

ANNEX C



Wheldrake Village Design Statement

Community Impact Assessment

June 2014

Community Impact Assessment: Summary

1. Name of service, policy, function or criteria being assessed:

Wheldrake Village Design Statement

2. What are the main objectives or aims of the service/policy/function/criteria?

The purpose of a Village Design Statement (VDS) is to capture the essence of a village's character, environment and history – so it may be taken fully into account when any new development is planned.

Through the process of recording and highlighting the natural and built features of historic villages, Village Design Statements seek to identify and promote standards of design which are both appropriate and sympathetic to the locality. These standards have been set out in design guidelines which should be used for guidance by local residents, as well as developers, architects and planners who may be considering development in and around the village.

The draft Village Design Statement document has been produced by the local community, through liaison with City of York Council. It is anticipated that in the future it will be an adopted Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) alongside the City's Local Plan, subject to the requirements of the new National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

Consultation to date:

Wheldrake village first started work upon the VDS in February 2010. A steering group was formed in April 2010. A local history exhibition "Wheldrake – Then and Now" launched the process. The views of local people were sought through a questionnaire to all households in the village, 30% were returned. A draft document was placed upon the Parish Council website to give everyone the opportunity to get involved in the process, and to ensure that the VDS was representative of the views of Wheldrake parishioners. Copies of the draft VDS and reply forms have been placed in village meeting places and their availability publicised in the Wheldrake Parish Magazine. Since these events several drafts of the VDS have been produced and council officers have commented on the contents.

3. Name and Job Title of person completing assessment:

Katherine Atkinson, Regeneration Officer, CES

4. Have any impacts been Identified?

Yes

Community of Identity affected:

Age

Disability

Summary of impact:

The Village Design Statement will improve the quality of life for residents by enhancing village character and local identity. It will have a positive impact upon:

- Housing mix/ housing needs
- Secured by design

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access for all • Connectivity
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5. Date CIA completed: 05/06/14

6. Signed off by: Jonathan Carr, Head of Development Services and Regeneration

7. I am satisfied that this service/policy/function has been successfully impact assessed.
Name: Jonathan Carr
Position: Head of Development Services and Regeneration
Date: 19/06/2014

8. Decision-making body:	Date:	Decision Details:
Local Plan Working Group Cabinet	30 June 2014 1 July 2014	

Send the completed signed off document to ciasubmission@york.gov.uk It will be published on the intranet, as well as on the council website.
Actions arising from the Assessments will be logged on Verto and progress updates will be required

Community Impact Assessment (CIA)

Community Impact Assessment Title: Wheldrake Village Design Statement

What evidence is available **to suggest that the proposed service, policy, function or criteria could have a negative (N), positive (P) or no (None) effect** on quality of life outcomes? (Refer to guidance for further details)

Can negative impacts be justified? **For example: improving community cohesion; complying with other legislation or enforcement duties; taking positive action to address imbalances or under-representation; needing to target a particular community or group e.g. older people.** NB. Lack of financial resources alone is NOT justification!

Community of Identity: Age

Evidence		Quality of Life Indicators	Customer Impact (N/P/None)	Staff Impact (N/P/None)
Wheldrake Village Design Statement (May 2013)		Standard of Living Physical Security	Positive	None
Details of Impact	<i>Can negative impacts be justified?</i>	Reason/Action	Lead Officer	Completion Date
Design Guideline 28 states 'New buildings should provide a variety of housing types	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

<p>suitable to meet the needs of all sections of the population, to allow opportunities for residents to stay in the village.’ This would have a positive impact on housing mix by providing affordable homes, starter homes and family homes as well as smaller properties for older people to downsize into.</p> <p>Design Guideline 53 states ‘New buildings should be designed in such a way as to promote crime prevention’. This would have a positive impact on the quality of life of all age groups.</p> <p>The guidance aims to achieve better standards of design in future development projects, in compliance with local and national planning policy, and standards such as Lifetime Homes Standard, Building for Life Recommendations and Secured by Design.</p>				
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Community of Identity: Disability

Evidence	Quality of Life Indicators	Customer Impact (N/P/None)	Staff Impact (N/P/None)
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Wheldrake Village Design Statement (May 2013)		Standard of Living	Positive	None
Details of Impact	<i>Can negative impacts be justified?</i>	Reason/Action	Lead Officer	Completion Date
<p>The design principles (page 4) encourage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access for all – access to all public spaces, major pedestrian routes, streets and leisure spaces will be accessible to all sectors of the community at all times. • Connectivity – all areas should be linked to each other and back into the existing village centre, reinforcing Wheldrake as ‘a connected community’. <p>These principles would have a positive impact on open access for all creating links within the community .</p>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

No positive or negative impact has been identified regarding the following communities:

Community of Identity: Carers of Older or Disabled People

Community of Identity: Gender

Community of Identity: Gender Reassignment

Community of Identity: Marriage & Civil Partnership

Community of Identity: Pregnancy / Maternity

Community of Identity: Race

Community of Identity: Religion / Spirituality / Belief