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15	To enable villages to be sustainable for all members of society, the government should give grants, equal to parish council receipts to groups (volunteers, charitable associations) to allow them to decide upon local improvements, amenity improvements, etc. Only local organisations have their feet on the ground and know exactly what is required. This would be supported by all the groups in Skelton	community facilities and activities
22	Make shops/companies let out the vacant rooms above their premises in return for a sustainable grant to make them energy efficient	environmental
35	Support for insulation purchases. Better insulation reduces carbon emissions, warming and helps save us all money! Better threshold for new houses too.	environmental
37	Require developers to lease land they own, but have not developed, to local councils to use for community purposes. Land that was intended for development (either for house building or retail use) but has not is likely to be developed in the near future. The land could be put to good use by communities to provide facilities for local residents (allotments/playing fields). Developers would retain ownership, councils would be barred from using in ways that prevented its subsequent development in the long term. The land would be leased to local communities at a nominal rate.	land ownership and leasing
40	Stop delivery of plastic charity bags	environmental
43	Planning, Land, Housing: Introduce legislation to ban the sale of properties in new developments as second homes. [See Hungate example where new properties are this week being marketed as second homes, which contributes nothing to meeting local housing need.]	land ownership and leasing
44	Planning, Land, Housing: Introduce legislation to give local communities the same rights to appeal against planning decisions as developers. As part of this, empower local authorities to provide an independent fund to which local communities can apply for financial support when contesting development proposals and provide government funding to support this	planning
45	Planning, Land, Housing: Make it clear in legislation that local authorities make the final decision (through their LDF process) regarding housing allocation target numbers for their area, whilst still requiring them to cooperate and discuss housing strategies at a regional level.	housing

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50	Green Development & Flood Mitigation: Tax to have the effect of double water rates if private gardens are made impermeable.	environmental
61	Energy: Requirement to install Wind Turbines adjacent to the ring road roads (& other trunk roads) - This is clearly about both processes. The ring road is an almost derelict area, noisy and for the most part distant from housing. We should establish a series of Wind Turbines which are owned by the community and the profit used to support further greening of York and surrounds and help create a more equal community.	environmental
65	Waste: Make it illegal to make things that are non-repairable/recyclable (BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS FROM WRAP)	environmental
67	Waste: Charge business rates according to the waste produced from all of that company's products and processes (not just what they dispose of) and/or a packaging tax.	environmental
68	Waste: Legislation so that packaging can be taken back to local supermarkets for re-use, recycling, or they would have to pay the landfill tax for its disposal.	environmental
69	Waste: Review property law so that it is not theft to take things that would otherwise be going to landfill.	environmental
111	Require minimum levels of insulation before properties can be sold or rented (some financial aid for owners to bring buildings up to standard and limited exemptions for hard to treat properties eg listed buildings)	housing
112	Require composting toilets or reed bed systems and rainwater collection to be fitted in all new developments or on-site treatments tanks so no sewerage leaves the site and provide funding for the retrofitting of these. All recycles to allotment, garden or drinking water.	environmental
118	Requirement that trees, bushes etc used in landscaping be those that produce an edible crop eg fruit and nut trees, fruit bushes or those suitable for coppicing.	environmental
119	Govt promotion and new financial regs to allow the issue of Community Bonds to finance local building of renewable energy, sustainable homes, retrofitting etc	environmental

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123	Generate energy via community renewable energy so that money comes back into the community.	environmental
124	Change of regulation so that community based ambient renewable energy facilities are classified as general permitted developments (not requiring planning permission) but for community initiatives only, not for external companies.	environmental
130	Bring Commercial waste into councils targets for increasing recycling (I.e. by commercial waste in the system of LATS penalties)	environmental
133	Charge business rates according to the total waste produced as a result of all that company's products and processes (not just what they themselves dispose of) and/or packaging tax	environmental
148	Legislation to reduce the horse-power rating allowed for private vehicles, perhaps with application/proof of use necessary to buy high power agricultural/load towing 4x4 vehicles	transport
153	Let the City of York keep 100% of council house rental income	housing
182	Put environmental sustainability at the centre of local area agreements (rather than sidelining it as is currently the case) and require all 'Sustainable Community Strategies' to include detailed plans (with annual targets) for cutting greenhouse emissions in the local authority are by 40% by 2020.	environmental
184	Ensure that all landfill tax and LATS penalties are returned to local authorities for investment in further recycling, reduction, reuse and repair measures	revenue / tax
202	Improvements to Fulford lngs. It is mostly in private ownership but the public have access to it and it has Site of Specific Interest status. Natural England works with landowners on a management scheme but is finding it difficult to fund this. There are many things which would improve the site by preserving it biological diversity and making it more accessible to the public. Work needed would include improvements to the drainage and footpaths, new fencing gates and hedging. See sheet for full details.	environmental

