

East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document 2012-2029

Sustainability Appraisal / Strategic Environmental Assessment Adoption Statement

On 6 April 2016 East Riding of Yorkshire Council adopted the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document. A number of modifications were made to the plan pursuant to section 23 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (the Act). These are set out in the Inspector's Report.

The adopted document will form part of the Development Plan for East Riding of Yorkshire and provides the basis for decisions on spatial planning within the East Riding up to 2029 (or until superseded).

Reference copies of:

- the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document;
- the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document Adoption Statement;
- the Sustainability Appraisal Adoption Statement (this statement); and
- the Strategy Document Sustainability Appraisal Report comprising the Submission Sustainability Appraisal Report (April 2014) and Proposed Submission Strategy and Allocations Documents Sustainability Appraisal Note (March 2015)

are available for inspection on the Council's website at:

www.eastriding.gov.uk/erlocalplan

Paper copies of the above are available for inspection at the Customer Service Centre, Cross Street, Beverley HU17 9BA (between the hours of 9.00am and 5.00pm Monday to Thursday and 9.00am and 4.30pm Friday). They can also be viewed at all East Riding Customer Service Centres and main libraries (during normal opening hours).

Documents can be downloaded from the above website free of charge. Paper copies may be purchased from Forward Planning (East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Room FS32, County Hall, Cross Street, Beverley HU17 9BA). Details of prices are available on request.

Any person aggrieved by the adoption of the Local Plan Strategy Document may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. Any such application must be made promptly and in any event not later than 18 May 2016 (six weeks after the date of adoption by the Council).

Further information can be obtained from the Forward Planning Team on 01482 391732 or forward.planning@eastriding.gov.uk



The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 sets out, in section 19 (5), the requirement to carry out a Sustainability Appraisal as part of the preparing a Local Plan. Paragraph 165 of the National Planning Policy Framework specifies that the Sustainability Appraisal should meet the requirements of the European Directive on Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)¹ (2001/42/EC). This requires local planning authorities to undertake an environmental assessment of any plans they prepare that are likely to have a significant effect upon the environment.

The East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document was submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination in April 2014. This was accompanied by a Submission Sustainability Appraisal Report, which addressed the requirements of the SEA Directive. A number of proposed modifications were published for consultation in March 2015. These modifications were all assessed in an accompanying Sustainability Appraisal Note.

Through his report, the appointed planning inspector highlighted that Sustainability Appraisal of the plan had been carried out and was adequate. Subject to his recommended modifications he concluded that the Strategy Document was sound and capable of adoption.

East Riding of Yorkshire Council has produced this statement in accordance with Regulation 16 (3) and (4) of the Environment Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, which transposes European Directive 2001/42/EC into UK legislation.

The SEA Directive requires that when a plan or programme is adopted (in this case, the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document), the consultation bodies, the public and any other Member States consulted on the Environmental Report (Sustainability Appraisal - known as the SA Report) are informed and specific information is made available.

The table below sets out the information as specified by Regulation 16 (4) and where that information has been made available:

SEA Requirement	Documents Produced
1. The Plan as adopted	i. Regulation 26 ² Notice (April 2016) ii. East Riding Local Plan (ERLP) Strategy Document (April 2016) (available at: www.eastriding.gov.uk/erlocalplan)
2. How environmental considerations have been integrated into the East Riding Local Plan	i. Sustainability Appraisal has been undertaken to inform each stage of preparing the Strategy Document. This is set out in: – Core Document No.15 ERLP

¹ Strategic Environmental Assessment is an assessment process that supports decision making by identifying, characterising and evaluating the likely significant effects of a plan or programme on the environment and determining how any adverse effects may be mitigated or where any beneficial effects may be enhanced.

