

In conjunction with:

Department for  
**Communities and  
Local Government**

**Laying the Foundations – Delivering the Housing Strategy**  
**Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2012**  
**York Racecourse**

**PRE EVENT INFORMATION**

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Please find enclosed:

- Detailed programme for the day
- Venue details, including a location map, travel information and directions for York Racecourse
- Information relating to workshop choices and a fax back form
- Further important information relating to the event

I hope you enjoy this informative event and ask that throughout the day you take the time to fill in our evaluation form, which you will find in your delegate pack. This will provide you with a chance to express your views, comments and ideas, which we consider for all future events.

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## PROGRAMME

**10.00am Registration and refreshments**

**10.30am Chairs welcome and introduction**

*Steve Waddington, Assistant Director, Housing and Public Protection, City of York*

**10.35am The Housing Strategy explained**

*Terrie Alafat, Director, Housing Growth and Affordable Housing, DCLG*

In this opening session Terrie will set the government's housing strategy in context and explain both the thinking behind it and how they are looking to work with the sector to implement it. She will also link into the areas involved in further consultation in helping shape the detail of how the strategy will move into practice for housing organisations.

**11.15am The Housing Strategy – A local authority and provider perspective**

*Paul Beardmore, Director of Housing, Manchester CC*  
*Mark Henderson, Chief Executive, Home Group*

Paul and Mark will give their respective views in particular focusing on:

- What is good about the strategy
- What are some of the barriers to implementation
- What needs to change to allow effective implementation
- What does the strategy not do

**12.00pm Professional practice sessions**

**A. Changes to Right to Buy**

*Graham Duncan, Deputy Director, Affordable Housing, DCLG*

In this session Graham will focus on:

- Proposals for planned changes to the RTB scheme
- Proposals for use of receipts from RTB sales
- Options for delivering the one-for-one replacement affordable rent homes

**B. Private rented sector**

*Sally Randall, Deputy Director, Private Housing, DCLG*  
*Johnny Lighten MBE, NE Organiser, National Landlords Association*

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### **C. Welfare and social housing reform**

*Paul Downie, Deputy Director, Housing Management and Performance, DCLG*

*Fiona Gough, Deputy Director, Welfare Reform, DCLG*

In this session Paul and Fiona will focus on:

- How DCLG and DWP are working together to support delivery and mitigate impacts of welfare reform
- Under-occupation changes
- Direct payment to landlords
- Localism Act implementation
- Consultations on tenancy fraud and raising rents for high income tenants

### **1.15pm Lunch**

### **2.15pm Delivering new supply**

*Dan Greaves, Deputy Director, Housing Growth and Markets, DCLG*

*Ken Perry, Chief Executive, Plus Dane Group*

*Deborah McLaughlin, Executive Director, NW, Homes and Communities Agency*

*Charlotte Harrison, Executive Director (Policy and Public Affairs) Northern Housing Consortium*

*John Marr, Senior Policy Adviser, Council of Mortgage Lenders*

This session will focus on the key planned elements of delivering new supply along with an examination from a provider and funder perspective of how it will work in the North.

- Delivering new supply
  1. Growing Places Fund
  2. Get Britain Building investment fund
  3. New build mortgage indemnity scheme
  4. New Homes Bonus
  5. NPPF changes

### **3.30pm Delivering the Housing Strategy – Panel session**

The closing panel session, consisting of speakers from throughout the day will attempt to provide clarity and answers to previously submitted questions from delegates.

### **4.00pm Close of conference**

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# Directions

York Racecourse  
The Racecourse  
York  
YO23 1EX  
Tel: 01904 620911

Website: <http://www.yorkracecourse.co.uk/>

*Please note, these directions are to be used as a guideline only, for exact directions from your departure point, please use one of the following websites:*

**Multimap** - <http://www.multimap.com>

**AA** - [http://www.theaa.com/travelwatch/planner\\_main.jsp](http://www.theaa.com/travelwatch/planner_main.jsp)

**Google Maps** - <http://maps.google.co.uk/>

## **BY ROAD:**

York Racecourse is just outside the city of York with good motorway links on the M1 and A1. Once near the city, from the south, east and west the A64 and A1036 are the roads to follow. From the north, use the A19 and A59, then the York Ring Road to avoid the city centre.

## **CAR PARKING:**

There is ample free car parking at York Races. Please follow directional signs at all times.

## **BY RAIL/PUBLIC TRANSPORT:**

Fast and frequent rail services take as little as 1 hour 52 minutes from London Kings Cross and some 2.5 hours from Edinburgh. Manchester and Birmingham are also direct. (The course is 1 mile from the station and City Centre) For station information, train times and routes please visit National Rail's website <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>

If arriving into York Train Station, the best way to reach the Racecourse is either via taxi costing approximately £5.00 or via bus costing approximately £2.50 for a return fare.

