



Call for Evidence Analysis of Responses

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The Call for Evidence



- First opportunity for wider public to engage in The Housing Challenge - RSS 2009 Update
- Sought to generate ideas for how and where we might accommodate growth in the region
- Also served to raise awareness of the Update in advance of the Spatial Options stage

Consultation

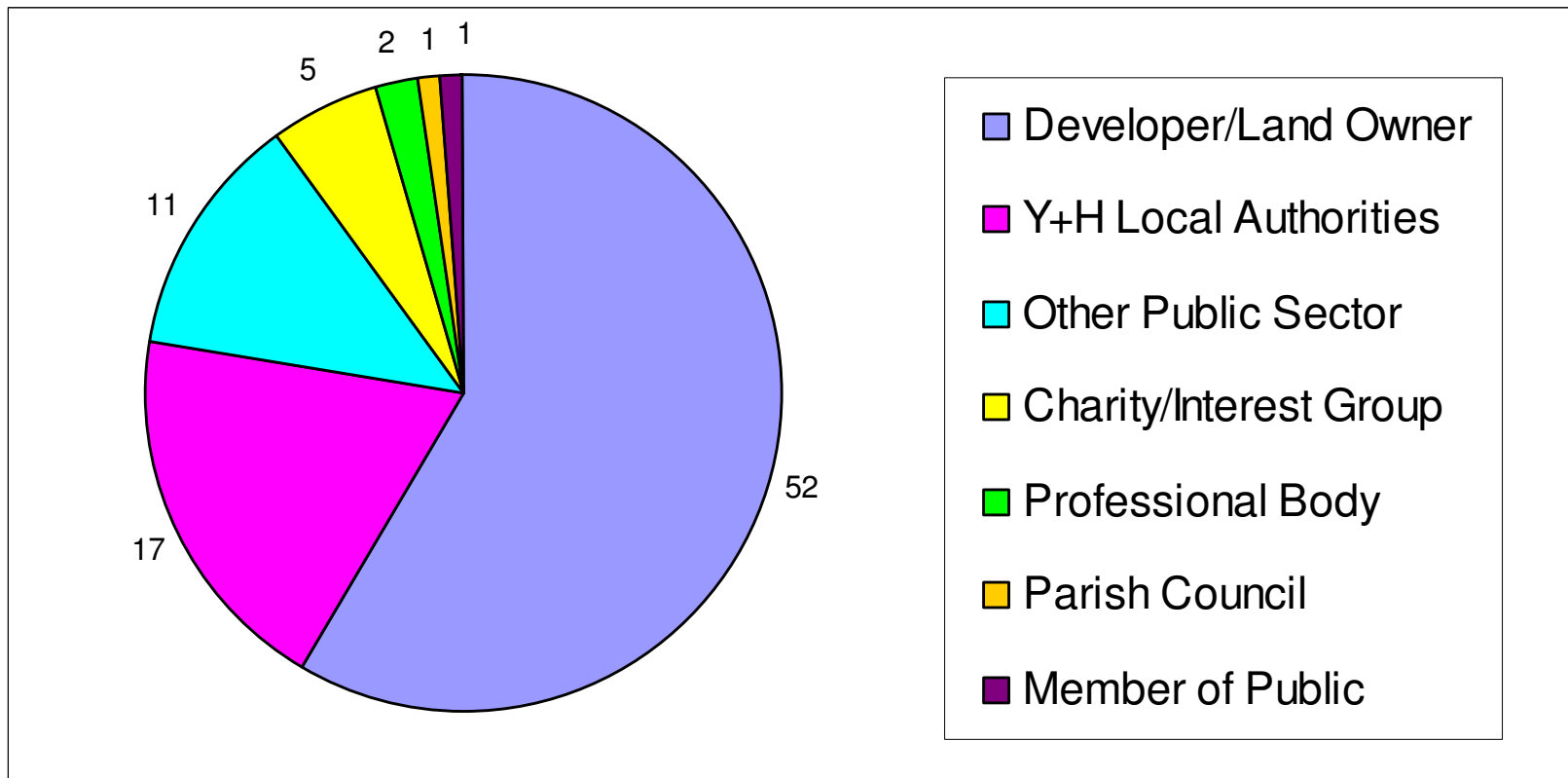


- Six week consultation in June and July
- Electronic and hard copies of documents
- Lots of information on the website
- Discussions and presentations at meetings
- Technical workshops on the evidence base
- Wide range of organisations and forums
- Ran alongside the Project Plan consultation

Who Responded?



- 89 responses in total
- 87% involved in preparation of last Plan



The Approaches



1 - Maintaining the current strategy

2 - Major Urban Expansions

3 - New Settlements

4 - Growth Points and Growth Areas

The Responses



- Preferred approaches across the region were:
 - Major Urban Expansions (25%)
 - Maintaining the Current Strategy (20%)
 - A combination of the two (15%)
- Less support for Growth Points and New Settlements
- New approach emerging - maintain current strategy but expand the settlement network to allow more growth in smaller towns

West Yorkshire



- Support to continue urban transformation from both public and private sector
- Over 20 private sector representations identifying locations for urban expansion
- Some private sector support for new settlements and eco towns
- Private sector support for Green Belt review
- Mixed local authority opinion on Green Belt review

Humber



- Support for maintaining current strategy from local authorities
- North Lincolnshire supporting their Growth Point ambitions (urban expansion - Lincolnshire Lakes)
- Desire to maintain housing market renewal focus from local authorities and public sector
- Support from private sector for urban extensions in Scunthorpe, Grimsby and Hull outside of flood risk areas

North Yorkshire



- Local authority support for current strategy
- Recognition from North East region of proposed growth of Catterick Garrison
- Limited support from private sector for small-scale urban expansion e.g. Ripon, Northallerton
- Some private sector support for York Green Belt review
- Some private sector representations identifying potential locations for growth and expansion of York

South Yorkshire



- Local authority and public sector responses reflecting Growth Point and housing market renewal priorities
- Strong private sector support for Doncaster district ex-colliery and quarry sites including an Eco Town
- Private sector representations identifying potential for growth of Sheffield and Rotherham
- Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster Councils identifying long-term options for growth
 - E.g. Barnsley Growth Corridor based on rail network and Waverley site in Rotherham

Infrastructure



- Many responses suggesting a need to focus on delivery and identifying specific infrastructure needs:
- Transport:
 - Bus corridors e.g. Dewsbury
 - Station improvements e.g. Wakefield Kirkgate
 - Reinststate railway lines e.g. North Midlands
 - New relief and orbital roads e.g. East Leeds
 - Junction improvements e.g. Hipperholme
 - Demand management e.g. Dearne Valley
- Flood risk
- Green and social infrastructure

Next Steps



- Further analysis of responses
- Feed into development and testing of Spatial Options (with other evidence)
- Spatial Options in November/December