site in Huntington E-Petition

87 signatures

We the undersigned petition the council to stop the building of a permanent site for 20 pitches (20-80 caravans) on a 3 acre plus site, Huntington York. The placement of this site right at the heart of an established community, locating it immediately adjacent to homes, a nature reserve and businesses would not be appropriate in this locality, by virtue of its potential impact on Huntington & Heworth residents. We believe it is hard to conceive of a more inappropriate proposal.

(Policy ACHM3)

City of York Local Plan

Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation Comments Form

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Name

Organisation

Contact Address

E-mail

Signature

Date

30/7/13

Issue

(where possible include paragraph/policy or question number)

H37

ST04

SF4

Your comments

PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT - OBJECTIONS TO THE YORK LOCAL PLAN IN RELATION TO H37, ST04 AND SF4, AND THE ACCOMPANYING PETITION OF SIGNATORIES VOICING THEIR OBJECTIONS TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED LOCAL PLAN AS PER THE OBJECTIONS DOCUMENT.

Issue

(where possible include paragraph/policy or question number)

Your comments

All responses should be returned by 31st July 2013 so that we can take your views into account

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How did you hear about this consultation?

MAXBY TOWN CRIER

Do you have any general comments on this consultation process?

Objections to The York Local Plan in relation to H37, ST04, SF4

The following document provides detail of objections and concerns in relation to the H37 development which is proposed as part of the York Local Plan and also the raises objections in relation to the impacts associated with development ST09 and SF4.

Traffic – We, the signatories of this petition, are concerned both by the increase of traffic caused by the proposed use of Greystone Court as an access route for H37, and also the impact this additional traffic will have on the Eastfield Avenue and York Road. The addition of 34 dwellings would considerably increase the level of traffic using Greystone Court, heightening the risk of accidents, particularly to children who use this route for schools both for Joseph Rowntree and Headlands schools. Traffic increase is likely to occur in the mornings when children are making their way to school. Additionally there are many elderly who walk along this road from their dwellings on Greystone Court and Ashwood Glade.

The increase in traffic, especially at peak times, will impact the existing congestion as road users queue both on Eastfield Avenue and York Road. This is very congested at times when the train crossing is in use and we regularly experience queuing traffic down Eastfield Avenue, past Greystone Court and also from the train crossing along York Road in the direction of Haxby. We currently experience high volumes of traffic on these routes and further traffic will add to this issue . Eastifield Avenue has a tight corner just before Greystone course when travelling towards York Road, this is a known hazard and numerous school children cross Eastfield Avenue in this area.

This traffic condition also causes considerable concern in relation to the proposed developments of ST09 and SF4. Increased traffic from this large development will exasperate the issues faced. Of particular concern will be the temptation for ST09 and SF4 traffic to use the roads within the existing south Haxby estate (Oaktree Lane, Greenshaw Drive, Briergate etc.) to avoid the increase in traffic on York Road. This is unacceptable in a housing development area and of particular concern as this will take vehicles past the Headlands school entrance.

Annex 22 Local Plan Preferred Options Document does state that the access from Greystone Court would require 'further assessment' however we have not been able to find any information relating to this. We would require evidence from York City Council to support the decision to use Greystone Court as access for the development, proving the impact is acceptable.

Drainage - There is a major concern in relation to both surface water drainage which is already at unacceptable levels in the gardens surrounding the H37 area. This will be compounded by the addition of housing in the H37 area.

Sewage outflow is currently borderline at best and there are instances when housing sewerage rises through the outflow system and collects on pathways and driveways, this is experienced on Hillbra Avenue.

The H37 proposed site is located within a Flood Zone 1, as indicated in assessment of sites failing

criteria. Without flood risk assessment acceptance the development should not be granted permission to proceed. This, as far as we are aware, has not been undertaken by an independent authority. It is stated in Annex 22 that a development will need to have sustainable drainage systems. However, where it can be demonstrated that this is not possible by a developer (technically or viably - we are concerned this refers to cost and profitability of development) then connecting to existing surface water drains will be considered. Given the existing infrastructure issues this is not acceptable for the residents living in this area.

