



Yorkshire Wolds Proposed Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

Response Form

Proposal to designate a new Yorkshire Wolds Area
of Outstanding Natural Beauty

**Response forms should be returned as soon as possible and
arrive no later than midnight on Monday 13 January 2025**

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How to complete this response form

This response form is for recording your views on the project. Before filling it in, we recommend that you first read the enclosed Consultation Document, which contains useful information that will help you to comment on our proposals.

This response form has been divided into four parts.

- **Part A** is for recording information about you
- **Part B** is for recording comments about whether the proposed new Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) should go ahead
- **Part C** is for recording more detailed comments about the proposed new AONB. This includes comments about how well they meet the natural beauty criterion, whether it is desirable that the proposed areas are designated and comments on the proposed boundary
- **Part D** is for recording comments on areas outside the areas proposed for designation.

Please feel free to complete as many or as few parts of the response form as you wish.

If you need more space to add your comments, please use the additional Information pages at the back of this document.

Responses to this consultation can be made on line at <https://consult.defra.gov.uk/ne-landscape-heritage-and-geodiversity-team/yorkshire-wolds-designation/> or by completing this response form and returning it as soon as possible to Natural England using the pre-paid envelope provided. Response forms must arrive on or before Monday 13 January 2025.

Thank you

Further Information

Further information about this project and the online response form can be found via:

- <https://consult.defra.gov.uk/ne-landscape-heritage-and-geodiversity-team/yorkshire-wolds-designation>

If you have any questions or require further assistance or copies of the consultation pack you can:

- E-mail us at: YorksWoldsDesignationProject@naturalengland.org.uk
- Phone 0300 060 3900. If no one is available, please leave a message and contact details and we will return your call.
- Write to **Yorks Wolds Consultation, Natural England, PO Box 295, HOLMFIRTH, HD9 9FS.**

Using and sharing your consultation response

Natural England does not share your personal information with anyone else.

Your responses will help to inform Natural England's decision on whether to take forward our proposals and, if so, where the boundaries should be. We will publish an anonymised summary of the responses following the end of the consultation period (with personal data removed).

Natural England respects your personal privacy when responding to access to information requests. Natural England only shares information when necessary to meet the statutory requirements of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 and the Freedom of Information Act 2000. If you do not wish for the opinions that you give in this consultation to be shared, please fill in Question A2. This will then be considered should we receive a request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 and/or the Freedom of Information Act 2000. However, we cannot guarantee that your anonymised views will not be released. Please also note that the information you give in response to the Diversity Monitoring Questions at A5 will be separated from your consultation response and will not be associated with you or your responses.

For further details please see our privacy notice which is published on the consultation platform at <https://consult.defra.gov.uk/ne-landscape-heritage-and-geodiversity-team/yorkshire-wolds-designation>.

Part A: Information about you

Part A of the response form is for recording information about you.

Question A1

Please complete the following details:

Title:

Name:

Organisation (if applicable):

Address:

Postcode:

Contact number:

Email:

Question A2

Your response may be made publicly available.

Are you happy for your response to be made publicly available?

Yes No

If you have answered "No", please give a reason below:

In order for us to analyse the results of the consultation, we would like to be able to look at responses from different groups of people. These could be people who have similar interests in the area; or who live in particular locations. We also need to ensure that everyone has the chance to take part in this consultation. To help us do this, we would be very grateful if you could complete questions A3, A4 and A5.

Your interest in the area

(please see the key map for the areas affected)

Question A3

Which of the following describes your relationship(s) to the areas proposed for designation?

Please complete / tick all that apply.

| Area | I live... |
|---|--------------------------|
| In the proposed new AONB | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Near the proposed new AONB in North Yorkshire | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Near the proposed new AONB in East Yorkshire | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| In another part of Yorkshire | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Outside Yorkshire | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Question A4

If this is a formal response on behalf of an organisation, please complete the following section.

Please tick the heading(s) that best describe your organisation.

- Local Authority (County, District or Borough)
- Parish or Town Council
- Other statutory or public sector body
- National representative group
- Recreation group
- Conservation group
- Farming group
- Business group
- Other (please specify)

Diversity Monitoring

Question A5

We would also like to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to take part in the consultation. In order to monitor if this is the case, we would like to know which of the following groups you belong to.

Please tick all boxes that apply.

Note: this information will be separated from your consultation response and will not be made publicly available, except in a way that does not identify individuals.

A. Age Group (please specify)

- 0-18
- 19-44
- 45- 64
- 65+

B. Disability

The Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA) defines a person as disabled if they have a physical or mental impairment, which has a substantial or long term (ie has lasted or is expected to last at least 12 months) adverse effect on the person's ability to carry out normal day to day activities.

Do you consider yourself disabled as defined by the DDA? Yes No

C. Ethnic Group (please specify)

Asian/Asian British

- Bangladeshi Indian Pakistani
- Chinese
- Any other Asian background

Black/African/Caribbean/Black British

- African Caribbean
- Any other black background

Mixed/Multiple ethnic groups

- Asian and White
- Black African and White
- Black Caribbean and White
- Any other mixed /multiple ethnic background

White

- English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British
- Irish Gypsy or Irish Traveller
- Any other White background

Other ethnic group

- Arab
- Any other ethnic group

D. Gender

Male Female

I prefer not to say

Note: These categories are based on those used by the Office of National Statistics.

