# Ilkley Neighbourhood Development Plan (INDP)

# **Basic Conditions Statement**

(Paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990)

# Ilkley Town Council

With assistance from



# 1.0 Introduction

1.1 Planning Practice Guidance (Paragraph: 065 Reference ID: 41-065-20140306)<sup>1</sup> sets out that only a draft neighbourhood plan or order that meets each of a set of basic conditions can be put to a referendum and be made. The basic conditions are set out in paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as applied to neighbourhood plans by section 38A of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The basic conditions are:

a. having regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State it is appropriate to make the order (or neighbourhood plan).

*b.* having special regard to the desirability of preserving any listed building or its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest that it possesses, it is appropriate to make the order. This applies only to Orders.

c. having special regard to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of any conservation area, it is appropriate to make the order. This applies only to Orders.

*d.* the making of the order (or neighbourhood plan) contributes to the achievement of sustainable development.

*e.* the making of the order (or neighbourhood plan) is in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan for the area of the authority (or any part of that area).

*f.* the making of the order (or neighbourhood plan) does not breach, and is otherwise compatible with, EU obligations.

g. prescribed conditions are met in relation to the Order (or plan) and prescribed matters have been complied with in connection with the proposal for the order (or neighbourhood plan).

1.2 This Basic Conditions Statement sets out how the Ilkley Neighbourhood Development Plan (INDP) has been prepared to meet the basic conditions. It has been prepared as a supporting document for consideration by the INDP independent Examiner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/neighbourhood-planning--2#basic-conditions-for-neighbourhood-plan-to-referendum</u>

# 2.0 Legal Requirements

### 2.1 The Submission Plan is being submitted by a qualifying body

This Submission Plan is being submitted by a qualifying body, namely Ilkley Town Council (ITC). The area was designated by City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2013 (<u>https://www.bradford.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/neighbourhood-areas/?Folder=Ilkley</u>)

### 2.2 What is being proposed is a neighbourhood development plan

The plan being proposed relates to planning matters (the use and development of land) and has been prepared in accordance with the statutory requirements and processes set out in the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011) and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 and subsequent amendments.

### 2.3 The proposed neighbourhood plan states the period for which it is to have effect

The INDP states the period for which it is to have effect. That period is from 2020 to 2030, the same plan period as City of Bradford Local Plan Core Strategy (LPCS).

#### 2.4 The policies do not relate to excluded development

The INDP does not deal with county matters (mineral extraction and waste development), nationally significant infrastructure or any other matters set out in Section 61K of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

# 2.5 The proposed neighbourhood plan does not relate to more than one neighbourhood area and there are no other neighbourhood development plans in place within the neighbourhood area.

The INDP relates to the designated Ilkley neighbourhood area and to no other area. There are no other neighbourhood plans relating to that neighbourhood area. The designated neighbourhood plan area has the same boundary as that for the Town Council at the time of the designation and is shown on Figure 1 in the INDP.

## **3.0** Basic Conditions

# **Basic Condition a.** Having regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State, it is appropriate to make the plan

3.1 The INDP has been prepared having appropriate regard to the policies set out in the revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF, February 2019)<sup>2</sup>.

#### Achieving Sustainable Development (NPPF, section 2)

- 3.2 Paragraph 1 of the NPPF explains that '*The National Planning Policy Framework sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these should be applied.*' Paragraph 7 sets out that '*The purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development.*' The planning system has 3 overarching objectives to achieve sustainable development (paragraph 8): an economic objective, a social objective and an environmental objective. These should be delivered through the preparation and implementation of plans (paragraph 9).
- 3.3 Table 1 sets out how the INDP delivers the 3 overarching Objectives:

#### Table 1 Delivering Sustainable Development

NPPF Overarching Objectives	INDP Policies and Proposals
a) <b>an economic objective</b> – to help build a strong, responsive and competitive economy, by ensuring that sufficient land of the right types is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth, innovation and improved productivity; and by identifying and coordinating the provision of infrastructure;	<ul> <li>The INDP supports this national planning policy objective through its policies for the following:</li> <li>New housing (INDP1)</li> <li>Traffic and Transport (INDP14)</li> <li>Walking and Cycling (INDP15)</li> <li>Leisure and tourism (INDP16)</li> <li>Ilkley town centre (INDP17)</li> <li>Protection of existing employment sites (INDP20)</li> </ul>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2

NPPF Overarching Objectives	INDP Policies and Proposals
b) <b>a social objective</b> – to support strong, vibrant and healthy communities, by ensuring that a sufficient number and range of homes can be provided to meet the needs of present and future generations; and by fostering a well-designed and safe built environment, with accessible services and open spaces that reflect current and future needs and support communities' health, social and cultural well-being;	<ul> <li>The INDP supports this national planning policy objective through its policies for the following:</li> <li>New housing (INDP1)</li> <li>Protection of community facilities (INDP2)</li> <li>Protection of recreation facilities (INDP3)</li> <li>Protection of allotments and community gardens (INDP4)</li> <li>Protection of local green spaces (INDP10)</li> <li>Traffic and Transport (INDP14)</li> <li>Walking and Cycling (INDP15)</li> <li>Meeting the needs of all (INDP21)</li> </ul>
c) <b>an environmental objective</b> - to contribute to protecting and enhancing our natural, built and historic environment; including making effective use of land, helping to improve biodiversity, using natural resources prudently, minimising waste and pollution, and mitigating and adapting to climate change, including moving to a low carbon economy.	<ul> <li>The INDP supports this national planning policy objective through its policies for the following:</li> <li>Encouraging high quality and zero carbon design (INDP5)</li> <li>Conservation Areas (INDP6-9)</li> <li>Local green spaces (INDP10)</li> <li>Green corridors (INDP11)</li> <li>Landscape (INDP12)</li> <li>Biodiversity (INDP13)</li> <li>Traffic and Transport (INDP14)</li> <li>Walking and Cycling (INDP15)</li> <li>Public Realm (INDP19)</li> </ul>

## Plan Making (NPPF, section 3)

# Table 2 Plan Making

NPPF Plan Making	INDP
a) be prepared with the objective of contributing to the achievement of sustainable development;	The INDP has been prepared to contribute to sustainable development; Table 1 above sets out how the Plan's objectives, policies and proposals address economic, social and environmental objectives.
b) be prepared positively, in a way that is aspirational but deliverable;	The INDP has been prepared positively to support new development and to protect key environmental assets. The plan is both aspirational and deliverable.
c) be shaped by early, proportionate and effective engagement between plan-makers and communities, local organisations, businesses, infrastructure providers and operators and statutory consultees;	All the policies have been prepared through an extensive and thorough approach to community engagement. This has led to regular and constructive involvement of the local community in the plan- making process.
	The accompanying Consultation Statement sets out the details of the extensive and wide ranging community consultation and engagement activities which have been undertaken at all stages of the INDP's preparation.
	At each consultation stage representations have been considered carefully and appropriate amendments to the INDP made.
d) contain policies that are clearly written and unambiguous, so it is evident how a decision maker should react to development proposals;	The INDP policies and proposals have been prepared by a Working Group on behalf of the Town Council, with support from a planning consultant and planning officers at City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council.

<sup>3.4</sup> In Section 3 Plan Making, the NPPF sets out the 6 principles that plans should address. Table 2 sets out how the INDP addresses each of these in turn.

NPPF Plan Making	INDP
	Amendments have been made at key stages to improve the clarity and reduce ambiguity, but it is understood that the Examiner is likely to recommend further changes to wording following the examination process.
e) be accessible through the use of digital tools to assist public involvement and policy presentation; and	Updates and documents have been provided on the Town Council website at all stages of plan preparation: <u>https://towncouncil.ilkley.org/</u> Responses by email were invited at informal and formal consultation
	stages.
f) serve a clear purpose, avoiding unnecessary duplication of policies that apply to a particular area (including policies in this Framework, where relevant).	The INDP has been amended and updated to reduce duplication with policies in the development plan. Again, it is understood that the Examination may lead to further changes to policies and supporting text.

### The Plan Making Framework (NPPF, section 3)

3.5 Paragraph 18 sets out that policies to address non-strategic matters should be included in local plans that contain both strategic and non-strategic policies, and/or in local or neighbourhood plans that contain just non-strategic policies. The INDP contains non-strategic planning policies and proposals that add local detail and value to strategic policies in the LPCS and the extant saved policies in the Replacement Unitary Development Plan (RUDP). The supporting text for the INDP policies refers to strategic policies, where relevant.