Infrastructure i.e Schools - The Local Plan preferred options 14.2 states 'the Local Plan must ensure there are sufficient pre-school, primary and secondary education facilities across the city'. School places in Haxby and Wigginton are currently fully subscribed. The addition of 34 houses within the H37 area would not be sustainable by the primary and secondary education infrastructure in the area. We are aware from communication with Schools in Haxby that they are currently oversubscribed and classrooms, function rooms are at capacity.

The lack of supporting education infrastructure is also a major concern with the developments proposed in ST09 and SF4. The volume of additional residents in H37, ST09 and SF4 could not be supported without substantial investment in Schools, Doctors Surgeries, Parking, transport links.

Wildlife - We, the undersigned petition to this objection, understand that there was a bio diversity action plan undertaken in York during 2008 - 2010 and this is considered in respect of granting the Local Plan as related to Wigginton Corridor 21. Signatories of this list of objections have seen water vole bats, owls, sparrow hawks, pheasants and mice using the land proposed for HS37. These are species that should be protected and their habitat retained. Developing in H37 would further reduce the habitat available to these animals.

General - It is the view of the signatories to this objection submission that the Local Plan development areas ST09, SF4 and H37 would have an irreversible impact on the village Haxby and Wigginton. The area in question is one of the main contributing factors to the appealing nature of the York area. Residential areas of this size and with a village atmosphere both create a uniquely appealing place for visitors to the York area. Because of their size have a village feel which directly contributes to tourism, and the wellbeing of the region. The introduction of ST09, SF4 and H37 would change the atmosphere of the villages of Haxby and Wigginton so as to leave them unrecognisable and significantly less attractive part of the greater area of York City.

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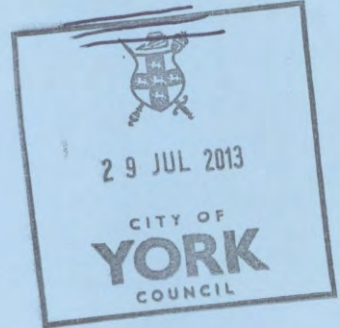
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Your comments

PLEASE FIND ATTACHED A PETITION SIGNED BY RESIDENTS OF FORGE CLOSE + SANDERS CLOSE.

ALL OF WHOM OBJECT STRONGLY TO THE PROPOSED C4E DRAFT LOCAL PLAN AND ITS IMPLICATIONS TO THOSE RESIDENTS LIVING IN VERY CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE PROPOSAL.

I AM HAPPY TO BE CONTACTED AS A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE RESIDENTS.

Issue

(where possible include paragraph/policy or question number)

Your comments

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LETTER. DELIVERED TO
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19/07/13.

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PLEASE SEE
ATTACHED PAPERS.
RESIDENTS WERE
NOT CONSULTED WITH
- 100% COMMENT BY
ALL WHO SIGNED.

ST11

The Future of Huntington

We are residents of Forge Close and Sadlers Close, York YO32 who oppose strongly to the proposed Local Plan which affects our local community and is detrimental to the local infrastructure.

We also object strongly to the fact that as local residents we have not had been consulted with about the plan. Our local Liberal Democrat Councillors have been fighting for several weeks to arrange a meeting with City of York representatives to discuss implications of the plan with no positive outcome. Local residents were only informed by councillors on 19 July 2013 by a flyer that an exhibition of the plans for Huntington (and the rest of York) will be held in a local library from Monday 22 July to Saturday 27 July 2013. A great number of residents feel discriminated against in that they leave home to go work early morning and arrive home in the evening, when the library opening hours are very limited and not open during the evening making it impossible for residents to view the plan.

