

# Village Growth Potential Study

**ESCRICK**

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

**See Background Paper No. 5**

<b>Size</b>	<b>Local Services</b>	<b>Accessibility to Principal Town (or equivalent)</b>	<b>Access to Employment</b>	<b>Overall Classification</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Groundwater Source Protection Zones</b>	N/A		<b>Agricultural Land Classification</b>	Grade 3 within and surrounding village with areas of grade 2 to east, west and north.
<b>Waste Water Treatment Capacity</b>	Works required for capacity to be made available.			
<b>Highway Network Constraints/Public Transport</b>	Potentially high investment works required to existing highways to accommodate sites suggested in the SHLAA (see over). Good regular public transport links, due to village being on the York/Selby bus route.			
<b>Biodiversity</b>	SINC adjoining Development Limit to the south-east of village.			
<b>Character and Form</b>	<p>18 Listings primarily sited on land south of the village within Escrick Park Estate. Two (Church and Hotel) are sited on the west side of A19.</p> <p>There is an extensive Conservation Area covering the southern and western side of the village. The more recent residential development in the village (north-east) is excluded from the Conservation Area.</p> <p>The village is reasonably compact with the main development sited to the east side of the A19 which provides the main access in and out of the settlement.</p>			

<b>Landscape Sensitivity</b>	<p>Although some development exists to the western side of the A19, it consists of mainly of a Hotel, Church and restaurant and a small number of residential properties. Any development west of the A19 is likely to appear visually intrusive within the landscape and would detract from the current compact character of the village where the A19 provides the western edge to the village.</p> <p>The urban edge to the east follows the rear boundaries of existing properties. However, the immediate field patterns are well contained and any development would be sited against the backdrop of existing development and is not likely to be visually intrusive providing existing mature planting is retained.</p> <p>To the south of the village any loss of the extensive park and woodland and associated nature conservation interests within the area would be significantly detrimental to the amenity of the area and character and appearance of the surrounding countryside.</p> <p>The village is inset within the York Green Belt.</p>
<b>Flood Risk</b>	<p>High flood risk land (FZ3b) to the east and west of the settlement with a small area of FZ3a within the central area of the village.</p> <p>The remaining village and surrounding area are low flood risk FZ1.</p>
<b>Residential Site Potential (SHLAA)</b>	<p>One large site included in the SHLAA process to the west of the A19 providing a developable area of approximately 16.78 hectares.</p>
<b>Conclusion</b>	<p>Falls within the 'Less Sustainable' category for overall sustainability, but does contain good local services. However, there are no opportunities for new allocations without affecting sensitive nature conservation sites and the overall character of the village.</p>
<b>Village Growth Potential</b>	<b>Growth inappropriate at present time</b>