### Non-strategic policies (NPPF, Section 3)

3.6 Paragraph 29 advises that neighbourhood planning gives communities the power to develop a shared vision for their area. Neighbourhood plans can shape, direct and help to deliver sustainable development, by influencing local planning decisions as part of the statutory development plan.

Neighbourhood plans should not promote less development than set out in the strategic policies for the area or undermine those strategic policies. The INDP does not undermine the LPCS and RUDP strategic planning policies. It seeks to set more local non-strategic policies to tackle more local issues to help retain the area and various settlements' local identity and distinctiveness.

3.7 Paragraph 30 goes on to say that once a neighbourhood plan has been brought into force, the policies it contains take precedence over existing non-strategic policies in a local plan covering the neighbourhood area, where they are in conflict; unless they are superseded by strategic or non-strategic policies that are adopted subsequently.

#### Delivering a sufficient supply of homes (NPPF, section 5)

3.8 Paragraph 65 sets out that strategic policies should also set out a housing requirement for designated neighbourhood areas which reflects the overall strategy for the pattern and scale of development and any relevant allocations. The housing requirement for Ilkley is set out in the Local Plan Core Strategy.

#### Promoting healthy and safe communities (NPPF, section 8)

3.9 Paragraph 91 of NPPF sets out that planning policies and decisions should aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places which promote social interaction, are safe and accessible and enable and support healthy lifestyles. The INDP includes policies which protect community facilities, recreation facilities, local green spaces and seek development that meets the needs of all.

#### Promoting sustainable transport (NPPF, section 9)

3.10 Transport issues should be considered from the earliest stages of plan-making (Paragraph 102). This is so that opportunities from existing or proposed transport infrastructure, and changing transport technology and usage, are realised; opportunities to promote walking, cycling and public transport use are identified and pursued; and the environmental impacts of traffic and transport infrastructure can be identified, assessed and taken into account. Paragraph 104 of NPPF sets out that planning policies should provide for high quality walking and cycling networks and supporting facilities such as cycle parking. The INDP includes Policies for the following traffic and transport (INDP14) and walking and cycling (INDP15).

#### Achieving well-designed places (NPPF, section 12)

3.11 Paragraph 124 explains that the creation of high quality buildings and places is fundamental to what the planning and development process should achieve. Paragraph 125 goes on to say that design policies should be developed with local communities, so they reflect local aspirations, and are grounded in an understanding and evaluation of each area's defining characteristics. Neighbourhood plans can play an important role in identifying the special qualities of each area and explaining how this should be reflected in development. The INDP includes a number of policies that impact

on design: a policy on quality design and sustainable construction (INDP5); 4 conservation area policies (INDP6-9); public realm (INDP18); shopfronts (INDP19); and meeting the needs of all (INDP21).

#### Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change (NPPF, section 14)

3.12 The planning system should support the transition to a low carbon future in a changing climate, taking full account of flood risk and coastal change. It should help to: shape places in ways that contribute to radical reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, minimise vulnerability and improve resilience; encourage the reuse of existing resources, including the conversion of existing buildings; and support renewable and low carbon energy and associated infrastructure (NPPF, paragraph 148). Policy INDP5 of the INDP seeks to promote sustainable design and construction.

#### Conserving and enhancing the natural environment (NPPF, section 15)

3.13 Paragraph 170 advises that planning policies and decisions should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by protecting and enhancing valued landscapes and sites of biodiversity and recognising the intrinsic character and beauty of the countryside. The INDP includes planning policy for Local Green Space (INDP10), green corridors (INDP11), landscape character (INDP12), and biodiversity (INDP13).

#### Conserving and enhancing the historic environment (NPPF, section 16)

3.14 Paragraph 184 advises that heritage assets are an irreplaceable resource and should be conserved in a manner appropriate to their significance, so that they can be enjoyed for their contribution to the quality of life of existing and future generations. Paragraph 18 goes on to say that plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. The INDP includes planning policy for the area's conservation areas (INDP6-9).

# **Basic condition b.** Having special regard to the desirability of preserving any listed building or its setting or any features of special architectural historic interest

3.15 The INDP took account of designated heritage assets during its preparation, including the area's listed buildings.

[Note: this Basic Condition only applies to neighbourhood development orders but has been included for the sake of completeness].

# **Basic condition c.** Having special regard to the desirability of preserving or enhancing character or appearance of any conservation area

3.16 The INDP area includes 3 Conservation Areas, full account has been taken of these in preparing the INDP and a separate planning policy developed for each area.

[Note: this Basic Condition only applies to neighbourhood development orders but has been included for the sake of completeness].

### Basic condition d. Contributes to the achievement of sustainable development

3.17 The Submission INDP contributes strongly to the achievement of sustainable development. This is set out in more detail in Table 1 above in relation to the economic, social and environmental objectives of the NPPF.

### Basic condition e. In general conformity with strategic local planning policy

3.18 The Submission INDP is in general conformity with strategic Local Plan policies contained in the adopted LPCS and RUDP. Table 3 sets out the way that the neighbourhood plan conforms to the relevant strategic planning policies in the LPCS and RUDP.

# Table 3 General Conformity with Strategic Planning Policies in the Local Plan Core Strategy (LPCS) and Replacement Unitary Development plan(RUDP)

Ilkley NDP Policies	Local Plan Core Strategy (LPCS)	Replacement Unitary Development plan (RUDP)	General Conformity
Policy INDP1 New Housing	LPCS Policy 1 (SC1) Overall Approach	None relevant.	Policy INDP1 helps to support the
Development within Ilkley	and Key Spatial Priorities		Spatial Vision of the Local Plan
			Core Strategy, in particular, that
Within the existing built-up area of	Local Plan Core Strategy Strategic		by 2030: "The growth of the City
Ilkley, i.e. land not currently within	Core Policy 3 (SC3): Working		of Bradford and the towns along
the Green Belt, new development for	Together.		Airedale and Wharfedale has
housing will be supported when it:			been supported by a significant
	Strategic Core Policy 4 (SC4):		increase in the delivery of new
a) Re-uses previously developed land	Hierarchy of Settlements.		houses, both market and
and buildings;			affordable. This growth has
b) Would not lead to the loss of	Strategic Core Policy 5 (SC5):		driven the economic and social
protected open or local green spaces;	Location of Development.		transformation of the District."
c) Would not lead to the loss of an			
identified community facility;	HO1: The District's Housing		Policy INDP1 also supports Local
d) Would not have a significant	Requirement.		Plan Core Strategy Policies 1 (SC1)
adverse impact on a listed building			Overall Approach and Key Spatial
			Priorities that seeks to support,

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and/or Conservation Area or the setting of such an asset;	HO3: The Distribution of Housing Development.		protect and enhance the role of Ilkley as a Principal Town; and
e) Has been designed to meet the	•		Strategic Core Policy 4 (SC4):
guidance contained in the design	HO6: Maximising the Use of		Hierarchy of Settlements that
policies of this plan, the Core	Previously Developed Land (PDL).		identifies as a Principal Town that
Strategy, and the Ilkley Design			will be the main local focus for
Statement; and	HO8: Housing Mix		housing, employment, shopping,
f) Would not have an adverse effect	_		leisure, education, health and
upon the integrity of the South	Sub Area Policy WD1: Wharfedale.		cultural activities and
Pennine Moors Special Protection			facilities.
Area (SPA) or Special Area of			
Conservation (SAC) as set out in			In providing this support Policy
Bradford Core Strategy Policy SC8.			INDP1 is in line with Local Plan
Housing density on most sites should			Core Strategy Strategic Core
be a minimum of 30 dwellings per			Policy 3 (SC3): Working Together.
hectare. Higher densities will be			
supported in the following locations:			Policy INDP1 supports the
i) in the town centre;			approach set out in Strategic Core
<li>ii) locations well served by</li>			Policy 5 (SC5): Location of
public transport; and			Development by seeking to reuse
iii) in areas where the local			previously developed land within
built character is more			the existing built-up are of Ilkley,
suitable for			providing that these would not
higher density development.			have a negative impact on other
Should Green Belt sites be			interests of acknowledged
released these should be			importance (criteria a to f).
developed in such a			
way as to optimise the			Outside of the settlement
density of development in			boundary development would be
			on Green Belt land. Development