Objective reasons for opposing the plan are;

- The current building of a new local shopping complex will increase traffic in the local area. This has already been acknowledged by the council in that a new roadway is being developed on Malton Road
- Monks Cross round-a-bout has become more congested during the last 3 years, resulting in traffic back up and minor road incidents on a very regular basis
- York ring road A1237 is extremely congested, a 10 minute drive can often take 40 minutes due to traffic conditions. This will worsen.
- At times of rugby matches at Huntington Stadium traffic in the area is increased, this will be even more so with more regularity when the stadium is rebuilt to incorporate York Football Club
- Presently, when there is a home rugby match residents at Forge Close are often subjected to fans parking in Forge Close, often blocking driveways and causing a danger to young children
- Local primary schools in the area are already full, they will not be able to accommodate more children
- Local Secondary schools in the area are full and Burnholme Community College, CYC is to close summer 2014
- Local GP services are already over-stretched, currently an appointment is regularly not available for several days
- Local bus routes are limited including a Park & Ride service which does not accommodate leisure or social activities – the last bus from York city centre to Huntington is 8pm in summer and 6pm in winter months

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Strudwick, Caroline

From:
Sent: 31 July 2013 23:06
To: localplan@vork.gov.uk
Cc:
Subject: Petition against the Huntingdon travellers site
Attachments: travellers-site-in-huntington_petition1036.pdf

TO: CITY OF YORK COUNCIL

Please find attached a petition against the proposed travellers site located off Malton Road, Huntingdon. The petition clearly demonstrates that concerned local Heworth and Huntingdon residents, together with further afield residents, tourists and friends of the City of York do not want a travellers site located here.

A few concerned residents in the area circulated leaflets to publicise your plans and our petition site. For many residents, it was the first time they had heard of the plans. I live 20 feet from the proposed site & did not receive your local plan document listing the proposed sites, neither did some other neighbours - I had to hear from relatives in Woodthorpe. It is a poor consultation process to raise plans, do the minimum publicity and then make the default decision to be the one that nobody in the area wants.

I've included several of the hundreds of emotive comments left on the petition site. Please read the comments and listen to the tax payers and friends of York.

<http://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/travellers-site-in-huntington>

Regards,

- Jack B.

This is just not right, a desperate proposal from an administration that lacks any sense of responsibility for its actions. You (Councillors) don't have to live with the results of your actions but we do. If the council think so lowly of Huntingdon its residents and businesses then maybe we need a change to a council that will listen, this plan is so wrong on every level.

Judith P.

I have had problems with travellers before entering my house uninvited when the door was open in summer then offering gardening work once they were discovered. Also repeatedly trying to buy cars that are not for sale.

- John P.

We already have 3 sites. It's enough.

- George T.

The price of my property will go down and the cost of insurance will go up..you always hear what happens when these sites appear .hopefully this will be rejected

- Stephen K.

Unfair that the council's planned site should get preferential planning consideration compared to similar previous rejected applications.

- Amanda T

Think of the impact on our local schools and doctors surgeries. Not to mention the anti social behaviour

- Jason C.
House Prices , House Prices ...Council not having a Clue....Legal cases brought to bare when house prices depreciate.
- anthony f.
I have bad experiences of the travellers sorry gypsy site near me
- John R.
We had enough problems of noise and rubbish when they moved into new lane for a couple of weeks
- Ben G.
Unfitting with the local community
- Judith P.
I have had problems with travellers before entering my house uninvited when the door was open in summer then offering gardening work once they were discovered. Also repeatedly trying to buy cars that are not for sale.
- John P.
We already have 3 sites. It's enough.
- Mitchell L.
my mate lives very close
- George T.
The price of my property will go down and the cost of insurance will go up..you always hear what happens when these sites appear .hopefully this will be rejected
- Eleanor W.
I believe that the rapid expansion of housing in Huntington over the past decade has not been supported by an improvement in facilities (schools, doctors, public transport etc...) and adding a travellers site too is just the final straw.
- dawn w.
i do not feel safe in my home when they are around
- Ben M.
Messy, untidy , noisy , security risk and most of all expensive how can city of York afford thi s they cannot even afford to empty the bins in our "must look after the tourists" areas so how can they afford the massive clean up bills these people will create?
- Sophie W.
The council have not consulted with any local residents regarding these proposals suggesting they wish to get this through without seeking opinions from those who it will affect. This plan will significantly affect local schools, residents, traffic, hospitals and other vital services. The council are unable to control the current sites and should get these in order before planning any additional sites.
- Trish C.
Too close to my property and new shops etc. Why York as we have a high percentage of sites to population already compared to other cities? Access and travel issues were highlighted when other applications have been refused so how can this one be ok?
- N G.
The impact to the area would be detrimental.

