Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan Examination

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Peak District National Park Authority Response

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10. The PDNPA appears to be suggesting in respect of at least Policy 1 (if not 2) that as landscape character flows over the park boundary that the policy should apply to the Park. Please confirm the intention and if it is the authority's view that the policy /policies should cover that section of the plan area in the PDNP it would be helpful for a Planning Officer from the PDNPA to participate in the work required under question 1 above.

Policy 1 should not apply to the neighbourhood area that is within the Peak District National Park. This is because aspects of neighbourhood policy 1 are not in general conformity with strategic policy, in particular Core Strategy L1. PDNPA comments regarding the flow of landscape across the park boundary are made in respect of the possible operation of neighbourhood policy 1 *outside but adjacent to* the boundary of the national park.

Policy 2 should not apply to the neighbourhood area that is within the Peak District National Park. This is because neighbourhood policy 'avoid any adverse impacts' is weaker than CS L3 'development will not be permitted where it is likely to cause harm to the significance of any cultural heritage asset.' Neighbourhood policy could undermine strategic policy therefore is not in general conformity.

11. It was not clear from the PDNPA comments what form of words the Authority considers should be used to clarify when a Neighbourhood Plan policy only refers to the Kirklees section of the Plan Area. Please indicate a preferred form of words if there is concern over the current wording in the submitted NDP.

It is preferable to refer to the national park itself rather than the planning authority. So for example: 'Policy 1 does not apply to that part of the neighbourhood area that is within the peak district National Park.'

12. Re Policy 7 the PDNPA position is not entirely clear as to whether it is proposing that policy 7 should be applied to the Park. Please clarify.

Policy 7 should not apply to the neighbourhood area that is within the Peak District National Park.