

Hayton Parish Neighbourhood Plan - 2021

Blyth House Site Assessment - Appendix 18 (B)

An assessment to determine the suitability of a proposed development at Blyth House, Main Street, Hayton

This assessment is intended for use as part of a Neighbourhood Plan Site Allocation requirement.

# **Neighbourhood Planning Site Assessment**

#### **Site Details**

Detail	Assessment
Site Reference / Name	Blyth House, Main Street, Hayton
[Insert site plan showing boundary of site]	Byth House
Site Address / Location	Blyth House, Main Street, Hayton, DN22 9LL
Gross Site Area (Hectares)	1.4 Acres
SHLAA/SHELAA Reference (if applicable)	
Existing land use	Field/Paddock
Land use being considered, if known (e.g. housing, community use, commercial, mixed use)	Residential Housing
Landowner estimate of development capacity (if known)	Developer has plans for 8 or 6 houses.
Site identification method / source (e.g. SHELAA, Call for Sites consultation, identified by neighbourhood planning group)	Call for sites, Neighbourhood Planning Group (Developer Meeting)
Planning history (Live or previous planning applications/decisions)	No formal submission. Developer has written to BDC to express intention to develop.
Neighbouring uses	Residential and agricultural

## **Assessment of Suitability**

#### **Environmental Constraints**

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Site is predominantly, or wholly, within or adjacent to the following statutory environmental designations:  Ancient Woodland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Biosphere Reserve Local Nature Reserve (LNR) National Nature Reserve (NNR) National Park Ramsar Site Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) Special Area of Conservation (SAC) Special Protection Area (SPA)  Yes/ No/ Unknown  Does the site fall within a SSSI Impact Risk Zone and would the proposed use/development trigger the	YES (SSSI-Chesterfield Canal)
requirement to consult Natural England?  Yes/ No/ Unknown	YES/Unknown
Site is predominantly, or wholly, within or adjacent to the following non statutory environmental designations:  Green Infrastructure Corridor Local Wildlife Site (LWS) Public Open Space Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) Nature Improvement Area Regionally Important Geological Site Other  Yes/ No/ Unknown	NO

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Site is predominantly, or wholly, within Flood Zones 2 or 3?	
See guidance notes: Flood Zone 1: Low Risk Flood Zone 2: Medium Risk Flood Zone 3 (less or more vulnerable site use): Medium Risk Flood Zone 3 (highly vulnerable site use): High Risk	Zone 1 – Low Risk
Site is at risk of surface water flooding?  See guidance notes: Less than 15% of the site is affected by medium or high risk of surface water flooding – Low Risk >15% of the site is affected by medium or high risk of surface water flooding – Medium Risk	Low Risk
Is the land classified as the best and most versatile agricultural land (Grades 1, 2 or 3a)  Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Site contains habitats with the potential to support priority species?  Does the site contain local wildlife-rich habitats?  Is the site part of: A wider ecological network (including the hierarchy of international, national and locally designated sites of importance for biodiversity); wildlife corridors (and stepping stones that connect them); and/or An area identified by national and local partnerships for habitat management, enhancement, restoration or creation?	NO
Yes / No / Unknown Site is predominantly, or wholly, within or adjacent to an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA)? Yes / No / Unknown	NO

### **Physical Constraints**

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Is the site:	
Flat or relatively flat	Relatively Flat
Gently sloping or uneven	
Steeply sloping	
Is there existing vehicle access, or	
potential to create vehicle access to the	YES (Main Street)
site?	
Yes / No / Unknown	
Is there existing pedestrian/cycle	
access, or potential to create pedestrian/cycle access to the site?	
pedestrial/regole access to the site:	
Pedestrian?	YES
Yes / No / Unknown	
Cycle?	YES
Yes / No / Unknown	
Are there any known Tree Preservation	NO
Orders on the site?	NO
Yes / No / Unknown	
Are there veteran/ancient or other	
significant trees within or adjacent to	
the site? Are they owned by third parties?	
parties:	
Significant trees?	NO
Yes, within / Yes, adjacent / No /	
Unknown	
Potentially veteran or ancient trees	NO
present?	NO
Yes, within / Yes, adjacent / No /	
Unknown	
Owned by third parties?	
Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Are there any Public Rights of Way	
(PRoW) crossing the site?	NO
Yes / No / Unknown	
Is the site likely to be affected by	
ground contamination?	NO
Yes / No / Unknown	
Is there any utilities infrastructure	
crossing the site i.e. power lines/pipe	NO
lines, or is the site in close proximity to	
hazardous installations?	
Yes / No / Unknown	

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Would development of the site result in a loss of social, amenity or community	NO
value?	NO
Yes / No / Unknown	

#### Accessibility

Factor	Guidance
Distances to community facilities and services should be measured using walking routes from the centre of each site to each facility. Additional facilities can be added to the list. The distances are based on the assumption that 400m is equal to approximately 5 minutes' walk. This can be measured using <a href="Google Maps">Google Maps</a> :	
What is the distance to the following facilities (measured from the edge of the site)	Distance (metres)
Town / local centre / shop	>1200m (Clarborough)
Bus /Tram Stop	<400m
Train station	>1200m (Retford)
Primary School	>1200m (Clarborough)
Secondary School	>3900m (Retford or Gainsborough)
Open Space / recreation facilities	<400m (Chesterfield Canal, PROW) >800m (Village Playing Fields)
Cycle Route	<400m (Byways & Towpath)

#### **Landscape and Visual Constraints**

This section should be answered based on existing evidence (see guidance notes) or by a qualified landscape consultant.

