

# Village Growth Potential Study

**WHITLEY**

**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>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Groundwater Source Protection Zones</b>	Village bounds zone 3. See map.	<b>Agricultural Land Classification</b>	Grade 2 to north and west. Grade 3 to south half of village and land to the south east.	
<b>Waste Water Treatment Capacity</b>	Drains to Eggborough WWTW which has limited capacity (sufficient for EGG/3)			
<b>Highway Network Constraints/Public Transport</b>	Village is sited on the A19, south of the A19/M62 junction. Some complex highway works to facilitate sites identified in the SHLAA (see over). There are frequent bus services linking Whitley to Selby/Doncaster and Pontefract/Knottingley.			
<b>Biodiversity</b>	N/A			
<b>Character and Form</b>	Whitley is a linear settlement spread along the A19, south of the M62. The village comprises a mix of development with more recent larger residential development at the the southern end of the village. No Conservation Area and no Listed Buildings present.			
<b>Landscape Sensitivity</b>	Surrounding countryside is generally flat and featureless. There are remaining gaps along the linear frontage of the village providing outward views. Development would be open to long range views but would be set against the backdrop of existing development.			

	Inset within the West Yorkshire Green Belt.
<b>Flood Risk</b>	The village and surrounding area is all at low risk of flooding (FZ1).
<b>Residential Site Potential (SHLAA)</b>	Various opportunities for development along the village within existing gaps in the linear layout are included in the SHLAAA and provide a developable area of approximately 21.95 hectares.
<b>Conclusion</b>	Whitely is one of the less sustainable villages with very limited local services. Although it shares services with Eggborough the two settlements are separated by the M62 motorway, and owing to the linear nature of the village the southern part of the village is somewhat distant from Eggborough (over two miles). Further development would impact on the Green Belt.
<b>Village Growth Potential</b>	<b>Growth inappropriate at present time</b>