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Following my site visit to the Wray with Botton Neighbourhood Plan area, I would appreciate clarification on the following matters from the Qualifying Body and/or the Local Planning Authority. In order to ensure openness and transparency of the examination process, these questions and the responses should be published on the Council’s website.

1. Policy COM1 includes undefined areas of agricultural land used for the fairground and car parking during the scarecrow festival. Is there planning consent for this use or is it carried out under temporary use permitted development rights? Does the Parish Council have any legal agreements with the landowner for this use? Would the QB define the boundary of the area on a map?

2. COM1 includes the allotments. Are these statutory allotments managed by the parish council? If so, is there a need for further protection through this NP policy?

3. What does the Forest School site consist of? Is there a building and curtilage that can be defined on a map? Is the site owned by the Parish Council?

4. The Proposals Map shows a site numbered 11 as the Green Corridor along the River Roeburn. This is not included in the list of sites in Policy COM1. The boundary of the area is not defined and appears to be the route of a footpath along the river. I consider that it is not appropriate to designate it as a community asset.

5. Site 5 is the “former” Friends meeting house. What is its current use? Is there public access to the building?

6. Site C1 shown on the Proposals Map appears to lie within or adjacent to the car park to the Bridge House tea room and garden centre. It is not allocated in Policy RE1 and only referenced in paragraph 4.6.8 as a site that may have potential. There is no evidence that the proposal is deliverable and I shall therefore be recommending that it be deleted from the plan. If the site did come forward for development it would be considered against the criteria of Policy RE1 and Local Plan policies.

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