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Is the site low, medium or high sensitivity in terms of landscape?  Low sensitivity: the site has few or no valued features, and/or valued features that are less susceptible to development and can accommodate change.  Medium sensitivity: the site has many valued features, and/or valued features that are susceptible to development but could potentially accommodate some change with appropriate mitigation.  High sensitivity: the site has highly valued features, and/or valued features that are highly susceptible to development. The site can accommodate minimal change.	High Sensitivity. Key character feature of Hayton – open land adjacent to residential properties. Occupies space between street and Chesterfield Canal (SSSI).
Is the site low, medium or high sensitivity in terms of visual amenity?  Low sensitivity: the site is visually enclosed and has low intervisibility with the surrounding landscape, and/or it would not adversely impact any identified views.  Medium sensitivity: the site is somewhat enclosed and has some intervisibility with the surrounding landscape, and/or it may adversely impact any identified views.  High sensitivity: the site is visually open and has high intervisibility with the surrounding landscape, and/or it would adversely impact any recognised views.	High Sensitivity. The site is provides open visibility from Main Street towards the Chesterfield Canal. Adjacent land to the south is open paddock.

### **Heritage Constraints**

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Would the development of the site cause harm to a designated heritage asset or its setting?	No impact.
Directly impact and/or mitigation not possible Some impact, and/or mitigation possible Limited or no impact or no requirement for mitigation	
Would the development of the site cause harm to a non-designated heritage asset or its setting?	
Directly impact and/or mitigation not possible Some impact, and/or mitigation possible Limited or no impact or no requirement for mitigation	No impact.

### **Planning policy constraints**

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Is the site in the Green Belt? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Is the site allocated for a particular use (e.g. housing / employment) or designated as open space in the adopted and / or emerging Local Plan?  Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Are there any other relevant planning policies relating to the site?	NO
Is the site:  Greenfield A mix of greenfield and previously developed land Previously developed land?	Greenfield
Is the site within, adjacent to or outside the existing built up area?  Within the existing built up area (infill)?  Adjacent to and connected to the existing built up area?  Outside and not connected to the existing built up area?	Adjacent to and connected to the existing built up area. Site sits between residential housing and agricultural land but extends westwards to the Chesterfield Canal and extends the current settlement line to the south.
Is the site within, adjacent to or outside the existing settlement boundary (if one exists)?  Within the existing settlement boundary? Adjacent to and connected to the existing settlement boundary? Outside and not connected to the existing settlement boundary?	Adjacent to and connected to the existing settlement boundary. (Site sits outside the village 'development' boundary)
Would development of the site result in neighbouring settlements merging into one another? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Is the size of the site large enough to significantly change the size and character of the existing settlement? Yes / No / Unknown	NO

# Assessment of Availability

Indicator of Availability	Assessment
Is the site available for development? Yes / No / Unknown.	YES
Are there any known legal or ownership problems such as unresolved multiple ownerships, ransom strips, tenancies, or operational requirements of landowners?  Yes / No / Unknown.	NO
Is there a known time frame for availability? Available now / 0-5 years / 6-10 years / 11-15 years.	0-5 years

## Viability

Indicators of Viability	Assessment
Is the site subject to any abnormal costs that could affect viability, such as demolition, land remediation or relocating utilities?  Yes / No / Unknown.	NO
What evidence is available to support this judgement?	

## Conclusions

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Summary of key development constraints affecting the site	No major constraints known. Dependent on land owner only.
What is the estimated development capacity of the site?	Developer identified either 8 or 6 properties.2x5 bed, 4x4bed, 2x bungalow. OR 6x5bed executive houses (gated)
What is the likely timeframe for development? (0-5 / 6-10 / 11-15 / 15+ years)	0-5 years
Other key information	The land is currently well maintained pasture with pleasant appearance.
Overall rating (Red/Amber/Green)  The site is suitable, available and achievable The site is potentially suitable, available and achievable The site is not currently suitable, available and achievable	RED.
Summary of justification for rating	Greenfield site adjacent to SSSI. Type of housing proposed could be out of character and wouldn't meet recommendations of the HNA (depending on option selected). Development would remove a key character feature of Hayton – namely removing a green site along Main Street with views to Chesterfield Canal.



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