Part B: Overall comments Proposed new Yorkshire Wolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)

Part B of the response form is about whether the proposed new AONB should go ahead. **You should complete this section if you wish to either agree or disagree with our overall proposals.**

Please refer to the Consultation Document and Maps before answering this question. Natural England is proposing to designate a new Yorkshire Wolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, as shown on the map in the Consultation Document.

Question B1:

Do you think the proposed areas should be designated as AONB?
Please tick one box for each area.

| Proposed new AONB | Yes I agree | I neither agree or disagree | I don't agree | I don't feel able to comment |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Inland Area | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Coastal Area | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Part C: Comments on Areas Proposed for Designation

(if you wish to comment on areas outside the areas proposed for designation, please go to Part D)

Introduction

Part C of the response form is for recording more detailed comments about the areas proposed for designation. This might include how well each area (or parts thereof) meet the natural beauty criterion, whether it is desirable that the areas should be designated and about the proposed boundary. If you wish to comment on the boundary please provide your comments in section C5 and C10. If you also wish to comment on areas which are not currently within the proposed designation, please enter these comments in the next section of the form (Part D), please do not put them in Part C.

When answering the questions in this section, please make reference to the factors that we have taken into account when assessing natural beauty, and desirability of designation. You should also consider the boundary setting considerations when commenting on the proposed boundaries. You can find this information in the Consultation Document, as follows:

- Factors for assessing natural beauty (page 6)
- Factors for assessing desirability of designation (page 6)
- Boundary setting considerations (page 7)

You should also consider the A3 maps 1-15 showing the proposed boundary at 1:25,000 scale.

For more detailed information please consult the full Technical Documents and Natural England Guidance for Assessing Landscapes for Designation as a National Park or Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) (Revised, June 2021) via this link:

<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/ne-landscape-heritage-and-geodiversity-team/yorkshire-wolds-designation/>

This part of the response form provides an opportunity to comment on the proposed new AONB in detail. You should answer questions C1 - C10.

It would be helpful if you could explain the reasons for your views in the relevant text box supplied below each question. If you require more space please continue your response on the additional sheets of paper on pages 12 and 13, specifying which question number you are answering next to the relevant text. You may comment on one or both of the proposed areas.

Commenting on the proposed boundaries

If you wish to recommend an alternative boundary for the proposed new AONB, please draw an amended boundary line(s) onto the relevant A3 map(s) or alternative map base.

Please return your amended map(s) to us either digitally or by post, together with this response form. Alternatively please email your map(s) to us at: YorksWoldsDesignationProject@naturalengland.org.uk enclosing your name and postcode in the email so that we can associate it with your response.

Inland Area:

Please refer to the Consultation Document, as well as relevant maps before answering the following questions.

Question C1:

Does this area have sufficient natural beauty to be designated as AONB?

Yes No Not sure

Please give reasons for your views:

Question C2:

Is there any other important information that we should include in our assessment of this area's natural beauty

Yes No

If yes, please give further details:

Question C3:

Is it desirable to designate this area as AONB due to its natural beauty?

Yes No Not sure

Please give a reason for your views:

Question C4:

Is there any other important information that we should include in our assessment of the desirability of designating this area?

Yes No

If yes, please give further details:

Question C5:

Do you agree with the proposed boundary?

Yes No Not sure I wish to suggest an alternative boundary

Please give a reason for your views:

If you wish to recommend an alternative boundary, please draw an amended boundary onto the relevant A3 map or alternative map base and return it to us either digitally or by post, together with this response form.

Coastal Area:

Please refer to the Consultation Document, as well as relevant maps before answering the following questions.

Question C6:

Does this area have sufficient natural beauty to be designated as AONB?

Yes No Not sure

Please give reasons for your views:

Question C7:

Is there any other important information that we should include in our assessment of this area's natural beauty?

Yes No

If yes, please give further details:

Question C8:

Is it desirable to designate this area as AONB due to its natural beauty?

Yes No Not sure

Please give a reason for your views:

Question C9:

Is there any other important information that we should include in our assessment of the desirability of designating this area?

Yes No

If yes, please give further details:

Question C10:

Do you agree with the proposed boundary?

Yes No Not sure I wish to suggest an alternative boundary

Please give a reason for your views:

If you wish to recommend an alternative boundary, please draw an amended boundary onto the relevant A3 map or alternative map base and return it to us either digitally or by post, together with this response form.

Part D: Comments on Areas outside the areas proposed for Designation

Question D1:

Do you think there are other areas of the Yorkshire Wolds which should be included in the proposed new Yorkshire Wolds AONB?

Yes No Not sure

Please give reasons for your views:

Additional Information

Please use the following two pages to comment on boundary refinements or to add any additional notes or comments as part of your responses to Part C. When adding additional notes/comments, please be sure to clearly name the area you are referring to and include the number of the question that your comments relate to, as appropriate.

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