

**Holmedale Community Nature Project** 

### Dualling of A66 would result in habitat destruction

National Highways would offset by improvements elsewhere

# National Highways Requirements

Large capital projects

- Improving watercourses
- Improving local habitats: woodland, hedges and meadows

Consultation Findings

### **Project Strands** (5 year programme)

Capital projects (1 per parish)

> Farmer support & liaison

individuals Local habitat

**Activities for** 

improvements

#### Parish capital projects

#### Aim:

Create or improve wetland habitat (bog, ponds, watercourse, floodplain)

#### Secondary aim:

Reduce local flood risk by improved water retention and slower run off

#### Activity Year 1:

Feasibility assessment

#### Years 2-5:

**Projects delivery** 

### **Farming projects**

#### Aim:

Meadow creation (or other farmland habitat improvements)

#### Activities:

- set up farmer clusters to exchange ideas
- engage a farming liaison officer
- assist in developing plans for new Environment Land Management Schemes

#### Local habitat improvements

#### Aims:

- Plant trees and hedgerows
- Improve existing local habitats

#### Activity Year 1:

Create local map identifying opportunities based on area surveys, ecology advice and discussions with residents

#### Years 2-5:

Planting and other improvement works

### **Community activities**

#### Aim:

Provide additional activities for individuals to get involved

#### Activities:

- Evening talks on topics of interest
- Training and workshops
- Volunteer opportunities

# Funding

### **National Highways:**

- Decision on A66 dualling deferred to 7 March 2024
- Funding of new biodiversity projects deferred to March 2025

### **Alternatives:**

- National Lottery
- Yorkshire Millenium Trust
- White Rose Forest
- And more...

## **Organisation Requirements**

To set up a legally constituted organisation, we need to:

- Decide on organisation type
- Develop a constitution
- Open a bank account

We need you!