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line with policy in chapter 11			of such sites is not a matter for
of the NPPF.			the INDP, but the INDP seeks to ensure such sites are developed
Should Green Belt sites be released			in a way consistent with national
these should be developed in such a			planning policy.
way as to optimise the density of			p
development in line with policy in			Policy INDP1 helps support Local
chapter 11 of the NPPF.			Plan Core Strategy Policy HO1
			and the district's housing
All housing sites of 10 units or more			requirement and the distribution
should have a suitable mix of house			of housing development set out
types, sizes and tenures so that they			in Local Plan Core Strategy Policy
contribute to sustaining a healthy,			НО3.
balanced community when assessed			
against policies in the Core Strategy			Policy INDP1 Also supports the
and the following:			objectives of Local Plan Core
			Strategy Policy HO5 in seeking to
g) This mix should include dwellings			prioritise the use of previously
suitable for starter homes and			developed land.
dwellings that would create			Deligy INDD1 is in general
downsizing opportunities. Development heavily favouring			Policy INDP1 is in general conformity with Policy HO8 of the
houses of one size or type will not be			LPCS that seeks to promote a mix
supported; or			of housing on larger sites of 10 or
h) On sites of less than 10 dwellings			more dwellings. The INDP seeks
the proposed mix should			to identify additional types of
contribute to a healthy and balanced			housing for such sites, including
community when assessed in			starter homes and downsizing
relation to the range of housing			opportunities. The INDP also
found within the immediate local			seeks to encourage a mix of

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neighbourhood of the site. i) Support will be given to community land trusts, self-build, custom and co-housing.			<ul> <li>housing on smaller sites (criterion</li> <li>h) and to also support housing</li> <li>provided through community</li> <li>land trusts, self-build, custom</li> <li>and co-housing.</li> <li>Policy INDP1 supports Local Plan</li> <li>Core Strategy sub area policy</li> <li>WD1 that sets the strategy for</li> <li>the Wharfedale sub area.</li> <li>There are no issues of general</li> <li>conformity with the RUDP.</li> </ul>
Policy INDP2 Protecting and Enhancing Community Facilities Existing Facilities There will be a presumption in favour of the protection of existing community facilities. Where planning permission is required, the change of use of existing community facilities, as listed below, will only be supported for other health, education or community type uses (such as community halls, local clubhouses, health centres, schools, public houses and children's day nurseries). When a	Strategic Core Policy 4 (SC4): Hierarchy of Settlements. Sub Area Policy WD1: Wharfedale.	None relevant.	Policy INDP2 is in general conformity with Policy SC4 of the Local Plan Core Strategy that identifies Ilkley as a Principal Town that <i>"will be the main local</i> <i>focus for housing, employment,</i> <i>shopping, leisure, education,</i> <i>health and cultural activities and</i> <i>facilities"</i> In protecting identified community facilities Policy INDP2 is also in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy Sub Area Policy WD1 that sets policy for Ilkley and identifies:

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non-community use (e.g. housing) is proposed to replace, either by conversion or re-development, one of the facilities listed below such development will only be supported when one of the following can be demonstrated: a) The proposal includes alternative provision, on a site within the locality, of equivalent or enhanced facilities. Such sites should be accessible by public transport, walking and cycling and have adequate cycle and car parking.; or b) Where facilities are considered to be no longer needed or suitable for continued community facility use, satisfactory evidence is put forward by the applicant that, over a minimum period of 12 months, it has been demonstrated, through active marketing of the site, that there is no longer a need or demand for the facility.			"the creation of 1,000 new homes focused on urban redevelopment opportunities together with a significant contribution from green belt changes in sustainable locations. <u>Provision</u> <u>will be made for associated</u> <u>community</u> facilities, in particular new <u>schools as required and provision</u> of recreation and open space to address current deficiencies."
The facilities to be protected are listed as follows and shown on the			

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Policies Map. [for a list of facilities protected see pages 24-26 of the INDP].			
Policy INDP3 Protecting and	Policy EN1: Protection and	OS2 Protection of Recreation	Policy INDP3 is in general
Enhancing Recreation Facilities	improvements in provision of	Open	conformity with Policy EN1 of the
	Open Space and Recreation	Space.	Local Plan Core Strategy that sets
There will be a presumption in favour	Facilities.		out that:
of the protection of the existing		OS3 Protection of Playing	
recreation facilities listed below and		Fields.	A. Land identified as recreation
identified on the Policies Map. This includes children's play areas listed			open space, or which is currently or was
under Policy INDP10.			formerly used for recreation open
			space will be protected from
INDP3/1 - Ben Rhydding Sports			development.
Complex			Recreation open space includes
INDP3/2 - Clevedon House, Ben			the following range of typologies;
Rhydding Drive (swimming pool)			parks and
INDP3/3 – Ilkley Lawn Tennis and			gardens, natural and semi-natural
Squash Club (including gym)			greenspaces, green corridors,
INDP3/4 - Ilkley Bowls Club and hall			amenity and
INDP3/5 - Ilkley Cricket Club and			local greenspace, outdoor sports
pavilion			facilities, provision for children,
INDP3/6 – Ilkley Lido Complex			allotments,
INDP3/7 - Ilkley Rugby Union Football Club			civic spaces and also areas of water which offer opportunities
INDP3/8 - Olicana Cricket Club			for sport and
INDP3/9 - West Holmes playing field			recreation.
and pavilion			Exceptions will only be made
			where:

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INDP3/10 – Ilkley Golf Club (the part			1. The proposal includes
in the neighbourhood area)			alternative equivalent or better
INDP3/11 – Ben Rhydding Golf Club			provision in terms of
INDP3/12 – Ilkley Riding Centre,			quantity, quality, accessibility and
Leeds Road			management arrangements, and
			2. The loss of open space does
Proposals leading to the loss of these			not lead to a deficiency in the
recreation facilities will not be			area, taking
supported unless:			into account the most recent
			assessments of existing provision
a) The applicant has undertaken an			and future
assessment which clearly shows the			proposals for growth, and
identified facility is surplus to			3. The site is not suitable to meet
requirements; or			any identified deficiency in other
b) The loss resulting from the			types of
proposed development would be			open space."
replaced by equivalent or better			
provision in terms of quantity and			Policy INDP3 is in general
quality in a location accessible to			conformity with saved RUDP
existing users, including residents of			Policy OS2 that protects
the neighbourhood area; or			recreation open space.
c) The development is for alternative			
sports and recreation provision,			Policy INDP3 is in general
the benefits of which for the			conformity with saved RUDP
neighbourhood area clearly outweigh			Policy OS3 that seeks to protect
the loss of the existing identified			playing fields.
facility.			
Policy INDP4 Allotments and	Policy EN1: Protection and	OS6 Allotments.	In identifying allotments and
Community Gardens	improvements in provision of		community gardens Policy INDP4

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	Open Space and Recreation		provides local policy detail and is
Existing allotments will be protected	Facilities.		in general conformity with Local
in the following locations:			Plan Core Strategy Policy EN1,
			criterion D that states:
INDP4/1 - Bridge Lane			
INDP4/2 - Castle Road			"A. Land identified as recreation
INDP4/3 - Leeds Road/River Wharfe			open space, or which is currently
INDP4/4 – St John's Community			or was
Garden			formerly used for recreation open
			space will be protected from
The redevelopment of allotment			development.
provision will only be supported			Recreation open space includes
when:			the following range of typologies;
			parks and
a) Replacement provision is provided,			gardens, natural and semi-
of at least equivalent quality,			natural greenspaces, green
and in a location accessible for			corridors, amenity and
existing and future plot holders; or			local greenspace, outdoor sports
b) In order to provide a better			facilities, provision for children,
geographic spread of allotments			<u>allotments</u> ,
within the neighbourhood area, and			civic spaces and also areas of
improve local people's access to such			water which offer opportunities
facilities more land for new			for sport and
allotments will be identified in Ilkley			recreation."
and Ben Rhydding as to its suitability,			
for example the land on Wheatley			Policy INDP4 is in general
Lane next to the Ben Rhydding Scout			conformity with saved RUDP
and Guide Group halls.			Policy OS6 that identified and
			protected allotments at the time

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Existing Community Orchards will be protected in the following locations:			of the RUDP's adoption. The INDP updates this position.
INDP4/5 – Wheatley Lane Recreation Ground, Ben Rhydding INDP4/6 – East Holmes Field, Ilkley			
New allotment provision will be supported, including in the Green Belt (as long as they preserve the openness of the Green Belt and do not conflict with the purposes of the Green Belt), and when the proposal is in reasonable walking distance of residential areas and schools, and such proposals would not have a significant detrimental impact on residential amenity, the setting of a Conservation Area, or the local landscape.			
In order to provide a better geographic spread of allotments, within the neighbourhood area, land for new allotments will be identified and explored as to its suitability, such as the land on Wheatley Lane next to the Ben Rhydding Scout and Guide Group halls.			

