

MURTON PARISH COUNCIL

Murton Parish Neighbourhood Plan

April 2nd 2021

Dear Colleague

We are now very close to having our own Neighbourhood Plan – the guarantee that Murton residents and businesses have more influence on the future of *our* Parish.

The current version of the Plan contains policies that are all based on previous feedback given by residents and businesses, principally from the answers to the five questionnaires that were sent out over the last few years and from discussions.

Before we can submit the plan to the City of York Council, **we have one last big ‘ask’ – and we hope you will help.**

All we need is for you to read the leaflet and tell us if there is anything there that concerns you. Your comments will be reflected in the final version that we submit.

N.B. The Plan has to be written in a formal style for legal clarity and we hope you can fight your way through any jargon - but do ask if anything is not clear.

The complete Plan is available on our specially prepared website and details on how to find it are given overleaf.

It’s important that Murton’s future is shaped by its community, and this is another chance for you to contribute to this. So please get involved and help us to produce a document which really will then be OUR PLAN.

Isobel Waddington
Chairman, Murton Parish Council

Richard Clancey
Chairman, Murton Parish Neighbourhood Plan Working Party

USEFUL INFORMATION

What is the enclosed leaflet?

It is a **summary** of what will be in the Neighbourhood Plan that we will submit to City of York Council. It also contains some explanatory information about the process.

Can I read the **WHOLE** draft plan?

Yes. You can read the complete Plan on our website:

<https://murtonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk/>

If you prefer to study the Plan in a paper version, we have made arrangements for it to be available at the Yorkshire Museum of Farming, the City Library and at Tang Hall Library. For further details, please ask the Clerk to the Parish Council, Alastair McFarlane for a copy (01904 481306), or email him at murtonyorkparishclerk@yahoo.com

You may be particularly interested in the following sections:

Section 4.5 Businesses and agriculture

Section 6.1 Introduction (Policies)

Section 6.2 Murton Parish and the Proposed City of York Green Belt

Section 6.5 Employment

How can I comment on the draft Plan?

Enclosed with the leaflet is a request for comments. Please email them to us at consultation@murtonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk or post them to

The Clerk
Murton Parish Council
5 Blue Coat
Murton
York
YO19 5WA

We really need your opinions, so **please respond by May 25th**

What happens next?

Once we have heard your feedback, we make final revisions to the draft Plan and submit it to City of York Council (CYC). CYC will make sure that the Plan fits with their own Local Plan, and then will send it to an independent examiner to check it against national and legal guidelines.

If it passes these tests, there is a referendum vote in the Parish. A simple majority then turns the Plan into a statutory and binding document.