- david n.

York city council appears to feel it can behave just as it likes and ignore all rules and regulations and residents rights and opinions. It cannot and needs to be put back in its proper place, working with and representing the local populus, not against it.

- Linda N.

Having experienced the disgusting mess left behind when travellers have camped illegally in this area in the past (Monk Stray as an example), do we really need to encourage the travellers.

- raymond t.

we have enough sites as it is

- Claire T.

Because Huntington is too busy as it is!

- Stephen T.

York has enough traveller's sites!

Zena P.

York should not have to have the majority of traveller population in comparison to other larger cities. These people should contribute to society and work like most of us. Also, they do not clear up after their mess when they have been on land previously.

- Teresa J.

I agree with all the objections already stated on the web site. The current retail development on Monks Cross has attracted huge investment into the area & will improve local employment & amenities. The potential problems caused by a permanent Travellers site could discourage future investment.

- Jamie W.

The whole area will become a massive tip, and crime rates will shoot up. The local facilities will simply not cope with the influx. Local business (eg adjacent car shops) will be affected.

- brad P.

it'll destroy the community

- Stephen E.

We should not provide such facilities for people who never and have no intention of contributing to society in any way. Yet disabled people are having their support cut - It is simply wrong

- Tracey G.

There will be increased crime rates, the site will be like a rubbish dump and house prices will slump. No-one wants to live with this in your back yard.

- Barbara P.

Although I do not live in Heworth/Huntington myself I have a number of friends and family who will be affected by this intrusion of locusts! Please keep them OUT

- Sandra C.

I object to the travellers site already had to put up with cemetery on New Lane and our properties will lose value yet again.

- Barbara S.

Why should we have to put up with this site on our doorstep? The mess that is created is unacceptable there are already travellers on a field on New Lane which they have entered probably without permission. It is time this council remembered who put them in office and that they could be easily removed will they EVER listen.

- Andrew S.

The local fields will simply become an overflow for the travellers who can't get in, the local elderly population will be easy targets for the criminal element.

- Jean M.

They will be too close to me

- Alison C.

Clearly, this will have an effect on the community with increased pressures on schools, traffic, and local services and resources.

- Wendy Y.

It will be detrimental to our community affecting schools, crime rate and house prices in the area, need I go on.....

- Sharon D.

Just go to Morrisons and watch the security guards chasing travellers who have just stolen from the shop, that's one good reason!

- Peter H.

Because of the anti-social behaviour, things getting stolen and no taxes paid by them and frightened to leave windows open in case I'm your house.

- Cathryn H.

Don't want new neighbours terrorising our lovely neighbour hood and there will be more crime in the area.

- David G.

This is a totally inappropriate location for such a site because of local residences, traffic movement, and the reputation that travellers have for totally despoiling the locality.

- Peter R.

Impact on environment, sewage, water, drainage already bad traffic congestion

- Matthew S.

A travellers site close to residential community is crazy

- Elaine S.

I chose to live here in part to the non-overlooked greenfield aspect to my property, who will compensate me for this loss?

- Richard S.

I returned from holiday 1 week ago to find 12 vans on the field behind my property. The grass behind me was disturbed and travellers seen viewing the rear of properties. It is now no longer possible to safely leave windows or doors shut and locked at all times

- Al B.

Why are all the York travellers sites to the east of York? How long must we put up with a Council that has such crazy ideas?

- graham r.

by setting permant sites for travellers they no longer become travellers so they should pay the same housing costs as the rest of york residents

- Anne E.

Coz I pay Council Tax so why don't they??!!