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Policy INDP5 Encouraging High	Strategic Core Policy 2 (SC2):	None relevant.	Policy INDP5 is in general
Quality and Zero Carbon Design	Climate Change and Resource Use		conformity with Local Plan Core
			Strategy Policy SC2 that seeks to
Responding to the Ilkley Local	Strategic Core Policy SC9: Making		implement a range of measures
Context	Great Places.		to reduce carbon emissions and
			move to a low carbon economy,
New development should	Policy DS1: Achieving Good Design		including renewable energy
demonstrate a positive and engaging			generation.
approach to design. Schemes should	Policy EN6: Energy		
aim to enhance local visual interest			Policy INDP5 is in line with Local
and make a harmonious, positive,			Plan Core Strategy Strategic
attractive contribution to the local			Policy SC9. It seeks to set a
street scene.			detailed set of development
			management criteria that will
Specifically designs should			help to create high quality places
incorporate the following principles:			and attractive, cohesive,
a) Cabamaa ahayid ba afa aaala			sustainable settlements.
a) Schemes should be of a scale, mass and built form which respond			Deline INDDE eles provides further
to and reinforce the characteristics of			Policy INDP5 also provides further detailed development
the site and local context. Proposals			management criteria to help to
for new housing should not feature			implement Local Plan Core
generic schemes, but demonstrate			Strategy Policy DS1.
how they take account of and			
incorporate the best built and natural			Policy INDP5 is also in general
environmental features identified			conformity with LPCS Policy EN6
within the character of the area in			that supports the development of
which they are to be sited;			renewable and low carbon
,			sources of energy.

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b) Care should be taken to ensure			
that building(s) height, scale, and			
form, including the roofline and roof			
and tile material and colour, do not			
disrupt the visual amenities of the			
street scene and impact on any			
significant wider landscape views.			
Due to the topography and layout of			
many streets in Ilkley, rear elevations			
are often more visible to the public			
and therefore rear extensions and			
rear dormers need to be of a			
standard deemed appropriate to that			
for a front elevation;			
c) New buildings should follow a			
consistent design approach to the			
use of materials, fenestration, the			
roofline and roof and tile material			
and colour when assessed in relation			
to other buildings on the site and			
adjoining buildings surrounding the			
site;			
d) Materials should be chosen to			
complement the design of a			
development and add to the quality			
or character of the surrounding			
environment. Locally appropriate			
materials should be used such as			
Yorkshire Gritstone, traditional local			
brick, light coloured render and			

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slate or stone slates for roofs;			
e) Innovative contemporary design			
that can be demonstrated by the			
applicant to be of a high design			
quality that responds to local			
character and context will be			
supported when it enriches the			
town's architectural			
heritage;			
f) Where planning permission is			
required, extensions should be small			
in scale and subordinate to the			
original building;			
g) Proposals should minimise the			
impact on existing and future			
amenity of residents and businesses			
and give careful consideration to			
noise, odour and light emissions.			
Light pollution should be minimised,			
wherever possible, and street and			
security lighting designed to be			
unobtrusive and energy efficient;			
h) Proposals that have an interface			
between the built-up area of Ilkley			
town and the existing Green Belt, or			
proposals that would create a new			
interface between the built area and			
Green Belt, should include measures			
(such as, but not limited to,			
landscaping, screening, appropriate			

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building height) that minimise the			
visual impact of the development			
when viewed from the Green			
Belt; and			
i) In the wider rural area,			
redevelopment, alteration or			
extension of farm and agricultural			
buildings should be sensitive to the			
distinctive character,			
materials and form of Mid-			
Wharfedale.			
j) Street trees help reduce traffic			
speed, provide shade and shelter and			
absorb pollution and will be			
protected and promoted.			
Consideration must be			
given to retaining street trees within			
development proposals including			
those with Tree Protection Orders			
(TPOs). Where the removal of street			
trees is unavoidable (for example			
due to disease) they should be			
replaced with a tree of appropriate			
variety. Street trees will be promoted			
in new developments.			
Sustainable Design			
k) Applicants will be required to			
demonstrate, ideally through the			

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provision of a proportionate			
sustainability statement, how the			
design (e.g. siting and orientation to			
optimise passive solar gain), energy			
efficiency measures and renewable			
and low carbon energy generation			
incorporated into such development			
supports the transition to a zero			
carbon future. All new developments			
must generate a minimum of 10%			
of their regulated energy use on-site			
from renewable and low carbon			
sources (The "Merton Rule").			
I) Any hard surfaces should be			
permeable, allowing surface water to			
soak away and incorporate the			
principles of sustainable drainage			
systems (SUDS).			
m) Good thermal performance of			
buildings, including use of thermally			
efficient building materials, is			
encouraged to help reduce fuel			
poverty, and ensure that local			
residents are able to live in warm,			
healthy homes			
which they can afford to heat.			
n) The INDP supports the retro-fitting			
of historic buildings to improve			
their energy efficiency, whilst			
ensuring their heritage significance is			

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protected. Where appropriate, new			
housing should be capable of being			
adapted to meet the changing needs			
of occupants over time.			
o) New commercial development			
should aim to meet as a minimum			
the relevant design category of			
Buildings Research Establishment			
BREEAM building standard			
'excellent'.			
p) Developments should			
demonstrate how they have been			
designed to mitigate and adapt to			
climate change and natural hazards			
including flooding from increased			
rainfall as well as minimising			
overheating and reliance on air			
conditioning systems.			
q) All developments should be			
designed taking into account best			
practice in water efficiency, such as			
water efficient fittings and			
appliances, water harvesting and			
storage features, and green roofs.			
r) Hard surfaces, such as driveways,			
should be permeable, allowing			
surface water to soak away. New			
developments must incorporate			
sustainable drainage systems to			
reduce the runoff of surface water.			

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Where the feature is communal			
rather than building specific this			
should be designed as an integral			
part of the green infrastructure and			
street			
network, so that sustainable			
drainage systems are positive			
features of the development. Such			
systems should effectively mitigate			
any adverse effects from surface			
water run-off and flooding on			
people, property and			
the ecological value of the local			
environment.			
s) Development should include			
landscaping and planting of native			
species of local provenance,			
including species that encourage			
pollinators.			
Renewable Energy			
The INDP supports proposals for			
individual and community scale			
renewable and low carbon energy			
generation that is 'community-led'			
or 'meets the needs' of the local			
community. This includes from solar			
photovoltaic panels and proposals			
for standalone renewable energy			

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developments subject to the			
following criteria:			
• the siting and scale of the proposed development is appropriate to its setting and position in the wider landscape; and			
<ul> <li>the proposed development does</li> </ul>			
not create an unacceptable impact on the amenities of local residents; and			
<ul> <li>the proposed development does</li> </ul>			
not have an unacceptable impact on			
a feature of natural or biodiversity			
importance.			
Policy INDP6 General Principles for	Policy EN3: Historic Environment.	None relevant.	Policy INDP6 is in general
New Development in Conservation			conformity with Local Plan Core
<u>Areas in Ilkley</u>			Strategy Policy EN3 that seeks to "proactively preserve, protect and
Proposals for new development and			enhance the character,
alterations to existing buildings in or			appearance, archaeological and
adjacent to, and impacting on the			historic value and significance of
setting of the three Conservation			the District's <u>designated</u> and
Areas of Ben Rhydding, Ilkley and			undesignated heritage assets and
Middleton will be required to protect			their settings."
key views and demonstrate careful			
consideration of any potential impacts on the setting of the relevant			
conservation area, and other nearby			

