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**From:** FOI Responses  
**Sent:** 09 May 2024 13:47  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [REDACTED] Response

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Thank you for your Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) request dated 15 April 2024, for information about Planning Applications.

Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

**Request:**

Q1: Please provide a link to any planning applications which have been granted since January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 for housing sites of 1,000 dwellings or more.

**Response:**

Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIR allows for information to not be provided if it is already available to the applicant in another format, for example via a website. In this case the information is publicly available at: <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/planning-applications-online-public-access>

**Request:**

Q2: Please provide any standard documentation which is issued by the Local Planning Authority to developers for guidance on designing housing site proposals.

**Response:**

Under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIR, this information is publicly available at: <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/local-plan> and at <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/ldf-supplementary-planning-documents>

**Request:**

Q3: Please outline how internal highway networks are agreed with developers. In particular, specifics around:

A: Road hierarchy (how is this identified (AADT, etc?); how is active travel dealt with; are there set design tiers)

B: Shared surfaces (When are these requested? Is there a limit to the number of dwellings they serve?)

C: Cycle infrastructure (when is dedicated cycle infrastructure required? Are there local design standards in place? Is there focus on connecting to existing networks; how is cycle parking dealt with?)

D: Pedestrian provision including crossing points (outline the conditions for internal development crossings – local centres, schools, critical mass etc)

E: Electric vehicle charging provision (When are communal charging areas requested; when are chargers requested for each dwelling, any other comment)

**Response for points A to C:**

The South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive, now South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority, are statutory consultees on Planning Applications and will provide comments in relation to the needs for the sites within Doncaster during the initial planning stages, be it an extension/diversion to an existing service, the need for bus stops and their location or a financial contribution to a new service.

There is focus on connecting to existing cycle facilities and any such facilities would have to be in accordance with LTN1/20. City of Doncaster Council condition cycle parking, this is also included in our Local Plan. For residential dwellings, one parking space per dwelling is required, this could be in a garage, or if there is no garage we specify a garden shed or similar to be provided. The standard for Employment sites is one cycle parking space for every 10 car parking spaces.

**Response for points E & D:**

Under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIR, this information is now included in the updated Building Regulations, 'Approved Document S' of the Building Regulations 2010 and is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/infrastructure-for-charging-electric-vehicles-approved-document-s> Information can also be found at:

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/local-plan> and

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/ldf-supplementary-planning-documents>

**Request:**

Q4: Please outline how provision for public transport is accommodated for new development sites where public transport provision is required within the site itself. Is there a trigger point for public transport provision to be implemented? How are requirements for public transport decided?

How are public transport stop/shelter locations and specifications within development sites decided?

At what stage are public transport operators involved, and does this directly influence build-out phasing?

**Response:**

Under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIR, information is available at: <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/local-plan>

**Request:**

Q5 Is public transport provision prioritised in any way in the highway, for new residential developments?

**Response:**

All planning applications are determined in accordance with the development plan (the adopted Doncaster Local Plan) unless material considerations (including the requirements of national planning policy and guidance) indicate otherwise. Any such requirements will be assessed on a case-by-case basis depending on the relevant policies and considerations, and the detailed circumstances of the application site and its wider context

**Request:**

Q6 Is active travel prioritised in any way for new housing development sites?

**Response:**

As above. City of Doncaster Council does request that any infrastructure be LTN1/20 compliant.

**Request:**

Q7: Please indicate if all new development sites install infrastructure for active travel which is compliant with LTN 1/20.

**Response:**

As above (responses to questions 5 and 6).

**Request:**

Q8: Please provide commentary on how needs for community facilities are identified to be delivered as part of a residential planning application. This could include schools, shops, local centre, parks/play equipment, office facilities, places of worship etc.

**Response:**

Under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIR, information is available at: <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/local-plan>

**Request:**

Q9: Has the Local Authority utilised its powers of compulsory purchase in order to construct an active or sustainable travel project.

**Response:**

No Compulsory Purchase Orders have been used to date on any active travel projects.

**Request:**

Q10: Please provide any monitoring reports from where Low Traffic Neighbourhoods, modal filters, 'Mini Holland', 15-minute neighbourhood or similar interventions have been implemented in order to reduce carborne trips.

**Response:**

Under Regulation 12(4)(a) of the EIR, City of Doncaster Council does not hold this information.

**Request:**

Q11: Has your Local Authority area declared a carbon emergency?

**Response:**

Under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIR, the information is publicly available at <https://www.teamdoncaster.org.uk/environment-and-climate>

I hope that this information is useful to you.

**Reviewing any decisions made:**

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email [FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk)

If you do not agree with the review decision you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision about our compliance or otherwise with the Freedom of Information legislation. Contact details for the ICO are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk) Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely,

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