**Murton Parish Neighbourhood Plan Working Party**

 **Report to the Murton Parish Council meeting**

 **on March 9th 2022**

1. **Reviewing the documents prior to submission**
2. As noted in the February report, we need to show that our Neighbourhood Plan, in conjunction with the local plans of one or more of the neighbouring areas (City of York, Harrogate and Selby), does not make a full HRA necessary. CYC officers have not yet contacted Harrogate and Selby Councils on our behalf due to pressure on them in submitting the emerging Local Plan to inspectors. They will do so in early April.
3. We have continued to make small changes to the documents, for example mentioning the new signs that have been put up by the Ward Committee and our Parish Council.

***We continue hope to have the documents ready to send to the relevant officers of the City of York Council within a few weeks.***

As stated in the last report, we are sure that the CYC officers will have some comments for us to consider. The documents are then sent to an independent Examiner. If the Inspector agrees, the Plan is submitted for a referendum in the Parish, organised by the City of York Council. Finally, if there is an agreement (a simple majority), it is sent to the City of York Council for final agreement.

1. **Consultation with landowners.**

The Working Party has written to landowners who do not live or work in the Parish asking them for comments. One has commented and the reply has been included in the relevant parts of the Plan.

1. **Commitments made by the Parish Council**

In the draft of the Neighbourhood Plan, there are several examples of requests to the Parish Council for work to be undertaken in response to suggestions made by members of the Parish which seem to the Working Party as eminently sensible and helpful and should be included in the Neighbourhood Plan. There are others which were suggested in the Consultation and which are not appropriate to include in the Plan itself because they are either too detailed or outside its parameters but nevertheless should be drawn to the attention of the Parish Council. The Parish Council had a preliminary discussion about this at its February meeting and will continue it at the March meeting.

**The attachment contains a note on these commitments. The Parish Council has been asked to confirm that they agree with them.**