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heritage assets above or underground, and to put in place measures to avoid or minimise impact or mitigate damage. Proposals will be required to describe the significance of any heritage assets affected, including any contribution made by their setting. Development proposals should protect, conserve, and where possible, enhance heritage assets and their settings in a manner appropriate to their significance. Overall, development should reflect the scale, mass, height and form of existing locally characteristic buildings, and design details and materials should be chosen to be harmonious with neighbouring properties.			
Policy INDP7 New Development in Ben Rhydding Conservation Area New development in Ben Rhydding Conservation Area should be designed sensitively to ensure the special characteristics of the area are preserved and enhanced.	Policy EN3: Historic Environment.	None relevant.	Policy INDP7 is in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy EN3 that seeks to "proactively preserve, protect and enhance the character, appearance, archaeological and historic value and significance of the District's <u>designated</u> and

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Traditional materials are encouraged			undesignated heritage assets and
such as stone, render, timber and			their settings."
brick for elevations, stone or blue			
slate and red clay tiles for roofing			Policy INDP7 provides specific
materials, timber for windows, doors			development management policy
and shop fronts, and cast iron for			for the Ben Rhydding
railings and gates. Stone walls or			Conservation Area. This is based
hedgerows should be used for			on the Conservation Area
boundary treatments.			Appraisals and Management
			plans for the area.
Existing original shopfronts should be			
retained and repaired and			
replacement shopfronts should			
follow the guidelines for the town			
centre and shopfront policy in the			
INDP and other guidance such as the			
CBMDC 'Shopfront Design Guide'			
Supplementary Planning Document.			
Development should connect with			
existing pathways and alleyways			
to encourage walking and cycling and			
support permeable, accessible			
movement within the area.			
Long distance views out of the			
conservation area to the fields to the			
north and Ilkley Moor to the south			
should be protected.			
In residential areas where houses are			
set within larger gardens any			
set within larger gardens any			

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backland or infill development should be sited and designed to protect existing mature garden trees, and should not lead to a significant increase in density which would be unacceptable or inappropriate in relation to the local context. Contemporary and sustainable designs will be acceptable where they are of exceptional design and/or sustainable construction and where it can be clearly demonstrated that they are appropriate to their context.			
Policy INDP8 New Development in Ilkley Conservation AreaNew development in Ilkley Conservation Area should be designed sensitively to ensure the area's special characteristics are preserved and enhanced.The Roman Core and Shopping CentreAny development within these sectors should be of high quality, retaining or restoring traditional	Policy EN3: Historic Environment.	None relevant.	Policy INDP8 is in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy EN3 that seeks to "proactively preserve, protect and enhance the character, appearance, archaeological and historic value and significance of the District's <u>designated</u> and undesignated heritage assets and their settings." Policy INDP8 provides specific development management policy for the Ilkley Conservation Area. This is based on the Conservation

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features and open spaces, to enhance the setting of heritage assets including the Roman Fort and historic centre.			Area Appraisals and Management plans for the area.
For commercial properties, original shopfront details should be reinstated, or restored where surviving. New shop fronts should be designed in accordance with the principles set out in the Conservation Area Appraisal, using traditional details, materials and appropriate colours and in accordance with policy in this plan.			
The Railway Town			
Existing original shopfronts to the Leeds Road frontages should be retained and repaired and replacement shopfronts should follow the guidelines for the town centre and shopfront policy in the INDP and other guidance. New development should demonstrate rhythm and consistency			
with a regular pattern of doors and windows. The removal of chimney stacks on existing terraced properties			

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will be resisted. Dormer windows should follow a consistent design approach.			
Spa Town			
Identified key buildings, especially the landmark former Spa buildings and their grounds, mature trees both in grounds and in the public realm, and the views out across the town and over to the moors should be retained and enhanced.			
The interlinking open spaces which provide a mature landscaped setting for the main buildings and a green thread running through the fabric of the Conservation Area are of paramount importance and should be protected.			
Victorian and Edwardian Suburbs and Residential Expansion			
Sensitive restoration of older properties of character is encouraged.			

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Extensions, dormer windows and other alterations to dwellings should be designed to retain the essential character of the Victorian and Edwardian style of architecture. Designs for new buildings and extensions should take their architectural cues from the local context and where possible use appropriate local materials such as clay red roof tiles, gritstone and timbering.			
There will be a presumption against infilling of visually important gaps in the Conservation Area which provide a green break between terraced areas, and the mature gardens should be protected from inappropriate backland development. Loss of trees and boundary walls will be resisted.			
N.B. the character areas referred to in the policy are those identified in the Conservation Area Appraisal.			
Policy INDP9 New Development in Middleton Conservation Area	Policy EN3: Historic Environment.	None relevant.	Policy INDP9 is in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy EN3 that seeks to

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New development in Middleton			"proactively preserve, protect and
Conservation Area should be			enhance the character,
designed sensitively to ensure the			appearance, archaeological and
area's special characteristics are			historic value and significance of
preserved and enhanced. Special			the District's <u>designated</u> and
attention should be paid to the			undesignated heritage assets and
preservation of the low			their settings."
density of built form, the inter-			
related relationship of buildings to			Policy INDP8 provides specific
large plot sizes, and the			development management policy
preponderance of mature			for the Middleton Conservation
landscaping and tree cover.			Area. This is based on the
			Conservation Area Appraisals and
The significant views and vistas into,			Management plans for the area.
out of and through the conservation			
area should be respected.			
New development that will impact			
on the setting of the Conservation			
Area, for example being either			
immediately within the vicinity of, or			
clearly visible from within its			
confines, should respond to the			
principles of good design set			
out for new build as set out in			
Policies INDP5 and INDP6 of this			
plan. New development within the			
Conservation Area should reflect the			
predominant building form of the			
character of the area in which it is			
situated. This relates to height, scale			

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and siting. It should not over dominate the existing fabric. Any new development should make use of high quality materials that complement the traditional materials used in the area. Development should sit harmoniously within the existing built fabric and should respect the uniformity of colour and texture of the built form of the Conservation Area.			
Existing boundary treatments should be retained or enhanced. New boundary treatments should be in keeping with those in the immediate and wider Conservation Area. Particular attention should be paid to retaining vegetation and fencing to preserve the informal nature of domestic boundaries.			
The street layout of the Conservation Area is important to its character and historic interest. Therefore, the width, direction and orientation of roads and paths through the area should be conserved.			

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There should be a presumption against building in open areas that have been identified as contributing to the character of the conservation area and development should respect important areas of green space and woodland.			
Policy INDP10 Local Green Spaces Development of the following designated Local Green Spaces will only be permitted when consistent with national planning policy for Green Belts. [For a list of the protected Local Green Spaces, see page 45 of the INDP.]	Policy EN1: Protection and improvements in provision of Open Space and Recreation Facilities.	OS1 Urban Greenspace.	In identifying local green spaces Policy INDP10 provides local policy detail and is in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy EN1, criterion D that states: <i>"D. The Council will work with</i> <i>local communities to identify</i> <i>areas of Local Green</i> <i>Space in the local plan and</i> <i>neighbourhood plans. Local</i> <i>greenspace which is valued for</i> <i>amenity, recreation and wildlife</i> <i>or contributes towards character,</i> <i>distinctiveness and visual quality</i> <i>will be protected from</i> <i>development, other</i> <i>than in very special circumstances</i> <i>which are supported by the local</i> <i>community.</i>

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			Policy INDP10 is in general conformity with saved RUDP Policy OS1 that identifies three urban green spaces in Ilkley: the Central River Front (K/OS1.1); the Grove and Queens Road (K/OS1.2); and Panorama Woods (K/OS1.3).
Policy INDP11 Green Corridors The Green Corridors as shown on the Policies Map will be protected as important local landscape features which perform multi-functional roles as part of Ilkley's Green Infrastructure network. The Bradford Wildlife Habitat Network will be augmented by a Local Wildlife Habitat Network which will be created, consulted on and added to the Ilkley Neighbourhood Development Plan. Proposals for development on or adjacent to green corridors must	Strategic Core Policy 6 (SC6): Green Infrastructure. Sub Area Policy WD1: Wharfedale.	None relevant.	<ul> <li>Policy INDP11 is in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy SC6. Policy INDP11 supports the Local Plan Core Strategy policy by identifying key Green Corridors in the neighbourhood area. In particular, the Green and Blue Infrastructure identified in Policy INDP11 meets a number of the criteria identified in Policy SC6C, including:</li> <li>1. Retention, creation and enhancement of important habitats and ecological networks</li> </ul>
maintain and if possible enhance the function of the corridor. Planning applications must clearly demonstrate how they have			<ol> <li>Resilience to climate change and sustainable design</li> <li>Important attributes of natural greenspace, connectivity to other</li> </ol>

