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Dear Sir

Selby District Council Consultation – Draft Core Strategy

Site Allocation Plans -- Osgodby

The identification of potential development sites in Osgodby providing 375 new dwellings when the existing housing stock is 340 is by any criteria completely excessive. It would more than double the size of the village. If this is the new strategic objective it is a complete reversal of previous Planning objectives and Considerations. All previous statements and policies including the Inspectors Report following the 2000 Public Enquiry, relating to Osgodby, ^{have} ~~has~~ stressed the semi rural character of the village and how this should be maintained.

The Village Design Statement adopted by Selby district Council as a supplementary Planning Document states in Para 2.0 "Osgodby is a rural community-growth and development has been gradual but constant, relatively small scale, unobtrusive and not out of character with the locality". Appendix A5 states that the District Council will take account of the effect on the character of the area or the amenity of adjoining neighbours and take account of the capacity of local services and infrastructure to serve the proposal.

The village has inadequate local services and infrastructure – no shop or school and a limited bus service not commencing until 10.15 am.

Comments on specific potential development sites:-

BARL 3 Tindalls Farm: - already identified as a development site in the existing local plan.

BARL 4 Corner Farm: - already partially developed with 6 dwellings.

BARL 5 Selby Garden Centre: - Planning Application is currently being considered by the Planning Officer.

BARL 10 Millfield Farm: - the development of this site proposed by North Yorkshire County Council in 1999 was rejected by the Planning Officer as inappropriate as it would lead onto the A63 Trunk Road and be an unacceptable extension of the village on the main road to the east of the village.

BARL 11 East of the Hollies: - this is the most contentious proposal. The sheer scale of such a development giving an estate of 146 houses is completely counter to the character of the village and would result in an irrevocable loss of the rural character, which is so evident in the east of the village. The pattern of development on to the whole of South Duffield Road is of linear development, a large estate development would be completely out of character. Loss of agricultural land in the south and north of the site would also result.

When the Chapel Field was proposed in 1999 it was rejected by the Planning officer in view of York University Archaeological Department's opinion that is likely to be a medieval burial ground.

Yours faithfully

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Chairman

✓ Copy to Rex Mings, Parish Councillor