² The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012



	<p>Strategy Document Submission Sustainability Appraisal Report (April 2014)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Core Document No.16 ERLP Strategy Document Submission Sustainability Appraisal Report Appendices (April 2014)– Core Document No.11 ERLP Strategy Document Submission Habitat Regulations Assessment Stage 1: Screening (April 2014)– Core Document No.12 ERLP Strategy Document Submission Habitat Regulations Assessment Stage 2: Appropriate Assessment (April 2014)– Core Document No.338 ERLP Modifications Strategy and Allocations Document Sustainability Appraisal Note (March 2015)– Core Document No.354 ERLP Modifications Strategy and Allocations Documents Habitat Regulations Assessment Appraisal Note (March 2015) <p>(available at: www.eastriding.gov.uk/erlocalplan)</p>
<p>3. How the environmental report has been taken into account</p>	<p>i. Sustainability Appraisal has been prepared in consultation with stakeholders and relevant Sustainability Appraisal documents published for consultation at each stage of preparing Strategy Document (see documents listed under 2(i) above). Specific responses to consultation comments on the Sustainability Appraisal are set out in Appendix D of Core Document No.16 ERLP Strategy Document Submission Sustainability Appraisal Report Appendices (April 2014)</p> <p>ii. Documents setting out responses to consultation comments were produced throughout development of the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document:</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Core Document No.5 Regulation 22(c) Consultation Statement (April 2014)
4. How opinions expressed and results of public consultation have been taken into account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Sustainability Appraisal Reports and consultation response documents have been produced throughout the development of the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document (see documents listed under 3(i) and (ii) above)
5. The reasons for choosing the East Riding Local Plan as adopted, in the light of other reasonable alternatives considered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Consultation response documents have been produced throughout the development of the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document (see documents listed under 3(ii) above) ii. Sustainability Appraisal has been undertaken throughout the development of the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document and sets out those options and alternatives that have been considered through the preparation of the Plan (see documents listed under 2(i) above) iii. Core Document No.6 ERLP Duty to Cooperate Background Paper
6. The measures that are to be taken to monitor the significant environmental effects of the implementation of the plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. ERLP Strategy Document (Chapter 11: Delivery, Monitoring and Reviewing) identifies a series of and Local Context Indicators that will be used to monitor the effects of implementing the plan. This specifically identifies those indicators that will be use to monitor the effects of the Strategy Document against the Sustainability Appraisal ii. ERLP Annual Monitoring Report has to be published by December each year and will report progress against the indicators listed in the ERLP Strategy Document iii. ERLP Sustainability Appraisal Report sets out (Chapter 11) potential indicators for monitoring the likely effects of the



	Strategy Document. These have been incorporated into the ERLP Strategy Document monitoring framework (see documents listed under 6(i) and (ii) above)
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The table above signposts information produced in support of the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document which is needed to fulfil the requirements of the SEA Directive.

Statutory consultees and members of the public were given the opportunity to comment on various stages of the Sustainability Appraisal documentation, as well as the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document, options and policies.

Additional appraisals were undertaken of modifications to the plan following its submission in April 2014 and the examination hearings that took place over October and November 2014. A Sustainability Appraisal Note was included as part of the modifications consultation which ran from Monday 30 March 2015 to 5pm on Monday 11 May 2015.

Earlier appraisals are included in the Sustainability Appraisal reports published for each stage of the Local Plan process and are also incorporated within the Submission Sustainability Appraisal Report and Appendices (April 2014);

- Core Strategy Issues and Options (April 2008)
- Preferred Approach Core Strategy (May 2010)
- Core Strategy Further Consultation (October 2011)
- Draft Strategy Document (December 2012)
- Proposed Submission Strategy Document (January 2014)

This document should be read in conjunction with all of the Sustainability Appraisal documents, earlier versions of the plan policies, reports on consultation events and the Duty to Co-operate Background Paper. These provide further detail to the assessment of policy alternatives and the decisions taken throughout the preparation of the East Riding Local Plan Strategy Document and are all available at: www.eastriding.gov.uk/erlocalplan

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