**Murton Parish Neighbourhood Plan Working Party**

**Report to the Parish Council December 13th 2017**

1. **Questionnaire for the southern edge of the parish**
2. ***Delivery and collection***

The questionnaire for the southern edge of the parish was delivered over a period of three weeks. These households are along the north edge of the Hull and Stamford Bridge Roads, part of Tranby Avenue, Cavendish Grove, Moins Court, Meam Close and Redbarn Drive.

Each household received an envelope with a letter from the Chairman of the Working Party, the questionnaire and a stamped addressed envelope to his home address. Following the initial drop, there were some returns. Most households were visited at least once and duplicate forms and stamped addressed envelopes left with the residents. Those out were revisited and if still out left another copy of the form and sae envelope in a large envelope with a note on the large envelope.

1. ***Returns***

As of December 9th, there have been 47 returns from 119 deliveries, an overall return of 39%. There are considerable discrepancies between areas. We had 32% returns from Meam Close/Moins Court/ Redbarn Drive. The others (Tranby Avenue, Hull Road, Grimston), 52%. Indeed if we exclude Redbarn Drive (on the grounds that it is predominately short term lets), the overall return is 53%.

1. ***Analysis***

This is being carried out and should be complete by Christmas.

1. **Report**

We aim to complete the report by mid-January.

1. **HMOs**

The latest statistics from the City Council tell us that there are 255 Council Tax properties in Murton Parish and of these 29 are HMO Properties, equating to 11.4% of properties in our Parish. However this hides the fact that all these properties are in one area which contains about 110 properties. This appears to indicate that well over 20% properties in this area, larger than the target set by the Council of 20%.

1. **Writing the Neighbourhood Plan**

As reported at the last meeting of the Parish Council, a new preliminary draft was being prepared following the publication of the City of York Local Plan Pre Publication Draft Regulation 18 Consultation in September. The central document has now been prepared and sent to our advisor, Dave Chetwyn, for comment. There is a series of accompanying papers which need drafting but are time-consuming to prepare.

Dave is helping us to draft the next grant proposal which we hope to send off before Christmas so that he can help us with these papers.