MURTON PARISH COUNCIL



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Dear Mr Richardson

MURTON PARISH COUNCIL: APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA

I enclose a formal application to permit Murton Parish Council to begin preparations for the submission of a Neighbourhood Plan for our parish.

We look forward to working closely with the relevant officers in your Department.

Yours sincerely

Isobel Waddington

Chairman, Murton Parish Council

cc Caroline Strudwick

Rebecca Harrison

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Application to the City of York Council for Designation of Neighbourhood Plan Area

1. INTRODUCTION

Murton Parish lies on the east side of the city, in the Osbaldwick ward of the City of York Council. It comprises of two relatively dense areas of houses, the village of Murton and an area on and just north of the Hull Road. The parish also includes some substantial businesses (for example B and Q and the Auction Centre) and farmland with farmsteads. The attached map describes the boundaries of the parish (Appendix A).

2. STATEMENT EXPLAINING WHY THE PARISH IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN APPROPRIATE NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA

Murton Parish Council plays the lead role within the parish, representing the interests of all its residents. It is the statutory consultee on planning applications within the parish. Consultation to date shows that there is a desire for a neighbourhood plan, particularly given the recent government legislation with regard to localism. It follows from the Council's successful application in obtaining conservation status for important parts of the village and the Village Design Statement. We see the Neighbour Plan as a logical development which is in the best interests of all in the Parish.

3. MURTON PARISH COUNCIL AS THE RELEVANT BODY

Murton Parish Council is best placed with its collective experience and with its recognized status within the government to initiate and carry out the Neighbourhood Plan.

4. CONCLUSION

We wish to be formally designated as the relevant body, working with the City of York Council, to produce the Neighbourhood Plan for the whole Parish (Appendix A).

