

Dear Residents

Your Parish Council is very pleased to offer its Neighbourhood Plan Policy Intentions Document (PID) for your consideration. This PID is the first community consultation document in the formal local government-mandated Neighbourhood Planning process.

This is a significant milestone in the Parish Council's process of establishing our own Neighbourhood Plan. A Neighbourhood Plan that, when eventually enshrined in law, will give you, our parishioners, direct power to influence the shape, development and growth of our local area and enable you to protect the things that you value such as, for example, local green spaces, heritage buildings, community facilities and local employment.

The contents of this PID are the end result of a significant amount of work done by valued parishioner volunteers. While this work was initiated by your parish councillors, it was executed by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, aided by an experienced consultant, and recently reformed Focus Groups looking at:

- the environment
- village facilities
- parish housing
- local transport and infrastructure.

The PID identifies policies in these areas on which we need your feedback so that we can produce a Neighbourhood Plan which clearly represents local views. Without your responses and support it will be difficult for the Parish Council to put forward a convincing community-based plan that Harrogate Borough Council will sign off and enshrine in law. Without a legally enforceable Neighbourhood Plan in place it will be increasingly difficult to protect your interests from external pressures.

Please help us to help you, by providing your feedback on the PID by Friday 30th July 2021.

Ideally your response should be via the online SurveyMonkey questionnaire accessible at this link <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CKKPRBL</u> or, if that is not possible, complete a hardcopy of the questionnaire, available on request from Cathy Burrell at Clarebria, Church Lane (07912 448732) or Pannal Post Office and Shop.

There will be a Zoom online drop in event on **Saturday 24th July, 10-11 am** to answer any questions you may have. The link to this event will be available on the Neighbourhood Plan page of the Parish Council website from 16th July.

Please ensure your questionnaire has been uploaded to SurveyMonkey or your hard copy questionnaire returned to the Parish Council at Clarebria or Pannal Post Office and shop as soon as possible and no later than 30th July 2021.