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incorporated appropriate measures to secure the connectivity of the corridor and the freedom of movement for species on and through the site. Proposals will be encouraged which enhance and extend the existing network of Green Corridors to open spaces within the urban area. Where new links are created that lead to the wider rural area such links should be designed so as not to introduce features incompatible with the local countryside and should not lead to an increase in impact from recreation on the South Pennine Moors. New development is encouraged to incorporate new Green Corridors within landscaping and open space schemes and to establish links to the identified network of Green Corridors where possible.	greenspaces and a local need for open space         Policy INDP11 also supports, by identifying key Green Corridors, Sub Area Policy WD1 which seeks in sub-section D to:         "4. Protect and enhance the role of the River Wharfe, as a key green infrastructure corridor and the ecosystem services it provides in relation to biodiversity, water quality, flood risk reduction, formal and informal recreation and connection to national assets beyond the District boundary.         5. Recognise the importance of field patterns, tree cover and the wider context of moorland, river and woodland in providing habitats for a diverse range of species and contributing towards Wharfedale's distinctive character and its role as a gateway to the wider countryside."

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Policy INDP12 Protecting Ilkley's	Policy EN4: Landscape.	None relevant.	Policy INDP12 is in general
Landscape Character			conformity with Local Plan Core
			Strategy Policy EN4. Policy EN4
Development within Ilkley			identifies Wharfedale as an area
neighbourhood area should			where "Plans, policies and
demonstrate careful			proposals should
consideration of any potential			make a positive contribution
impacts on the sensitive landscape			towards the conservation,
character of the area. Where			management and
necessary development should			enhancement of the diversity of
provide suitable measures for			landscapes".
mitigation through siting, design and			
landscaping.			This should use the approach set
In particular, designs should consider			out in the Landscape Character Assessment
long range views of the proposed			SPD.
development from publicly accessible			510.
sites and footpaths within the			Policy INDP12 has taken the
moorland shelf and Wharfedale, and			Landscape Character Assessment
views from the development towards			SPD and, where relevant and
the open countryside and key			applicable, turned this guidance
landmark features, such as the River			into a criteria based development
Wharfe, Cow and Calf Rocks, and			management policy. In doing this
cairn viewpoint on the ridge above			development management
White Wells.			criteria that will help to
			implement strategic policy will be
Landscape Area 4 - Rombalds Ridge			applied.
The Gritstone moorland landscape			
area (Rombalds Moor) has a strong			

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character, high historic continuity,			
open character and prominent			
position within the landscape, this is			
a landscape very sensitive to			
development. Any extension to the			
existing few farmsteads should be small in scale			
and sensitively designed to minimise			
any negative visual impacts on this			
landscape.			
Landscape Area 8 - Wharfedale			
In areas of enclosed pastures,			
settlement edges should be clearly			
defined and utilise a framework of			
tree planting using locally			
appropriate species. The visual			
impact of any proposals should be			
considered in detail and			
additional on-site and off-site			
planting is encouraged to absorb the			
development into the landscape. The			
associated infrastructure of access			
roads, lighting and signage, will also			
need to be carefully considered.			
In areas of wooded incline enclosed			
pastures settlement edges should			

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be clearly defined and it may be appropriate to utilise a framework of tree planting around settlement edges, but this would be dependent on assessing the ecological value of grassland on areas proposed for planting and adjoining areas. The visual impact of any proposals should be considered in detail and depending on the outcomes of an ecological assessment, it may be appropriate to encourage additional on-site and offsite planting to absorb the development into the landscape. N.B. The Landscape character areas referred to are those in the CBMDC Landscape Character Supplementary Planning Guidance (LCSPG) 2008			
Policy INDP13 Protecting and Enhancing BiodiversityProposals for new development that impact on habitats and wildlife referred to in Bradford Core Strategy Strategic Core Policy SC8 and Policy EN2, including the Local Wildlife Sites identified on the Policies Map, should demonstrate how biodiversity	SC8 Protecting the South Pennine Moors and their Zone of Influence EN2 Biodiversity and Geodiversity	No relevant policy.	Policy INDP13 is in general conformity with policies SC8 and EN2 of the Local Plan Core Strategy. Policy INDP13 seeks to protect the same range of sites and provides local development management criteria against which specific development proposals can be identified.

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will be protected and enhanced by			
securing a net gain in biodiversity.			
Reference should also be made to			
'Homes and Neighbourhoods: a			
Guide to Designing in Bradford'. This			
sets out ways that wildlife and green			
features can be integrated into			
developments at a variety			
of levels, (neighbourhoods, streets			
and individual housing).			
New developments should identify			
and protect existing habitats on			
individual sites, and seek			
opportunities to reverse habitat			
fragmentation and provide new			
opportunities to extend biodiversity.			
Landscaping schemes and building			
designs are encouraged to			
incorporate the following, where			
possible:			
In wooded incline areas:			
a) Development should not fragment			
the woodland canopy. Regeneration			
and planting of native species of local			
provenance is encouraged, to help			

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ensure the long-term continuity of			
the wooded character.			
b) Walls and hedges should be			
conserved, strengthened and restored.			
c) Additional native woodland			
planting of local provenance around			
the edges of new developments is			
encouraged.			
On the River Wharfe floodplain:			
New built development will be			
restricted due to flood risk. However,			
areas of open space would be an			
acceptable use extending down to			
the River, and opportunities to			
enhance areas for wildlife should be			
taken wherever possible. For example:			
d) Hedgerow gaps should be filled			
with a range of native species			
of local provenance and hedgerow			
trees replanted.			
e) Woodland blocks have an even-			
age mature nature and re-planting/			
underplanting is encouraged to			
provide a more diverse age structure.			
f) The river and bankside			
environments are important wildlife			

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habitats. Landscaping schemes			
should conserve and enhance			
wetland habitats, such as wet			
meadows and marshy grasslands.			
The planting of willow,			
along with a coppice regime is			
particularly encouraged to support			
otters returning to this stretch of the			
Wharfe.			
All developments are expected to			
result in measurable biodiversity			
net gain. Overall, designs for new			
buildings should secure ecological			
enhancements as part of landscaping			
and building design. Proposals could			
include enhancements such as			
sustainable drainage systems, green			
roofs, re-naturalising watercourses,			
woodland planting, roosting			
opportunities for bats, hedgehog			
corridors, the installation of bird nest			
boxes and the use of native species			
in the landscape planting.			
Moorland			
The INDP supports the development			
of increased carbon capture on Ilkley			

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Moor by restoring degraded blanket			
bog so that peat-forming sphagnum			
mosses can absorb and sequester			
carbon. This will enhance our			
resilience to climate change, improve			
water retention on the moor and			
seek to reduce the risk of flooding			
and fire in extreme weather			
conditions. Development			
proposals in areas of blanket bog			
including access tracks and other			
operational development requiring			
planning permission shall set out in			
detail how the proposed			
development would impact its			
function, including its hydrology,			
ecology and function as a carbon			
sink. Developments which			
degrade the function of existing			
blanket bog in these terms will be			
refused.			
Policy INDP14 Traffic and Transport	TR1 Travel Reduction and Modal	No relevant policy.	Policy INDp14 in seeking to
	Shift		support multi-modal transport
To support the development of			and reduce vehicle emissions is in
sustainable multi-modal transport			general conformity with Local
and reduce vehicle emissions			Plan Core Strategy policy TR1 that
development will be expected to			seeks to reduce travel and seeks
show how measures promote active			a shift from private vehicle use to
and healthy lifestyles and help make			other modes.