'First' operate a bus service to the Racecourse, details are as follows:

- Service 4 operates every 10 minutes and drops off at Tadcaster Road (approx 5 minutes walk to the Racecourse entrance)
- Service 12 & 13 operates every 30 minutes and drops off at Tadcaster Road (approx 5 minutes walk to the Racecourse entrance)
- Service 11 operates every 30 minutes and drops off at Knavesmire Road (approx 2 minutes walk to the Racecourse entrance)

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- Further information can be found on their website  
<http://www.firstgroup.com/index.php>

For information on other modes of public transport, please visit <http://www.yorkshiretravel.net/> or <http://www.visitYork.org/information/> which details alternative modes of transport and directions.

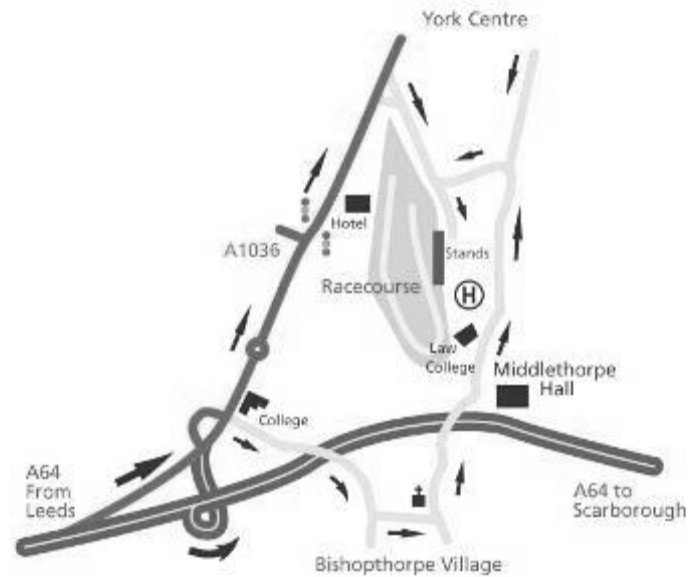
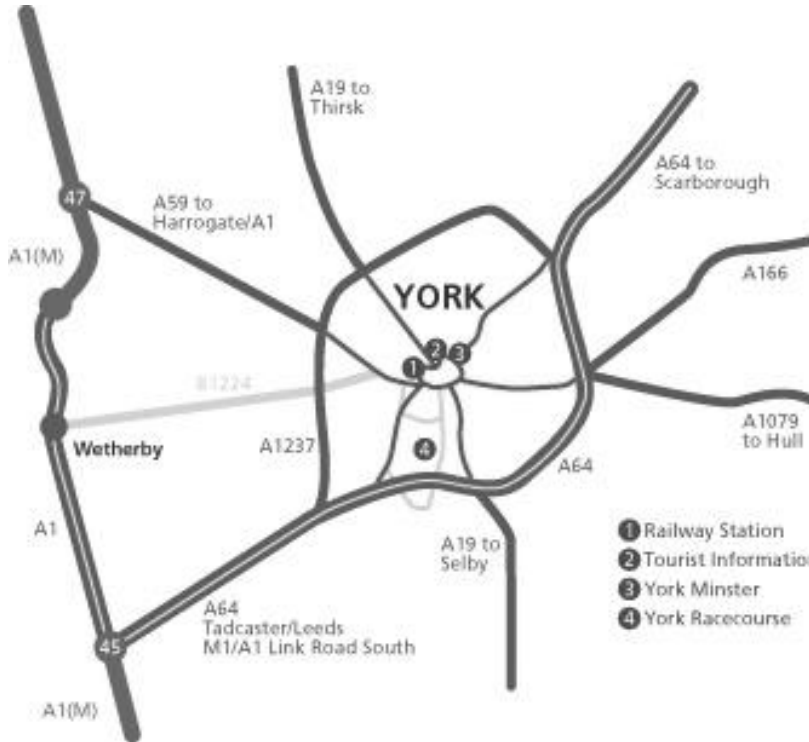
**BY AIR:**

Leeds/Bradford and Manchester International airports are within fifty and ninety minutes respectively.

