

FRIENDS OF THE PEAK DISTRICT
CAMPAIGN TO PROTECT RURAL ENGLAND
PEAK DISTRICT AND SOUTH YORKSHIRE BRANCH

PLANNING POLICY

AIMS

CPRE exists to promote the beauty, tranquillity and diversity of rural England by encouraging the sustainable use of land and other natural resources in town and country. This Branch aims to achieve that by:

- (1) influencing land-use plans and the policies and strategies which affect them;
- (2) influencing the outcome of planning applications through the development control process.

Wherever possible we will seek to involve and work with local residents and users of the countryside. We will implement these aims as described below

1. INFLUENCING PLANS AND POLICIES

Nationally

- Where appropriate, we will provide Branch representation on national consultations on planning and policy issues and by participating in CPRE national campaigns

Regionally

- We will provide Branch representation on CPRE Regional Groups so that branch views are reflected in CPRE campaigning on Regional Spatial Strategies and other relevant regional plans, policies and strategies.
- Where appropriate, we will provide Branch representation on draft Regional Spatial Strategy, including appearing at Examination in Public

Locally

- We will take part in consultations during the compilation and drafting of local development plans/frameworks at all levels below the regional level
- We will participate where appropriate in local plan inquiries
- We will work with local individuals, parish councils, community groups and other interest groups to gather intelligence; to stimulate involvement in the planning process and to lend weight to our lobbying.

2. INFLUENCING PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- We will scrutinise all published lists of planning applications
- We will seek to influence the outcome of those planning applications which are judged to meet the following criteria:
 1. Proposals having a significant local impact on rural settlements or the countryside
 2. Proposals creating policy precedents
 3. Proposals that may enhance the countryside
 4. Cases relating to CPRE national campaigns