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walking, cycling and the use of public transport a first choice for all and reduce the need to travel by private car. In particular, proposals should seek to incorporate sustainable multi-modal transport solutions and infrastructure which focus on emissions reduction (e.g. car parking spaces and charging facilities in accessible, convenient and safe places for plug-in and other ultra-low emission vehicles).			The INDP policy also seeks to promote vehicle sharing and charging points for vehicles.
The INDP promotes the use of mobility sharing schemes such as car clubs, car sharing and electric bike clubs.			
All new houses where dedicated parking per house is provided will be required to have an appropriately located charging point. Where general parking areas are included in housing developments, these are required to provide sufficient accessible charging points. Those proposing new employment, leisure or retail developments are encouraged to provide			

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electric charging points for staff			
and/or users.			
Policy INDP15 Walking and Cycling All new development should be within reasonable walking and cycling distance of community facilities and services. All new development should include facilities for walking and cycling that are of good design and accessible to all. The INDP will support proposals for the Wharfedale Greenway and dedicated and segregated cycle paths including road markings where needed. It will also support the wider introduction of 20 mph zones and traffic calming measures to facilitate safer walking and cycling around the town. Sustainable travel plans (for schools, all larger businesses, leisure	TR3 Public Transport, Cycling and Walking	No relevant policy.	Policy INDP15 is in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy TR£. Both policies seek to promote walking and cycling. Policy INDP15 includes specific support or a local project the Wharfedale Greenway and the introduction of further 20 mph zones. The final part of Policy INDP15 includes a set of development management criteria that will be used to assess relevant planning applications. These criteria are in general conformity with criteria f and g of Local Plan Core Strategy policy TR3 that:
and residential developments) will			
also be supported.			<i>"F. Require that the layout of new development encourages walking</i>
Proposals will be assessed against the following:			and cycling by taking the opportunities to connect to the existing street and path network,

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<ul> <li>a) Ease and directness of new connections to the existing footpath, bridleway and cycle path network;</li> <li>b) Permeability and legibility of the footpath and cycle path network within the development site;</li> <li>c) Use of sustainable materials and design that ensures access for all users;</li> <li>d) Where necessary, signage that is of good design, appropriate to the local context and avoids clutter;</li> <li>e) Designed in such a way to be safe, appropriately lit and minimise opportunities for crime; and f) Include native tree and shrub planting that is easily maintained and suitable to the route and its local context.</li> </ul>			local facilities and public transport in obvious and direct ways. G. Require that new development creates attractive places that encourage walking and cycling by providing a permeable network of routes that are well overlooked, and which balance the needs of all users by treating highways as streets rather than as roads."
When new routes have to be provided, these will be of good design based on current best practice and provide direct access to local facilities and employment opportunities. The loss of existing footpaths and cycle paths will be resisted.			

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Policy INDP16	Policy EC1: Creating a successful and	None relevant.	Policy INDP16 identifies potential
Leisure and Tourism	competitive Bradford		local tourism development
	District economy within the Leeds		opportunities that could help to
Development of existing and new	City Region		support the aim of Local Plan
tourism and leisure facilities will be			Core Strategy Policy EC1, criterion
supported where such development	Policy EC4: Sustainable Economic		F, of "F. A knowledge-driven
will not have a significant adverse	Growth.		economy, by supporting the
impact on existing facilities;			potential of the University of
designated wildlife sites, European			Bradford, Bradford College,
designated sites (Ilkley Moor) and, in			further and higher education
addition, in the Green Belt, where it			institutions, hospitals and
meets national Green Belt planning			research institutions and other
policy.			knowledge-intensive industries
			including the tourism and cultural
All new facilities should have good			sector and links with the provision
access by walking, cycling and			of incubator units and innovation units within
integrated public transport and			
adequate cycle parking and storage.			Bradford City Centre and the Airedale Corridor."
Support will be given to proposals for			Alleddie Corridor.
the Wharfedale Greenway and			And criterion J that promotes the
dedicated and segregated cycleways.			"potential of non business class
dedicated and segregated cycleways.			sectors, including health, sport,
Proposals for a creative/heritage hub			retail, leisure, tourism and
focused on the Manor House, The			education as key economic and
Castle Collective, Riverside Gardens,			employment generators
and with improved connectivity to			within the Bradford District."
other cultural assets, including the			
Playhouse and Cinema will be			Policy INDP16 is also in general
supported.			conformity with Local Plan Core

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			Strategy Policy EC4: Sustainable Economic Growth that seeks to encourage <i>"economic enterprises</i> which develop or enhance the viability of tourism." (criterion F.)
Policy INDP17 Ilkley Town Centre	Policy EC5: City, Town, District and Local Centres.	CT1 - Development within City and Town Centres and	Policy INDP17 is in general conformity with Policy EC5 of the
To ensure that the vitality and viability of Ilkley Town Centre is		Defined Expansion Areas	Local Plan Core Strategy that identifies Ilkley as a Town Centre.
maintained and enhanced, development of retail, office, leisure, and cultural facilities will be		CT5 - Primary Shopping Areas CR1A - Retail Development	Such centres should be should be the <i>"focus for office, residential,</i>
supported when consistent with Policy EC5: City, Town, District and		Within Centres	convenience and comparison retail, including the traditional
Local Centres of the Core Strategy. In order to thrive as a sustainable			(and specialist) markets, leisure, entertainment, arts, culture and tourism, intensive sports and
town where residents can shop locally, and tourists desire to visit, it			recreation uses that are appropriate to the centres,
is important the Primary Shopping Area provides a variety of retail			provided proposals do not have a significant adverse impact upon
offers (Class E (a) and Class F2 (a)). Proposals to re-use upper floors			the vitality and viability of Bradford City Centre and other nearby Town
within the town centre for retail, office, leisure, cultural facilities,			Centres."
business and residential uses will be supported.			Policy INDP17 is in general conformity with RUDP Policy C1 that states "Land and buildings

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Temporary uses particularly those that bring back into use vacant units will be supported.			within the city and town centres and the defined expansion areas should be developed in accordance with the area policy statements for each centre as set out in the proposal reports."
			Policy INDP 17 is in general conformity with RUDP Policy CT5 – both policies seeking to protect retail uses in the primary shopping area.
			Policy INDP17 is in general conformity with RUDP Policy CR1a that seeks to manage the location of retail uses.
Policy INDP18 Public Realm Proposals that include new, or replacement, public realm features such as open spaces, paving, seating, lighting, street furniture, planting areas and signage should be of good quality and distinctive design. Public realm should make a positive contribution to the local and wider environment of the town by using	DS1: Achieving Good Design DS3: Urban Character DS4: Streets and Movement DS5: Safe and Inclusive Places	CT6 - Amenity within City and Town Centres	Policy INDP18 provides a more detailed development management policy for Ilkley that is in general conformity with the Core Strategy's policies covering good design, urban character, streets and movement and safe and inclusive places. Policy INDP18 is also in general conformity with RUDP Policy CT6

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suitable designs, materials, colours, vernacular features, seeking to use the prevailing local style for such features and avoiding clutter.			that seeks to protect amenity in town centres.
Where heritage features (telephone boxes, grilles, grates, nameplates, stone setts, paving stones and stone kerb edgings etc.) are already to be found within an area proposed for new, or replacement, public realm every effort should be made to retain such features in situ. Where this is not possible such features should be conserved, and, wherever possible re-used elsewhere within the town.			
Policy INDP19 Shopfronts To maintain the quality and distinctiveness of the local built environment, new shopfronts should meet the following:	No relevant policy.	No relevant policy.	There are no issues of general conformity.
a) Shopfronts should be of traditional construction, retaining existing traditional and period features and style, where possible. Where			

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such features are to be removed they			
should be replaced with suitable			
contemporary alternatives;			
b) The incorporation of blinds and			
canopies, complementary to			
the building, and surrounding			
properties, is encouraged;			
c) Signage should preferably be			
painted timber and where projecting			
signs are used these should be			
positioned in line with the fascia			
board and top hung. Internally			
illuminated signs will not be			
supported. External illumination of			
signs should be discreet and not			
mask architectural details;			
d) Shopfront fascia signs should be			
appropriate when considered in			
relation to the other elements and			
proportions of the shop front and			
should not have a negative impact on			
the frontage of upper floors;			
e) Within Conservation Areas careful			
selection of colour is important.			
Applicants will be encouraged to use			
restrained shades of maroon,			
dark green, black, blue, green and			
grey as lighter colours appear more			
intrusive. Garish or fluorescent			
colours should be avoided;			

