

Village Growth Potential Study

BYRAM

Sustainability Ranking (1 – most sustainable - 5 least sustainable)

See Background Paper No. 5

Size	Local Services	Accessibility to Principal Town (or equivalent)	Access to Employment	Overall Classification
3	2	2	2	2
Groundwater Source Protection Zones	N/A		Agricultural Land Classification	Grade 3 with grade 2 to the east.
Waste Water Treatment Capacity	Drains to Sutton WWTW which is currently at capacity.			
Highway Network Constraints/Public Transport	No overriding highway constraints. Good access to A1 providing good links with Castleford/Pontefract.			
Biodiversity	N/A			
Character and Form	<p>The development of Byram is closely related to its strategic position within the vicinity of the Great North Road, historically the major north-south communications route.</p> <p>Byram has a highly compact village form which is very much suburban in character. New development in recent years has extended the village north of Byram Park Road.</p> <p>12 Listed buildings with 11 of those sited at Bryam Park and Byram Farm to the east of the main settlement. The listing for Byram Park Lodge is sited at the Great North Road/Byram Park Road junction.</p>			
Landscape Sensitivity	<p>Owing to the Existing woodland areas and open character of the arable landscape, the compact urban form of Byram and the unbroken distinct urban edge, development is likely to be visually prominent and intrusive within the landscape.</p> <p>There are large national grid power lines close to the village.</p>			

	Byram is inset within the West Yorkshire Green Belt.
Flood Risk	The village and its surroundings to the north and east are in a low risk area. Flood Zone 2 (Medium risk) encroaches on the south- west of the village leaving only a relatively narrow band of land with a low flood risk.
Residential Site Potential (SHLAA)	0.65 ha land identified to the east of the village (originally suggested as Safeguarded Land during preparation of SDLP)
Conclusion	Very good relative sustainability, and linked with Brotherton for some services e.g. school. However, there are no appropriate development sites. Growth to the east of the village would be relatively intrusive and would impact on Green Belt.
Village Growth Potential	Growth inappropriate at present time