

STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

16 September 2014

Police Headquarters

Earlier this year I reported to you that I had the assurance of Julia Mulligan, Police and Crime Commissioner, that the new northern base to replace the Police Headquarters in Newby Wiske would be situated at an appropriate location within Hambleton. Back in August it became apparent that, despite her assurances and need for all aspects of the police authority to be housed together at one location, this has now changed. Instead it has been decided that North Yorkshire Police will share a building with Cleveland Police at Hemlington, Middlesbrough.

I have to say that I am really disappointed and concerned that the Police and Crime Commissioner has gone back on an earlier assurance to remain in Hambleton.

Local Plan Review

Back in May 2013 I agreed that we should move forward with a Partial Plan Review. This was agreed by Cabinet/Council last October. This was to look at the scope of a handful of polices which were regarded as being out of step with the needs of the District. At Cabinet on 2nd September 2014 it was recommended that this will continue, in addition to a Full Plan Review. Government advice is to have a single local plan rather than a Local Development Framework.

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