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Our Ref Draft Whitby Business Park AAP

Date as postmark.
Dear Sir/Madam

Draft Whitby Business Park Area Action Plan - Consultation

Scarborough Borough Council and the North York Moors National Park Authority are producing a Joint Area Action Plan (AAP) for Whitby Business Park as part of their respective development plan work.

Responsibility for planning at the Business Park is split between the two authorities. Historically, land was allocated for employment development on the site in the 1983 Joint Whitby Local Plan, the Scarborough Local Plan (1999) and the North York Moors Local Plan (2003). However, recent applications and enquiries at the Business Park have raised issues across the site as a whole. It has been agreed by Scarborough Borough Council and the National Park Authority that a joint document will be produced which will look at the site in a comprehensive manner, addressing a number of issues including highways, environmental improvements and further development of the site.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you about a key stage of consultation that the authorities are undertaking as part of the preparation of the document. A draft Area Action Plan has been published setting out a potential strategy for the expansion and development of the Business Park. A Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and a Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) are also available. Comments on this draft Plan, SA and HRA are invited from any interested parties, and all representations will be taken into account in revising the Plan in due course.

The consultation period will run until Friday 14 June 2013. The draft Area Action Plan can be viewed and comments submitted on the Borough Council's dedicated consultation portal. The web address is shown below:

<http://scarborough.objective.co.uk/portal>

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You can also download a PDF version of the Draft AAP from the web sites of both authorities:

www.northyorkmoors.org.uk (follow links to Planning/Policies and Plans/Current Consultations)

www.scarborough.gov.uk (follow links to the Local Plan)

Copies of the Draft AAP can also be found at:

- Scarborough Town Hall, St Nicholas St, Scarborough YO11 2HG
- Whitby Town Council office, Pannett Park, Whitby YO21 1RE
- Whitby Library
- Whitby Tourist Information Centre
- North York Moors National Park Authority, The Old Vicarage, Bondgate, Helmsley YO62 5BP
- The Moors National Park Centre, Danby.

Paper-based comments should be sent to the Forward Planning team at the Town Hall, Scarborough, or handed in to any of the above Borough Council or National Park Authority offices.

A mobile unit will be at Whitby Seafoods Car Park which is located on Fairfield Way at the Whitby Business Park from 12.30 – 6.30 pm on Thursday 23rd May 2013, and officers will be available to discuss matters with interested parties.

If you have any queries in relation to the consultation please contact Sarah Housden in the Policy Team at the National Park Authority (01439 772700) or David Hand in the Forward Planning Team at Scarborough Borough Council (01723 232480). If you require a paper copy or CD version please contact David Hand.

Yours sincerely



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