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<ul> <li>f) Security grilles should be internal and allow views of internal space and lighting in order to avoid dead frontages.</li> </ul>			
Policy INDP20 Economy and EmploymentThe following existing employment areas will also be protected for employment uses (Use Class E(g)):INDP20/1 – Cemetery Offices INDP20/2 - Golden Butts Road INDP20/3 - Little Lane/Lower Wellington Road INDP20/4 - East Parade INDP20/5 - Valley Drive INDP20/6 - Brewery Road INDP20/7 - Nile Road INDP20/7 - Nile Road INDP20/8 - Valley Drive 	Strategic Core Policy 4 (SC4): Hierarchy of Settlements. Policy EC4: Sustainable Economic Growth. Sub Area Policy WD1: Wharfedale.	No relevant policy.	<ul> <li>Policy INDP20 is in general conformity with Policy SC4 of the Local Plan Core Strategy that identifies Ilkley as one of three Principal Towns that will be <i>"will be the main local focus for</i> <i>housing, employment, shopping,</i> <i>leisure, education, health and</i> <i>cultural activities and facilities."</i></li> <li>Policy INDP20 is also in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy EC4 that through criterion C and D sets out policy to manage development in key employment areas by:</li> <li>C. Refusing Planning Permission for the alternative development, <i>including</i> <i>piecemeal development, of land</i> <i>and buildings currently or last in</i> <i>use for</i></li> </ul>

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			<ul> <li>business or industrial purposes</li> <li>within both urban and rural areas</li> <li>unless, it can</li> <li>be demonstrated to the Council</li> <li>that a site is no longer suitable for</li> <li>such use in</li> <li>terms of: <ol> <li>Location</li> <li>Accessibility</li> <li>Adjacent land uses</li> <li>Environmental impacts</li> <li>Market significance – where it</li> <li>can be shown that the site has</li> <li>been</li> <li>continuously marketed for</li> <li>employment uses at local land</li> <li>values for a</li> <li>period for at least 2 years.</li> <li>Identifying Strategic</li> <li>Employment Zones within the</li> <li>Allocations DPD and Area</li> <li>Action Plan DPD's where</li> <li>development proposals for non</li> <li>employment uses will</li> <li>not be permitted unless it can be</li> <li>demonstrated that the proposal</li> <li>relates to a</li> <li>use which supports the function</li> <li>of the employment zone as a</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

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	industrial area."         Policy INDP20 identifies the key local employment sites and areas that should be protected for future employment use in line with Local Plan Core Strategy policy.         Policy INDP20 in taking this approach also supports and is in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy Sub Area Policy WD1 that sets policy for Wharfedale:         "C. Economic Development 1. Ilkley will have an important role as the Principal Town in Wharfedale with cultural, retail, tourism and leisure functions. 2. Support the role of Ilkley Town Centre as a location for a mix of retail, leisure and office development, on an appropriate scale, benefiting from excellent rail and road connectivity. 4. The creation of high quality

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Policy INDP21Meeting the Needs of AllTo ensure that development proposals meet the needs of all groups and sections of the community they should include, 	DS5 Safe and Inclusive Places	No relevant policy.	Policy INDP21 is in general conformity with Local Plan Core Strategy Policy DS5. DS5 seeks to ensure plans make a positive contribution to people's lives through high quality, inclusive design. Policy INDp21 provides 6 additional development management criteria to ensure new development in Ilkley meets the needs of all.
features that allow buildings and spaces to adapt and change over time, so they can meet the needs of			

a changing population and changing technologies; and f) Where appropriate, inclusion of spaces and features that support healthy and active lifestyles. For example the Wheatley Lane Recreation Ground is an essential green space that should not be developed, but preserved for the local community for a wide range of uses. This includes being the most suitable venue for the annual Ben Rhydding Community Fete (established 2006) which aims to foster a sense of community and enables people of all ages, social and demographic groups to meet. The Wheatley Lane Recreation Ground is also home to the Ben Rhydding Community Orchard (established 2019) and is set up and used regularly for football matches during the season.	Ilkley NDP Policies	Local Plan Core Strategy (LPCS)	Replacement Unitary Development plan (RUDP)	General Conformity
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## **Basic condition f. Be compatible with EU obligations**

- 3.19 The Submission INDP is fully compatible with EU obligations.
- 3.20 The making of the neighbourhood development plan is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site (as defined in the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010(2)) or a European offshore marine site (as defined in the Offshore Marine Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 2007(3)) (either alone or in combination with other plans or projects).

## Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)

- 3.21 To meet the 'basic conditions' which are specified by law a neighbourhood development plan must be compatible with EU obligations. Furthermore, as at 9th February 2015 Regulation 15 of the 2012 Neighbourhood Planning Regulations was amended to require that when a plan is submitted to the Local Planning Authority it should include either an environmental report prepared in accordance with the applicable regulations or where it has been determined as unlikely to have significant environmental effects, a statement of reasons for the determination.
- 3.22 Strategic Environmental Assessment Habitat Regulations Screening has been undertaken throughout the INDP's preparation. Following initial consultation with the statutory bodies and opinion received from Natural England a full Appropriate Assessment was considered necessary, because at this time the INDP sought to allocate sites for housing and employment. The Regulation 16 Submission Draft, as with its predecessor the Regulation 14 Draft, does not contain such allocations and it is no longer considered necessary for a full SEA or Appropriate Assessment. This screening opinion will be consulted on again as part of the Submission consultation.
- 3.23 The Screening Report is submitted alongside the INDP.

## **Requirement for Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA)**

- 3.24 Article 6 (3) of the EU Habitats Directive (Council Directive 92/43/EEC) and Regulation 61 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (as amended) requires that an appropriate assessment of plans and programmes is carried out with regard to the conservation objectives of European Sites (Natura 2000 sites) and that other plans and projects identify any significant effect that is likely for any European Site. In the context of neighbourhood planning, a Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA) is required where a neighbourhood plan is deemed likely to result in significant negative effects occurring on protected European Sites (Natura 2000 sites) as a result of the plan's implementation.
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## **European Convention on Human Rights**

- 3.26 The Submission INDP is fully compatible with the European Convention on Human Rights. It has been prepared with full regard to national statutory regulation and policy guidance, which are both compatible with the Convention. The INDP has been produced in full consultation with the local community. The INDP does not contain policies or proposals that would infringe the human rights of residents or other stakeholders over and above the existing strategic policies at national and district-levels, as demonstrated below.
- 3.27 The Human Rights Act 1998 incorporated into UK law the European Convention on Human Rights ("The Convention"). The Convention includes provision in the form of Articles, the aim of which is to protect the rights of the individual.
- 3.28 Section 6 of the Act prohibits public bodies from acting in a manner, which is incompatible with the Convention. Various rights outlined in the Convention and its First Protocol are to be considered in the process of making and considering planning decisions, namely:
- 3.29 Article 1 of the First Protocol protects the right of everyone to the peaceful enjoyment of possessions. No one can be deprived of possessions except in the public interest and subject to the conditions provided by law and by the general principles of international law. The Submission INDP is fully compatible with the rights outlined in this Article. Although the Submission Plan includes policies that would restrict development rights to some extent, this does not have a greater impact than the general restrictions on development rights provided for in national law, namely the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and the Localism Act 2011. The restriction of development rights inherent in the UK's statutory planning system is demonstrably in the public interest by ensuring that land is used in the most sustainable way, avoiding or mitigating adverse impacts on the environment, community and economy.
- 3.30 Article 6 protects the right to a fair and public hearing before an independent tribunal in determination of an individual's rights and obligations. The process for neighbourhood plan production is fully compatible with this Article, allowing for extensive consultation on its proposals at various stages, and an independent examination process to consider representations received.
- 3.31 Article 14 provides that "The enjoyment of the rights and freedoms set forth in ... [the] ... European Convention on Human Rights shall be secured without discrimination on any ground such as sex, race, colour, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, association with a national minority, property, birth or other status." The Town Council has developed the policies and proposals within the INDP in full consultation with the community and wider stakeholders to produce as inclusive a document as possible. In general, the policies and proposals will not have a discriminatory impact on any particular group of individuals.

**Basic condition g.** Prescribed conditions are met in relation to the Order (or plan) and prescribed matters have been complied with in connection with the proposal for the order (or neighbourhood plan).

3.32 The prescribed conditions have therefore been met in relation to the Submission INDP and prescribed matters have been complied with in connection with the proposal for the Plan.

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