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VALIDATION CERTIFICATE: Reducing Travel by Car & Improving Accessibility

Please read the Guidance Note (overleaf) BEFORE completing this Certificate. When completed, submit this Certificate with your planning application:

Description & Address of proposed development:

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Name & Address of Applicant:

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Tel No. E-mail address

Please sign statement below:

I confirm that pre-application discussions have been held and agreement reached on the relevant information to be supplied in connection with Policy TRA1 (criterion b) of the Harrogate District Core Strategy (adopted Feb. 2009) and that this information is contained in the attached report.

Signed Applicant/Agent Date

Signed Principal Planner, HBC Date

For your planning application to be accepted/validated by the Council, you must submit with it the attached validation certificate duly signed by the applicant/agent and an appropriate officer of the Council's planning division.

Guidance Note: (Please read before completing the Form overleaf)

(TRA1b) Reducing Travel by Car & Improving Accessibility: Validation Requirements.

INTRODUCTION

You should read this note carefully and comply with its validation requirements if your proposal is

- 1. a residential development of 10 or more dwellings, or where the number of dwellings is not given, the site area is 0.3 hectares or more and located in or adjacent to the built up areas of Harrogate, Knaresborough, Ripon, Boroughbridge, Masham and Pateley Bridge.**
- 2. A non residential development within one of the following categories where the gross floorspace is equal to or greater than the following:**

Food Retail/Non food retail	1000sq m
A2 offices/B1 business/B2 industry	2500 sq m
C2 residential	2500sq m
(institutions/hospitals)	
D1 non res. Institutions	2500 sq m
D2 Assembly	2500 sq m
and leisure	
Cinemas and	1000 sq m
Conference centres	
Stadia	1500 seats

If your proposal falls into category 1 above, you should contact Gill Ritchie, Principal Planner on 01423 556587 or by email at gill.ritchie@harrogate.gov.uk and agree the following in order to complete the accessibility assessment of your proposal site:

- The walking distance of your proposal site to
 - an appropriate bus stop or rail station on the key Bus and Rail Network.
 - the nearest primary school
 - the nearest major area of employment
 - the nearest GP surgery
 - the nearest food supermarket, town or local shopping centre.

This information and certification is sought to implement Policy TRA1 and Appendix 8 of the Harrogate District Core Strategy (adopted Feb 2009). Paragraph 6.9 of the explanation to Core Strategy Policy TRA1 explains how these measurements will be used to assess your site's accessibility giving it either a positive or negative score. This provides an initial indication of the accessibility of the site's location and is a basis for further discussion with the highway and other authorities in relation to improvements required in order to encourage access to/from the site by public transport, walking and cycling and to reduce congestion. Where a site's accessibility score is negative the Council will expect applicants to investigate how this can be improved. See Policy TRA1 in Chapter 6 and Appendix 8 of the Core Strategy.

If your proposal falls into category 2 above, you should contact Gill Ritchie, as above and agree the information to be provided to satisfy Policy T3 of the Regional Spatial Strategy, the Yorkshire and Humber Plan (page183).

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