YORKSHIRE DALES
National Park Authority

YORSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK LOCAL PLAN 2025-2040

ADOPTION STATEMENT

30th June 2026

In accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority hereby gives notice that it has adopted the Yorkshire Dales National Park Local Plan 2025 - 2040 on the 30th June 2026.

The Yorkshire Dales National Park Local Plan sets out the strategy and policies for the development and use of land during the period up to 2040. The Local Plan is supported by a Policies Map which identifies where specific planning policies apply and where sites allocated for development are located.

The Local Plan has been subject to examination by Mr Malcolm Rivett BA(Hons) MSc MRTPI, a Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

Public Hearings about the Local Plan took place in Bainbridge between the 3rd and 11th of December 2025. Following the Hearings, 'main modifications' to the Plan were subject to public consultation between the 31st March and the 12th May 2026.

The Inspector's report of examination was issued to the Authority on 11th June 2026. It confirms that, subject to the Inspector's recommended main modifications, the Local Plan is sound and legally compliant.

The final adopted Local Plan therefore incorporates the main modifications, along with additional minor modifications made by the Authority which do not materially affect the policies in the Plan.

Any person aggrieved by the Local Plan may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 on the grounds that:

a) the Local Plan is not within the appropriate power conferred by Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004; and / or

b) a procedural requirement (as defined within Section 113 (10) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004) has not been complied with.

Any such application must be made not later than the six week period ending on the 11th August 2026.

The Local Plan, adoption statement and supporting documents can be viewed at the Authority's website:

https://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/park-authority/living-and-working/planning-policy/local-plan-2025-40/

A printed copy of the adoption statement, the Local Plan text and the Inspector's report is available to view at the Authority offices at Yoredale, Bainbridge DL8 3EL and Colvend, Grassington BD23 5LB (Monday to Friday, 9am to 4.30pm).

For further information please contact the Planning Policy team via localplan@yorkshiredales.org.uk

In accordance with the regulations a copy of this Adoption Statement has been sent to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.