- amanda j.

I believe it will have a bad affect on the area, also the schools are already overcrowded with out bringing more children into the area.

- Michael B.

I don't believe it is a suitable place, the proof is in the pudding as an example the site at Clifton Moor a trouble spot, the Police are always there and the clue is in the title Travellers

- Steve B.

The main point is that they are travellers and as such move on which means they do not care about the place while they are here. I remember what a mess they left on a field occupied illegally behind monks cross, litter everywhere. My garage at home was broken into as we're several others In huntington around that time.

Why not put a traveller site in tadcaster road, or next to York race course, or in the centre of York? Maybe we should all not care much throw your rubbish all about

- alan a.

Huntington was a village, now it's one of the main parts of York It's growing so fast I don't think the council know where to put things like putting up 20 pitches for the travellers. They can be put up between York and Malton. not Huntington

- Gillian Z.

I have lived in Huntington for over 20 years and what started as a lovely quiet village as altered dramatically over the years. There is no more room at the inn so to speak. Drainage is a problem as we suffer with many flooded gardens in bad rain. Our roads and paths never seem to be looked after properly so with extra traffic and pedestrians around this will get worse. Crime will also rise in our lovely village or should it now be big enough to be called a town?

- Anthony c.

we inyork have provided more than the required pitch no:s for the size of the city and do not seem to manage the sites we have

- Suzanne L.

the travellers need to have a more rural site for the horses.

- Anthony M.

I live in Huntington and it seems that every unwanted development is being put here against the wishes of the residents. It's our community; it doesn't belong to a political party.

- Tom H.

Had 2 break ins this year already don't want any more!

- Lauren S.

I have lived in Huntington near New Lane for a number of years and have nothing but trouble with Travellers. Why did the council not approve of extending a campsite on New Lane/Malton Road aka a business but this is okay?

- Jon H.

I work in Heworth and pass through Huntington to get to work. I would be a shame to see the area fall into potential disruptions, untidiness, increased theft and over populated use of facilities.

- Liam R.

Noise and light pollution to neighbouring properties (dogs, generators)

- Richard K.

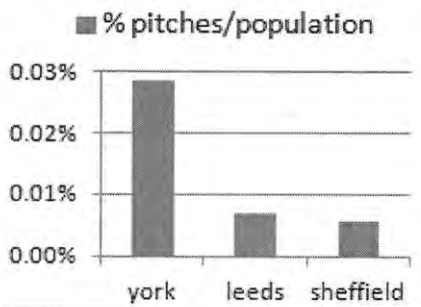
we dont want it, like the council are trying to build new houses on greenbelt at outer Haxby



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Travellers site in Huntington

To: City of York Council



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We the undersigned petition the council to stop the building of a permanent site

Why is this important?

A 20 pitch permanent travellers site has been proposed by City of York Council,

Successful opposition to proposed sites or halting the development of an unlawfu

There are key stages in the planning authority's consultation process for propos

It is crucial that we strike a 'balanced impartial tone' as objections that appe

It is crucial that we now come together as a community to oppose this site for a

In the LPAs, the council are required to be aware of the following influences. I

- Should strictly limit new traveller site development in open countryside
- The area in question in Huntington will adjoin small businesses and resi.
- Should ensure that sites in rural areas respect the scale of, and do not

Each plot has the potential to house 2-4 caravans (<http://bit.ly/11MfJRH>). Assum

Based also on the assumption that there will be one child per caravan, local sch

The site will also be adjoining the nature reserve created to preserve the prote

Large caravans and associated vans for towing will be turning into or leaving on

Potentially more ponies and untidy fenced areas could be introduced to the area

We need to carefully make our objections based on the following elements:

- Outside planning boundaries
- Impact on landscape
- Noise and light pollution to neighbouring properties (dogs, generators)
- Highway issues / increased traffic
- Sustainability
- Sewage treatment
- Security of isolated properties
- Environmental impact on nature reserve
- Antisocial behavior impacting on local residents and Monks Cross commerc
- Burning of rubbish (the Osbaldwick travellers site regularly has clouds

The Highways Transport Development Control has provided evidence from another, s

The above however is based on the assumption that there will only be one unit pe

Even more perplexing is that the Council have refused planning permission to loc

In addition to signing the petition, please voice any concerns before 31st July

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Reasons for signing

- Ben G. 20 days ago
Unfitting with the local community
 
- Andie P. 24 days ago
do i need to elaborate????
 
