

## **Appendix 1: Doncaster Local Plan Statement of Common Ground**

Doncaster Council is currently finalising the Statement of Common Ground; as such the final document has yet to be circulated. The supporting text (previously seen by officers) may be subject to refinement; however the following has been confirmed by Doncaster Council as the text of the agreements to which Rotherham Council would be signatory:

### **Housing**

**Agreement 1:** The Doncaster Local Plan proposes to fully meet the borough's objectively assessed needs to 2035 and is not proposing to accommodate any neighbouring authorities need as Doncaster functions largely as a self-contained housing market area. This will be kept under review through AMRs and 5-year deliverable housing land supply statements.

**Agreement 2:** Engagement will continue to take place with adjoining authorities to ensure that the loss of Green Belt is kept to a minimum. For this Doncaster Local Plan, it has been confirmed that no adjoining districts are in a position to accommodate any of Doncaster's needs.

**Agreement 3:** Doncaster Council will continue to share evidence and information including updates to and the content of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan to ensure that adequate infrastructure is provided to meet the scale and location of housing need. On-going work will continue with adjoining authorities, the MCA, Highways England and SYPTTE on issues such as traffic impacts and mitigation.

### **Gypsies, travellers and travelling show people**

**Agreement 4:** The Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment and Travelling Show People Accommodation Need Assessment will be updated as and when required. Doncaster Council will work closely with adjoining local authorities to meet any recognised gypsy and traveller need.

### **Employment**

**Agreement 5:** The Doncaster Local Plan proposes to meet the borough's job needs/land requirement to 2035. Doncaster is a separate functional economic market area. This will be kept under review through AMRs, employment land availability and updates to Employment Land Reviews/Employment Land Need Assessments.

**Agreement 6:** Doncaster Council will continue to share evidence and information including updates to and content of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan to ensure that adequate infrastructure is provided to meet the scale and location of employment need. On-going work will continue with adjoining authorities, the MCA, Highways England and SYPTTE on issues such as traffic impacts and mitigation.

### **Transport Infrastructure**

**Agreement 7:** Doncaster Council will continue to liaise and share evidence with adjoining authorities, the MCA and Highways England to help identify and quantify specific strategic highway network capacity, shortfalls and future requirements linked to scale and phasing of development.

### **Retail and town centres**

**Agreement 11:** Evidence relating to retail and town centres will continue to be monitored however it is likely that no cross boundary issues will be identified. Doncaster Council will liaise with adjacent local authorities to identify any specific impacts and consider if mitigation is necessary.

### **Green Infrastructure**

**Agreement 13:** Effective liaison is to take place to ensure established and new green infrastructure networks and ecological corridors are created and maintained and (if necessary) expanded.

## **Built and historic environment**

**Agreement 15:** Consultation with Historic England will continue throughout the Local Plan process to ensure there are no adverse impacts on the existing built and historic environment from new allocations such as housing, employment and minerals.

## **Waste Management**

**Agreement 17:** Work with the South Yorkshire authorities to agree to, and subsequently prepare a new joint Waste Plan and liaise / engage with adjacent and other relevant authorities as and when required.

## **Minerals**

**Agreement 19.1:** To seek to provide for the sustainable use of aggregate minerals to ensure sufficient supply of material to provide for planned infrastructure and development proposals. Each producing area identified in this document will continue to supply (should conditions allow) aggregate to support infrastructure developments in authorities within Yorkshire and Humber Aggregate Working Party (AWP) area.

**Agreement 19.2:** To recognise Local Aggregate Assessments, Aggregate Minerals Survey for England and Wales, 2014 (AM2014) and any subsequent national, regional or local monitoring as evidence of the cross boundary movements of aggregate minerals. This recognises movements between all producing and receiving areas, and will be used in determining the aggregate mineral provision required in each Local Plan area.

**Agreement 19.3:** That there are national, regional and sub-regional concerns regarding the supply of concreting aggregates, namely sharp sand and gravel. Doncaster, Nottinghamshire, North Yorkshire and East Riding's supply of sharp sand and gravel is declining and resources from other areas may be required (in the long term) to provide additional imports to meet Local Plan requirements. These shortages will be identified in Local Aggregates Assessments and landbank calculations.

**Agreement 19.4:** Share advice and information (including aggregate monitoring information) to complement the preparation Local Plans and Aggregate Assessments (including landbanks, locations of permitted reserves (relative to the market), and capacity of reserves).

**Agreement 19.5:** To monitor the current situation and continue dialogue between MPAs regarding trends in imports / exports. Specifically forecasting aggregate mineral demand in different areas of Yorkshire and Humber and the likely impact on resources in the Yorkshire and Humber AWP area as a whole.

**Agreement 19.6:** To cooperate in the preparation of Local Plan policies and evidence base requirements including:

- Mineral Safeguarding Areas and safeguarding associated infrastructure
- Mineral Allocations (including Specific Sites, Preferred Areas, and Areas of Search)
- Aggregate, Non-aggregate and energy mineral requirements (where appropriate)

**Agreement 19.7:** Each non-mineral authority will seek to be more sustainable in the use of aggregates (such as crushed rock, sand and gravel and secondary aggregate) to reduce pressure on resources in Mineral Planning Authority areas.