

CITY OF YORK COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (APRIL 2013)



Community Impact Assessment (CIA)

1	Name and Job Title of person completing assessment	Claire Beech, Development Officer
2	Name of service, policy, function or criteria being assessed	City of York Local Plan
3	What are the main objectives or aims of the service/policy/function/criteria?	The Local Plan is a strategy for the future development of the City of York area. It will set out the opportunities for development in the City of York area and include clear policies on what will or will not be permitted and where.
		The vision is that: In the City of York area over the next fifteen years the Local Plan will deliver sustainable patterns and forms of development. These will support the delivery of the city's economic and social ambitions, whilst conserving and enhancing its unique historic and natural environmental assets.
		The plan will ensure that the vision and outcomes are delivered in a way that recognises the challenges of climate change, protects residents from environmental impacts and promotes social inclusivity.
		The vision and outcomes are based on the following interconnected priorities: Create Jobs and Grow the Economy; Get York Moving; Build Strong Communities; and Protect the Environment.

		The broad priorities of social inclusion and sustainability cut across all four of these themes.
4	Date	05 April 2012

Stage 1: Initial Screening						
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Community of Interest/Identity		Source of evidence that there is or is likely to be a negative or positive impact:				
		Staff		Customers/Public		
		Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative	
Rac	e			North Yorkshire Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (2008)		
Religion / Spirituality /Belief						
Ger	nder					
Disability				EIA Fair (6/6/2007): Local Development Framework (LDF)	EIA Fair (6/6/2007): Local Development Framework (LDF)	
				Workshop with York Blind and Partially Sighted Society on Local Development Framework (27/04/2010)		

Sexual Orientation		
Age	EIA Fair (21/3/2011): Housing Strategy and Older People's Housing Strategy	
Pregnancy/maternity		
Gender Reassignment		
Marriage and Civil Partnership		
Carers of older and disabled people		

Stage 2: Full Impact Assessment				
6	How could different communities be affected by the proposed or reviewed service/policy/function/criteria? Record negative and positive effects below.			
A1	Public/customers – positive effects	Gypsies and TravellersEvidence including the North Yorkshire Gypsy andTraveller Accommodation Assessment (2008)identify need for 63 gypsy and traveller pitches. Thedraft plan will have a positive impact on thiscommunity group through the allocation of sites tomeet this identified need.Disability and AgeConsultations on the Local Development Framework(LDF) identified issues with the design of housing,with respondents at EIA fairs and at a workshop withthe York Blind and Partially Sighted Society(YBPSS) highlighting the need for new homes to bebetter designed for older people and those withdisabilities. The draft plan will have a positiveimpact on these groups through requiring all newhomes to be built to the Lifetime Homes Standardand take into account Building for LifeRecommendations. In addition all strategic housing		

		sites (over 5 hectares) will be expected to undertake an assessment of need for appropriate accommodation for those with severe learning disabilities, physical disabilities and dementia and integrate this provision within the development.		
A2	Public/customers – negative effects	Disability Respondents to LDF consultation at the EIA fair and at a workshop with the York Blind and Partially Sighted Society (YBPSS) highlighted the challenges many people in this group face when using public transport. In seeking to facilitate a shift from the car to sustainable forms of travel such as walking, cycling and public transport, the Local Plan may have a negative effect on those who rely on car transport for accessibility.		
B1	Staff – positive effects			
B2	Staff – negative effects			
7	Can any negative effects be justified?			
The potential negative impacts of pursuing a shift from the car to sustainable transport can be justified due to the overall benefits of reducing congestion; improving air quality; achieving low carbon lifestyles; improving the public realm, particularly in the city centre; and achieving greater access to services and facilities for many communities.				
8	What changes will you make to the service/policy/function/criteria as result of information in parts 5 & 6 above?			
Evidence documents and information gained through consultations such as those identified in 5 have informed the development of the Local Plan. For example, seeking to address the housing needs of specific groups including the elderly, and Gypsies and Travellers; and including design standards such as the Lifetime Homes Standard.				
9	9 What arrangements will you put in place to monitor impact , positive and			

negative, of the proposed service/policy/function/criteria on individuals from the communities?

The Local Plan is still a draft document and we will continue to engage with communities (in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement) as the policies develop.

The implementation of policies contained in the Local Plan will be formally monitored as required by legislation. This will include monitoring the delivery of Lifetime Homes/Building for Life design standards; and the delivery of sites to meet the housing needs of particular groups including the elderly, and Gypsies and Travellers.

10 List below actions you will take to **address any unjustified impact and promote equality of outcome** for staff, customers and the public from the communities. The action could relate to:

- Procedures
- Service delivery
- Training
- Improvement projects

Action	Lead	When by?
N/A		
11 Date CIA completed		
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Date: 05/04/13

12 Signed off by

I am satisfied that this service/policy/function has been successfully impact assessed.

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Date: 11/04/13