- Maria G. 26 days ago
Having lived in York and with friends in the area, this would be terrible for their home life

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The Dunnington W.I. response to the Local Plan Preferred Options July 2013.

The Dunnington W.I feels they should write a response to the Local Plan Preferred Options which has considerable effect on our village. The Plans are an impressive piece of work but as very few of our members use the internet it has been difficult to assimilate all the information.

Summary: 10.1 Housing. H44 site: We would like it to be developed as privately owned older people flats and/ or bungalows.

All other housing planning requires expert reports and careful consideration of the effects on the infrastructure of the village.

11.1 Gypsy and Travellers site is inappropriately sited in Dunnington due to the green approach into the village, next to Hassacarr nature reserve, opposite the Sports Club and adjacent to the conservation area of the village.

8.1 Industrial development we are pro E10 and against E6.

20.1 Wind Farms are they the most efficient way of producing energy?

9.1 We support the retail policy.

Housing.

1. H1 The housing target of 1090 houses a year with a buffer of 15% with 21,936 to be built in 15 years may be aspirational but is likely to be unachievable.
2. We agree with the density of housing for village areas at no more than 30 dwellings per hectare.

Question 10.1 Housing. Policy H3. We have a proposal of our own for the H44 Site (off Gardens Flat Lane) at the rear of Petercroft Lane. We would like you to consider a complex of privately owned flats for older people with communal rooms and garden (similar to a Macarthy Stone developments) There is nowhere in the village for people to downsize to when the house is too big or the garden gets too much. A new development will mean more housing becoming available in the village and people would be able to stay locally with their friends. It is a level walk to the amenities and right next to the doctors.

We already have a waiting list!

For other developments for Dunnington H31 H33 H35 there needs to be an expert report on the state of the sewage system and surface water run off in the village together with a full transport survey covering access, traffic movement and projected effects of increased traffic flow.

Gypsy and Travellers site.

Policy ACHM3. 11.1 We presume the address is off Common Road but as it is called Common Lane in some documents it is very confusing.

We think this is a wholly inappropriate plan.

There is some controversy in the number of Gypsy and Travellers needing pitches in the York area.

The council in the past has turned down housing on this site as it would spoil the entrance into the village, it should do so again. The village conservation area and Julia's Memorial garden abut the proposed site.

York wants to retain its **green corridors** into the city which we agree with Policy G16. We want to retain our green approach into the village and keep the green buffer between the industrial site and the village. When the village was expanded in the 1960 and 70's it was agreed that there should be a green area (belt, buffer, space) between the housing and the industrial area, as an open space into the village. We do not feel the proposed site is an "exceptional circumstance" to allow it to be built in green belt and to over ride past planning polices.

The field is said to be unsuitable for housing as it would spoil the village outline. We feel a Gypsy and Travellers site would spoil it even more, with its hard standing, garage like structures for kitchens and bathrooms, and the incongruity of the caravans and vans, storage space and horses in comparison to the residential houses next to them.

The bungalows gardens which border the site are below the level of the field and when it rains hard the rain water runs off the field and floods them. This would be worse if the field was hard standing. The bungalows would be totally dominated by caravans and vans.

If this field is covered in hard standing the management of surface water for the whole village will be even more difficult than it is at the moment.