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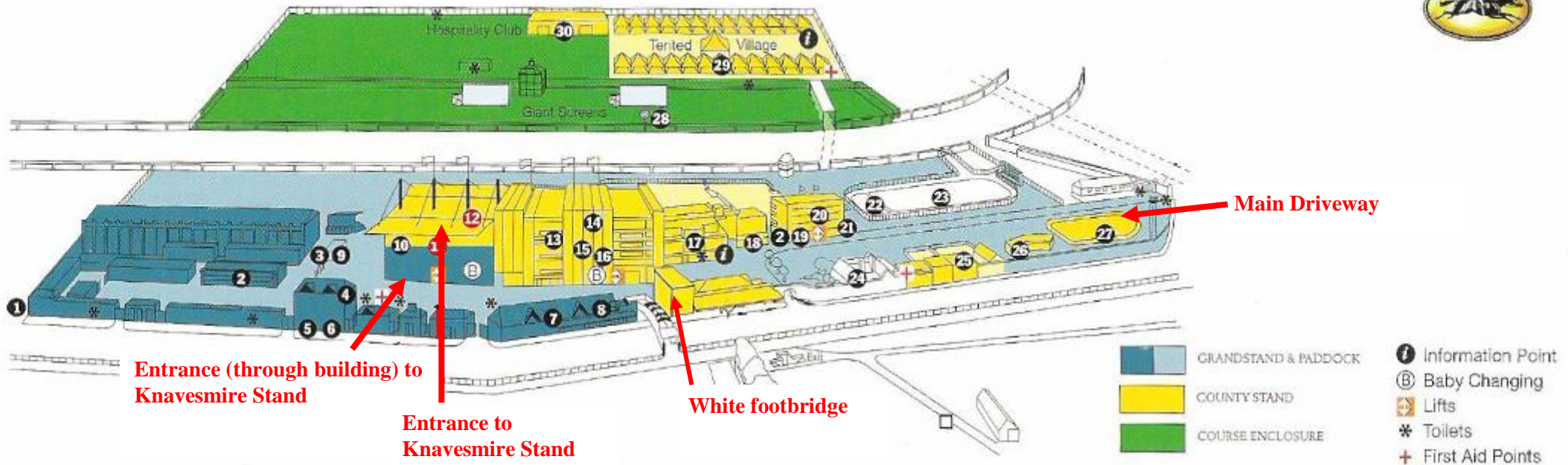
# MAP

## York Racecourse, York



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**York Racecourse  
Venue Layout Map**



- 1 Creche (on selected racedays)
- 2 Betting Hall
- 3 Ring Inspector's Point
- 4 The Connaught Suite & Sports Bar
- 5 The Diminuendo Champagne Bar
- 6 The Roberto Bar
- 7 Caterers' Office
- 8 Racecourse Office
- 9 Cashpoint
- 10 Voltigeur Restaurant

- 11 Knavesmire stand
- 12 Knavesmire Boxes 4th floor
- 13 Ebor Stand
- 14 Ebor Restaurant (4th floor)
- 15 Ebor Boxes (3rd floor)
- 16 Dante Suite (2nd floor)
- 17 Gimcrack Room
- 18 Old County Stand
- 19 Tote Credit Shop
- 20 The Melrose Stand

- 21 Owners & Trainers Enclosure
- 22 Winners Enclosure
- 23 Parade Ring
- 24 Weighing Room
- 25 Champagne and Seafood Bar
- 26 Moet et Chandon Pavilion
- 27 Pre-Parade Ring
- 28 Winning Post
- 29 Tented Village
- 30 Hospitality Club

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### Professional Practice Sessions

Please find enclosed a form showing professional practice session choices available to attend at this event. If you have not already advised us of your choices can you please complete the enclosed form indicating which sessions you would like to attend and fax it back to us on (0191) 5661001, alternatively you can email your choices to [events@northern-consortium.org.uk](mailto:events@northern-consortium.org.uk)

### Professional Practice Session Locations

Sessions will take place in the executive boxes, which are located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Ebor Stand. Details will be available at the Registration Desk and on the Northern Housing Consortium's corporate stand showing which session is taking place in which box.

### Car Parking

There are ample parking spaces available at the Racecourse

### Registration

Registration will be open from 10.00am and the event commences at 10.30am. Upon your arrival you will need to register at the Registration Desk to ensure you have been signed in and receive all your information for the day. The Registration Desk will be situated in the Dante Suite on the second floor of the Ebor Stand.

### Messages for Delegates

If you need to be contacted during the conference, please contact the racecourse on 01904 638971. Messages are to be addressed to the NHC Conference. Messages received will be displayed on a small notice board at the Registration Desk as we are unable to deliver messages personally. Please restrict messages to emergencies only.

### Conference Fee

Your conference fee includes a delegate pack, lunch and all refreshments throughout the day as detailed in the programme.

### Lunch & Refreshments

A buffet lunch will be served in the Dante Suite. Refreshments will also be served in this area – please refer to the programme for timings.

### Payment/Cancellations

Please note that it is part of our terms and conditions for payment to be received prior to the event. It is also important that you familiarise yourself with our cancellation policy which is situated on the bottom of all booking forms and can also be viewed on our website.

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**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ORGANISATION** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Professional practice sessions 12.00pm</b>	<b>Please tick ONE only</b>
<b>A. Changes to Right to Buy</b>	
<b>B. Private Rented Sector</b>	
<b>C. Welfare and Social Housing Reform</b>	

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The deadline date for the NHC to receive this information is no later than  
[Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2012](#)

**Delegates who do not choose their workshops by the deadline will be automatically allocated to remaining places in workshops**

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