

For Independent Advice About Planning

Yorkshire Planning Aid provides a free, independent and professional planning advice service to individuals and groups from within the Yorkshire and Humber region who cannot afford professional fees. Yorkshire Planning Aid is part of a network of nine Planning Aid Services throughout the country, all of which are part of the Royal Town Planning Institute, a Registered Charity. Services operate through small staff teams and a network of professionally qualified volunteers.

Yorkshire Planning Aid operates a telephone advice line three days a week, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 9am and 4pm, Tel: 0870 850 9808. In addition the organisation also provides a Community Planning service which helps groups and individuals to understand the planning system and influence what happens in their neighbourhood, town or city. Key elements of the programme include:

- Training events and presentations, such as a 'Planning Crash Course'
- Advice and assistance on contributing to local development plans

The service is targeted at disadvantaged communities, and at groups which represent or work with people who need support and guidance in order to get involved with the planning system, for example young people, people with disabilities, or ethnic minority communities. Planning Aid aims to raise awareness about the planning system within such communities and thus enable groups and individuals to engage more effectively with local authorities and the development plan process.

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Further Information on the LDF

Details about the preparation of all the LDF documents and copies of the latest versions can be viewed and downloaded on the Council's web-site at:
www.wakefield.gov.uk/ldf

Copies are also available for inspection at main Council offices and libraries throughout the District. Printed copies can be obtained from:

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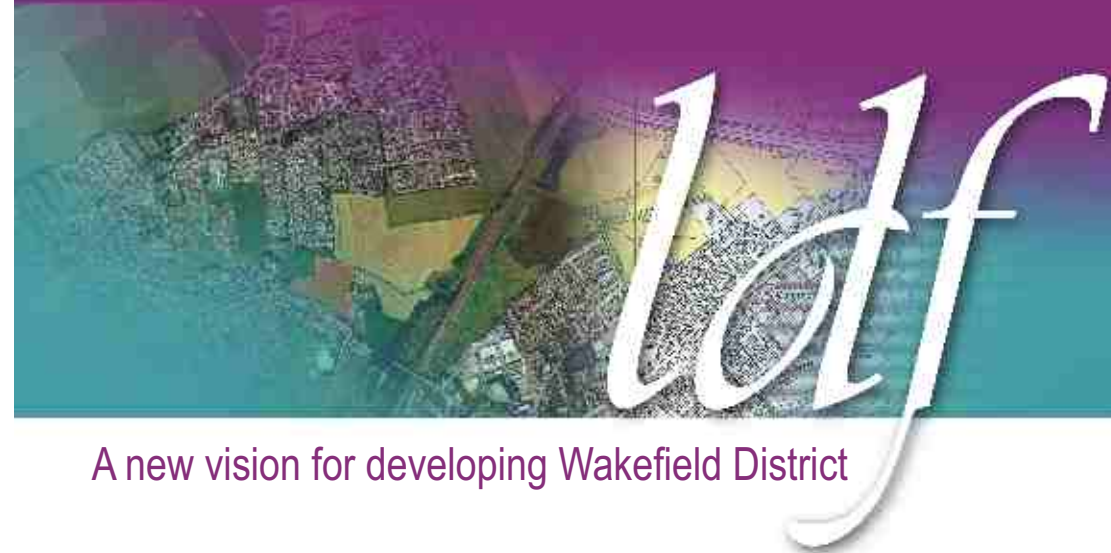
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Wakefield

Local Development Framework



A new vision for developing Wakefield District

A Guide to the Wakefield
Local Development Framework
March 2006


City of Wakefield Metropolitan District Council

The Local Development Framework

At present the development plan for Wakefield District is made up of the Wakefield Metropolitan District Unitary Development Plan First Alteration (UDP) and the Regional Spatial Strategy for Yorkshire and the Humber (RSS). The UDP allocates land in Wakefield District for different kinds of uses, such as housing and employment, protects some land from inappropriate development, such as Green Belt and Conservation Areas, and includes policies to influence the location and impact of development, including design and pollution control. The RSS sets out the strategic policies and proposals for the use of land in the Yorkshire and Humber Region and provides the broad framework for policies and proposals within the UDP.

Wakefield Council is preparing a new type of development plan, known as the Local Development Framework (LDF), which will guide the use of land and new development throughout the District until 2021 and will be used to determine planning applications. It is being prepared under new Government legislation and will replace the UDP which was adopted in 2003.

The LDF will link closely to Wakefield District Partnership's Community Strategy, *Fast Forward*, with the aim of making the District a more attractive and prosperous place to live.

LDF Documents



Unlike the UDP, the LDF will be made up of a number of documents which will be prepared separately, as shown on the diagram. The UDP will remain in force until the new documents are introduced, from 2007 onwards. Together with the RSS the main LDF documents will form the new development plan for the District.

Local Development Scheme

The Council has published a "Local Development Scheme" (LDS) which shows which LDF documents the Council intends to produce over the next three years. The LDS sets out the timetable for preparing each document, explains its purpose, says what parts of the UDP will be replaced, and helps everyone to be aware of the different stages at which they can be involved. The LDS will be reviewed every year and updated where appropriate.

The Council has or is currently preparing the following LDF documents:

- Statement of Community Involvement
- Core Strategy
- Development Control Policies
- Site Specific Proposals
- Central Wakefield Area Action Plan

Statement of Community Involvement

The Statement of Community Involvement is a document which sets out how people and organisations can be involved in the process of preparing LDF documents and in decisions about planning applications. It sets out how and at what stages the Council will engage and consult on the various types of document and planning applications.

The Council has completed the preparation of this document and adopted it on 8th February 2006, after public consultation and independent examination by a Planning Inspector.

Core Strategy

The Core Strategy is the LDF's key strategic planning document which:

- defines the spatial vision for Wakefield District to 2021;
- sets out a series of objectives designed to achieve the vision;
- includes a spatial development strategy to meet the objectives and accommodate the anticipated need for new development, including that needed to deliver the Community Strategy;
- includes strategic policies to guide and control the overall scale, type and location of new development and transport investment; and
- includes a statement of the number of additional dwellings to be provided.

All other LDF documents must conform to the Core Strategy.

This document like the others identified below is still being prepared. If you are interested in finding out more about the current versions of these documents and the consultation processes refer to "Further Information on the LDF" section on back page.

Development Control Policies

The Development Control Policies document contains policies for the Council to assess planning applications. It provides a detailed set of policies, designed to contribute to achieving the strategy and policy aims set out in the Core Strategy and to deal with a wide range of national and regional planning issues.

Site Specific Proposals and Proposals Maps

The Site Specific Proposals document gives details of land allocations within the District which are shown on the Proposals Maps.

Central Wakefield Area Action Plan

The Central Wakefield Area Action Plan sets out detailed policies for development and land allocations within Wakefield City Centre.

Other LDF documents will be prepared in future years, as resources permit.