Cheryl Atkinson

From: Hambleton Parish
Sent: 07 August 2015 16:58

To: LDF

Subject: let's Talk PLAN Selby - Summer 2015 Consultation

I would like to make the following comments in answer to the Draft Study and Appendix B that provides a Settlement Profile for each Designated Service Village with particular reference to the village of Hambleton.

Question 10 (DSV)

Table 6.1 Key Service Provision

Hambleton only has 3 Key Services not 4 as stated. These are Primary School, Village Hall and a small Convenience Store. There has not been a Surgery or attached Pharmacy for many years and the P.O. closed several years ago. As there are only the three Key Services Hambleton should be in category 3 in the Table and NOT category 2.

Table 6.2 Public Transport Accessibility

Hambleton is very well placed on a transport route, the A63, but that is not the same as having good Public Transport Accessibility.

Any journey to the Principal locations mentioned in the Study require a journey of over 1 hour, with many journeys requiring a change of bus. As Public Transport is not integrated this can mean waiting for a bus or train before continuing the journey to the principal location. The Public Transport that is available to the residents of Hambleton is very limited, with no Public Transport available on Sundays and Bank Holidays and there is no late evening/night availability therefore many residents have to rely on private transport, for employment and recreational facilities, to reach any type of location, either Principal or Local.

Selby is the only location that is easy to access by Public Transport and that has its limitations because of no late evening/night services and no services on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Table 6.4

Does the above really qualify Hambleton as being in Category 2? More like it should be in Category 3 or Category 4.

Accessibility to Employment Centres

For all the reasons stated in Accessibility to Service Centres the same applies to this section whatever the status of the Employment Centre.

Selby is the only location that is easy to access but any shift workers living in Hambleton would have difficulty with Public Transport on a 10pm to 6am shift. Likewise the journey to Sherburn would require a walk of at least 30 minutes from the bus stop to access the industrial area where employees work a shift rota. Car ownership is really an essential for any working person who has employment outside Hambleton.

Again, how does Hambleton qualify for Category 2 with such poor Public Transport availability, and the majority of Employment Centres over 5 miles away and many over a 1 hour journey away.

I hope that the Draft study will be looked at again and these considerations taken into account because the use of private transport adds to and does not reduce carbon emissions, does not help with climate change, and adds more congestion to an already busy A road.

Appendix B - individual Settlement Profiles

Hambleton

There are a number of errors in this profile.

Only as the crow flies is Hambleton 3.5 miles from Selby, the road from the middle of Hambleton to the centre of Selby, by Public Transport using the direct route through Thorpe Willoughby, is approximately 4.2 miles.

The Bus Service to Castleford from Selby is a short Summer holiday service for the younger residents of the area to access recreational facilities that are available at Xscape. Selby Town Council organise this with the aid of several Parishes that contribute a small grant towards the running of the service. This should not be part of the profile as it is arranged year by year.

The Bus service to Leeds runs hourly through Hambleton, with a service as far as Sherburn available every half hour during bus service hours. This is not made clear on the Profile.

Services: Hambleton only has one Public House, a Hotel with restaurant, a Hairdresser's salon, a Garage repair workshop, a convenience store, and a home interior design/furniture/soft furnishings shop.

The Car Sales and Car Wash services have closed.

Village Profile - Thorpe Willoughby - Potential Development Sites

Please note that Thorpe Willoughby 14 and Thorpe Willoughby 9 are within Hambleton Parish and should be marked as such.

Question 11 (DSV)

Table 7.1

Many more houses than are stated in this table have been granted full planning permission (61) with some already at the construction stage.

Since 1 April 2015 a further number of full planning applications have been approved27) further adding to this total. The number of outline planning applications between March 2012 and the present day have not been taken into account, making the potential total even larger.

Table 7.3 - Option 2 Distribution based on services and accessibility

Hambleton has been classed in Category 2 as a result of the Categories it has been placed in for Transport and Accessibility.

As explained in Question 10 the poor standard of Public Transport and Access to Employment Centres should be re-evaluated before the decisions on distribution is made.

Table 7.8

It is noted that in Table 7.7 Monk Fryston has been classed in Category 1 with 8 points, could you please explain why Monk Fryston is the classed in Table 7.8 as Category 2 with the same 8 points, when it should be in Category 1.

If these are the only options to choose from, the best option is Option 2.

Question 12 (DSV)

All development from the start of the Planning period, for each village, should be taken into consideration because some villages will become over developed and others under developed. Infrastructure would be imbalanced, with some villages becoming large housing estates with little or no amenities for their residents.

Question 13 (DSV)

Hambleton is primarily a farming village, with very rural aspects. The village is surrounded with good quality, food producing farmland that should remain in tact.

Within the village there are several areas that are considered valuable to the community for their recreational use. The village green, the pinfold area, the triangle green on Chapel Street, the Play park on Garth Drive, the Recreation Field, the green space opposite the village hall and the field within the centre of the village that has been part of the whole street scene for many, many years.

Question 14 (DSV)

Many of the older houses that are between 250 and 110 years old, all the Listed Buildings, as well as the Church and the surrounding area, the Chapel and Schoolroom, the Hotel, the remaining Public House, the Pinfold, the village hall and the shops.

They are the village history and will help shape the future development of this village.

I hope these comments are helpful in shaping the development of this village within the whole of the development plan for the Selby District.

Regards,

Ingrid Millington

Hambleton Parish