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To Whom it May Concern, The Strategic Planning Team & The Planning Inspectors.

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Comments on proposed Main Modifications and evidence base documents as set out in City of York Consultation document February 2023

'Legally Compliant' and 'Sound'.

'Soundness': Positively Prepared; Justified; Effective; Consistent with National Policy.

The following comments are on the Main Modifications:

THE STABLES, ELVINGTON (SP1)

MM5.13 Policy H6: Travelling Showpeople. Modification from previous total need of Three Plots to new need of Four plots (includes 1 plot with temporary planning permission at The Stables, Elvington)
MM5.15 Policy H5 & H6 para 5.41: Modification from Two plots to new Three plots (for first 5 years) identified at The Stables, Elvington

MY COMMENTS: The temporary planning permission ran out in 2020. Thus, the plot no longer legally exists. The plot was originally only given 5 years temporary permission due to its inappropriateness as a 'mixed use' Travelling Showpeople plot since it is surrounded by 5 residential buildings within a GreenBelt area. The plot is not adjacent to any industrial site - it is adjacent to residential property on all sides apart from the side adjacent to the main highway through Elvington. The Travelling Showpeople Yard would be more appropriately based on land that allowed 'mixed use' & which is not surrounded by residential properties. The proposal of Three plots being identified at The Stables, Elvington is thus NOT SOUND - it is NOT JUSTIFIED and is NOT CONSISTENT WITH NATIONAL POLICY GB4

LAND WEST OF ELVINGTON LANE (ST15)

MM3.54 Policy SS13: Land West of Elvington Lane (3,339 dwellings proposed). Modification: 'Elvington Lane can service the early phase of the development, subject to delivering a new link road between Elvington Lane & Hull Road, as well as works to the south of Grimston Bar Interchange/Elvington Lane Junction'.

MM3.57 Policy SS13: Modification:' Initial modelling work suggests that the Elvington Lane access can accommodate around 1,000 units (approx. 30% of final development)

MY COMMENTS: Elvington Lane already carries more traffic than it can reasonably cater for. The road is in continual need of repair due to the high number of HGVs that travel through Elvington (which will only get worse with the proposed expansions of the Industrial Sites in Elvington). The proposed 'New Town' development (ST15) together with the extra new houses in the village proposed at Church Lane/Beckside (H39) plus the Elvington Industrial (E9) & Airfield Business Park Site expansions (ST26) will obviously dramatically increase the traffic on the already overloaded Elvington Lane. The restructuring of the road network during the development of the 'New Town' will further cause absolute chaos for traffic through Elvington. How can any effective, efficient traffic flow be catered for

during (and after) all this development in the area of Elvington Lane? The Plan, in my opinion, does NOT appear to be EFFECTIVE in its infrastructure & traffic control.

MM3.58 Policy SS13: Modification: 'In the interest of sustainability, opportunities should be explored to re-use the aggregates arising from the runway in ST15 in the construction of the new junction or other new highway infrastructure.'

MY COMMENTS: The destruction of the runway in ST15 is a destruction of what should be classed as a heritage site. The runway is the longest runway in the North of England and was part of the WW2 Elvington Airfield. The neighbouring YORKSHIRE AIR MUSEUM is an international tourist attraction with very strong links to the French air force that was based there during WW2.

I note that the YORKSHIRE AIR MUSEUM has not been included as one of Yorks tourist attractions - why not? I also note that no mention has been made of all the WORLD SPEED RECORDS that take place on the ELVINGTON AIRFIELD runway - the one that the Local Plan propose to destroy!

The Plan, in my opinion, does NOT appear to be JUSTIFED if it entails the destruction of what should be a heritage site. Why can't the development of the 'New Town' be moved closer to the A64 and thus avoid having to be built across the airfield runway?

I along with many other residents and the Parish Council of Elvington Village have previously submitted comments during the previous stages of the Local Plan consultation. Hopefully, the Inspector has reasonably & soundly considered all these comments/objections/alternative proposals put forward during the various examinations. Elvington Village has held a number of public meetings within the village in order to gather together majority views on the Local Plan and has previously put forward reasonable alternative proposals to help with the placement of extra residential buildings within the area of Elvington. We hope that these alternative proposals are being carefully reconsidered before finalising the Local Plan.

I look forward to receiving an acknowledgement of this email together with any response to the comments made.

Kind Regards
Jane Moorhouse