

**Officer Update Note**  
**Strategic Planning Committee – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2025, 10.00am**

**Item 3**

<b>APPLICATION NUMBER:</b>	ZG2023/1179/FULM
<b>APPLICANT:</b>	NEL Hunter
<b>PROPOSAL:</b>	Installation of battery storage facility
<b>LOCATION:</b>	Land off Lunn Lane, Kellington
<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	GRANT subject to the conditions, the completion of a s106 legal agreement, and the outcome of the referral to the Secretary of State

Updates to the NPPF made on 7 February 2025 to correct cross-references from footnotes 7 and 8 and amend the end of the first sentence of paragraph 155 to make its intent clear do not alter the assessment and recommendation of this application. The amendment to paragraph 155 is not a change to the policy, but a point of clarification.

One further letter of representation has been received since the agenda was published, which neither objects to nor supports the proposals, but advises that due to the significant number of green energy related applications in relation to the Grid upgrades, a 'Together in Hillam and Monk Fryston' group was formed in January 2025 comprising almost all community groups from within the two Parishes. Its purpose is not to comment negatively on energy planning applications but instead to contact the developer and focus on 'good practice' for community compensation that the energy minister is advocating. The representation states that good practice on the topic is sparse but highlights a couple of schemes within NY where community funds have been evident. The representation notes that this has rightly not been included in the planning balance as it sits outside of the planning process but asks that this information be included when reporting such applications to planning committee in the future.