The field is situated next to a **nature reserve**, Hassacarr a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation. This site was set up 20 years ago by some of our members, who have worked tirelessly to improve the biodiversity and condition of the pond and surrounds. There are rare grasses, 70 types of beetle, Mayflies, Dragon flies, crested newts and water voles to name but a few. Birds of all sizes and rarity and from the local farmland come and visit the feeders especially in winter. About 200-300 children visit the site each year to pond dip and learn about nature. It would be a travesty of all the hard work the team have put in over the years if anything should spoil their work. The proximity of humans, horses, noise and traffic may disturb the wild life. Pollutants could get into the water, horse dung or urine, dog waste, diesel oil and pollutants could be washed off the hard standing into the open ditch. We do not know enough about the biodiversity to know whether the running open water is why the pond is so rich in wild life and whether the green corridors of the ditches are a vital link and also to Hagg Wood and beyond.

The **biodiversity** policy G12 backs up a lot of what we have written.

There is a children's **play area** directly opposite the site so there are a considerable amount of children in the area at risk when large vehicles are being manoeuvred.

The **sports centre** is on another side of the road to the field with the newly surfaced tennis courts and flood lights, a bowls club and football and cricket pitches. It is probably used by about 1000 people each week. So there is no privacy around that area, which contravenes policy ACHM4 (v).

Policy GB1 Development in the Green belt. We have indicated that we consider the fields on the South side of Common Road are green belt even though they may not have been officially designated by City of York. We agree with your policy GB1.

The junction with the Hull Road is dangerous.

Alternative use.

The cars of people using the sports club have limited parking space so cars line either side of the road, running over the pavement and parking on the grass verge which is obviously very undesirable. We want to make a permeable paved car park in the field and have the rest of the field available in case we need to expand the sports facilities. but so far we have not got planning permission.

11.2. We feel that a better site for Gypsy and Travellers would be to incorporate a purpose built site into the new villages you are proposing.

Industrial sites.

Policy EMP2 We think the site in ChessinghamPark E10 would be an excellent place to develop. It is an eye sore at the moment and will be much better tidied up and built on.

Policy EMP5 We agree with this policy and we feel the site on Common Road E6 will harm the amenity of the surrounding area. The site is not acceptable to develop. It is green field next to Hassacarr Nature Reserve and all the reasons for not wanting the Gypsy and Travellers site apply here too. The rural character of the village and openness will be changed if the industrial area is extended. If this field is covering in hard standing the management of surface water for the whole village will be very difficult.

We also think it is unnecessary as there were about 24,000square feet of unused office and storage space in Chessingham Park on June 3rd 2013.

Wind Farms

Policy CC1. 20.1. These are proposed in beautiful countryside and in a valley. We feel more thought and research to the effectiveness of wind power is needed before blighting the fields and countryside.

Retail

Policy R3. Question 9.1 We support the policy of retaining the retail centre hierarchy, and local plans to protect retail centres and restrict out of town developments.

The W.I. passed a resolution at their national congress this year for all members to support their local shops and high streets and asking decision makers to ensure that high streets flourish and provide a focal point for local communities.

An ode to a Draft Plan.

It is proposed to build a site
for sixty caravans wedged in tight.
Fifteen pitches for traveller and gypsy vans
Are the draft preferred option local plans.
Dunnington has a field so swell
that the present landlords want to sell.
But to us it's England's green and pleasant land
And we disagree with what is planned.

The sports club with the field between
the nature reserve and the village green.
A green buffer between industry and village,
And to change this would be like pillage.
We want the field for sports and such
providing it doesn't cost too much.

We hope that the vans are sound proofed well
To keep out noise of children's yell,
The sounds of tennis, cricket and bowls
And footballers celebrating goals.
Of car doors slamming and cheerful shouts
as the teams go home from drinking bouts.

We hope it does not rain too hard
as flooding will be worse with the field all tarred.
Crested newts and water voles beware
Horses are going to graze on the grassy fare
And they will have a good old munch
And your habitat could soon be lunch.
Pray that a loose four legged friend
Doesn't trample grass that's taken years to tend.

The people feel that they have the right
to reject this plan with all their might.
Our once green field should stay as such
Covering it in concrete is just too much.
How can one improve on this pastoral scene?
With landscaping and a twenty foot screen.
So please remove this plan from the draft
And we will put the r back into daft.