

BURN PARISH COUNCIL

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Attn: C Peacock

Re: Proposed Local Plan

Please see below the observations from Burn Parish Council, supported by concerned residents, re Selby District Council's proposed Local Plan.

Burn Parish Council is aware that the Burn Airfield site is one of three currently under consideration for the possible development of a new settlement completely separate from the existing village of Burn. The below observations relate solely to the possibility that Burn Airfield is selected as the preferred option.

Burn Parish Council has, in drawing up the below observations, taken into account residents' feelings, environmental effects as described in the Town and Country Planning (environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, SI 2017/571, Schs 1 and 2, and the Localism Act 2011.

1. Burn Parish Council assumes that Selby District Council, the relevant authority, will adhere to the Code of Conduct as outlined in the Localism Act 2011, section 27(2) and ensure that the decision taken will be consistent with the following principles:
 - a) selflessness
 - b) integrity
 - c) objectivity
 - d) accountability
 - e) openness
 - f) honesty
 - g) leadership
2. Sch 1 in the Environmental Impact Assessment includes runways and, in Sch 2 Infrastructure projects. The EIA also states that environmental information must be taken into account.
3. Burn Parish Council notes that any new settlement would be a completely separate settlement with a by-pass between the new settlement and the existing village. Council asks that the by-pass, along with the remaining infrastructure, is completed and operational before any building of dwellings, shops etc starts. Council is looking forward to a by-pass which will remove the current problem of HGVs travelling at speed through Burn.

4. Burn Parish Council welcomes the idea of the provision of retail outlets but asks that some form of access, such as a bridge, is provided across the by-pass for the current village residents to access the new development without having to cross what, presumably, would be a busy road. Council also asks that construction traffic be prohibited from travelling through Burn in order to access the development site.
5. Burn Parish council would like confirmation, if Burn Airfield is selected that the rights of way across the current airfield, which is of historic importance, are kept or re-routed.
6. Burn is, currently, classified as a secondary village and the parish council would like to see that classification maintained if Burn Airfield is chosen as the preferred site.
7. Burn Parish Council also has concerns about traffic noise from the by-pass and trusts that some form of bunding or tree planting will be put in place to alleviate this for the existing village.
8. Burn Parish Council seeks clarity on the statement that there is capacity within the village for some 500 new dwellings. SDC has already rejected land offered by local landowners and the council is confused as to where that number of new dwellings would go in the existing village.

Burn Parish Council hopes that its observations will be taken into account during the decision making process. It is not saying 'no' to the proposal but wants to protect the current village and hopes that, if Burn Airfield is selected, the development will be good for Burn.

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