

## **AGENDA ITEM 11 – Creswell Growth Plan Update**

A letter has been received from Elmton-with-Creswell Parish Council on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025, a copy of which is attached. The letter urges the Planning Committee to reconsider the proposed Growth Plan and requests that further consultations be held with local residents, heritage experts, and environmental bodies to explore alternative strategies that align with sustainable development goals while preserving the unique historical and environmental character of the parish.

In relation to the request for further public consultation, it is noted that the consultation exercise on the Draft Creswell Growth Plan in July / August 2024 led to a clear view from the community in favour of none of the Growth Plan options and that key concerns were the ability of the village's infrastructure to cope with additional growth. Based on the letter from the Creswell and Elmton Residents Action Group and from the Parish Council, it is considered that this view remains. Therefore, it is considered that committing to further consultation at this stage would be of limited value and involve significant resource.

However, for completeness an additional recommendation is proposed for Member's consideration.

### **Recommendation**

That the Planning Committee:

- 1) Notes the steer from the Local Plan Implementation Advisory Group on the next steps for the preparation of the Creswell Growth Plan as set out in the report;
- 2) Notes the request from the Creswell and Elmton Residents Action Group to carry out no further action on any of the Creswell Growth Plan options as set out in Appendix 1;
- 3) Notes the request from Elmton-with-Creswell Parish Council to carry out further consultation on the Creswell Growth Plan options to explore alternative strategies that align with sustainable development goals while preserving the unique historical and environmental character of Elmton-with-Creswell Parish;
- 4) Approve the next steps for the preparation of the Creswell Growth Plan.