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204	On the spot fines for parking on the verges is merely cosmetic and will not address the issue of cars obstructing pavements so it would be much more helpful if there were on the spot fines for parking on any raised pavement areas. This would assist not only the blind and partially sighted but also those in wheelchairs or with walking frames. We have examples in our area where walking frame users have to walk in the road because the cars are parked right across the pavement. Car owners driving past then shout at people for walking in the road. Cars also park over the lowered pavement access area thus forcing wheelchair users and their carers to negotiate kerbs - not acceptable. The quality of life and environment is impaired by those who park on any pavement area and on the spot fines would send a message that it is unacceptable in York and hopefully would lead to the problem being solved.	highways and street environment issues
211	I would like to see air compressed cars only allowed in the city centre.Can you in association with Yorkshire Forward invite MDI to start production here?	transport
213	Recycling/Waste Management in the City: Give the council powers to: 1) restrict wasteful packaging and promote recyclable or compostable packaging for take away food sales (I.e eliminate polystyrene boxes in favour of paper and card), 2) to require retail outlets and/or companies to collect recyclable containers (I.e. bottles and cans) against a deposit. For examples of this, look at germany. York could promote itself as a flagship city of sustainable waste management and reduce the litter problem in the process. 3) promote the use of (standard size and shape) returnable bottles, boxes and packaging, e.g for food. This could also be first implemented in local bye-laws. McDonalds etc. would not want to pass up on a major tourists attraction. Packaging can be returned by supermarkets in empty returning lorries.	environmental
214	Controls on energy consumption/carbon emissions: Give the council powers to: 1) to restrict usage of outdoor heating e.g gas heaters used in pubs. Also include restrictions on heating in e.g shops who leave their frontage wide open. 2) Relax conservation rules on listed buildings to allow double glazing and better insulation as well as renewable energy installations (solar water,photovoltaics) on roofs etc.	environmental
223	The national curriculum should be changed to include being a safe road user (including cycling and driver education). The national 'Bike It' cycle training should be government funded to be offered free in all schools.	education

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226	Companies should be taxed on any packaging other than cardboard and forced to accept it back for re-use or recycling as appropriate. Commercial waste should be included in the government target levels for cutting landfill and made to pay the same excess charge for exceeding those limits.	environmental
250	My concern for York, not just for Fishergate, is being ready for the consequences of climate change and peak oil. We need to be actively trying to mitigate these by e.g. localising food production and employment, improving flood defences	environmental
256	RIVALRY BETWEEN TWO ADJACENT VILLAGES - very little solid cooperation, and amenities developed separately, although shared to some extent. Most of commercial facilities in Haxby but more green space in Wigginton	community facilities and activities
260	Lots of green trees but nothing useful about those trees ie not edible or beneficial to bees etc. Lots of sealed surface (driveways and road and pavements)...	environmental
265	Extremely limited renewable microgeneration, esp. solar hot water heating. Disgusted at the variation in price, and quality of installations, I self-installed a solar hot water heating system a couple of years ago and I have slashed my gas bill,	environmental
270	HEP Scheme on Foss Weir	environmental
278	Demand that smokers to use eco-cigarettes which are fully in compliance with 'Smoking Free' law in the UK. (please see website www.ecocig.co.uk). (please see website www.ecocig.co.uk).	environmental
290	Take bold steps to deal with the appalling traffic problem and make commuting a pleasure: o a)Make public transport more favourable in cost and convenience than use of cars. Slash prices, increase frequency and charge motorists coming into the city to help pay for the public transport. o b)During rush-hours give an extra green light for cyclists to give them a head-start (and an incentive).	transport

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o c) Make cycling on narrow busy roads safer. E.g. Haxby Road; could it have a one-way priority system like the Huntington Road? o The solutions are out there. Look at Holland or Switzerland as models for how to solve urban traffic. It is achievable. Don't just tinker at the edges. 	
295	Community renewable energy projects	environmental
296	Encourage local initiatives to plant fruit bearing trees in local landscaping schemes - look for every opportunity and make this a positive local	environmental
298	Do everything required to bring in Personal Carbon budgets/rationing within 3 yrs (the situation is even more serious than it was in the 2nd World War).	environmental
310	Planning decision should remain LOCAL, not overturned by appeal to central government.	planning
318	Many houses in York have walls unsuitable for cavity wall insulation. Could the Council obtain technical advice on an effective method of insulating such properties or even help with funding. In conservation areas only inside walls could be treated	housing
325	No bank in Strensall	local economy