MALTON AND NORTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



MALTON AND NORTON-ON-DERWENT TOWN COUNCILS

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By hand and via email

Dear

SUPPORT IN THE PREPARATION OF THE MALTON AND NORTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A Neighbourhood Plan offers the community an opportunity to set out in a positive and active way what developments and services they would like to see in the towns. In line with national planning law, Ryedale District Council are currently concluding their document, the local development framework for Ryedale, known as the 'Ryedale Plan'. A Neighbourhood Plan for Malton and Norton provides a layer of advisory, that should be in general conformity of the strategic elements of the Ryedale Plan.

Both town councils have worked closely together on numerous occasions and also have a close working relationship with officers at Ryedale District Council. Many businesses and organisations have a vested interest in the promotion, protection and prosperity of the two towns. To this end we are inviting expressions of interest from those who would like to go through this process with us.

Over the next twelve to eighteen months a steering group will meet, with various focus groups taking place at the same time to formulate the plan. Commitment is likely to be attendance at steering or focus group meetings once a month.

We are looking for three community representatives at steering group level and two community representatives at focus group level. The areas of focus are as follows:

Community and Leisure

Public Services – Schools, doctors, dentists, hospital, fire service, policing and libraries.

Community Services – Citizens advice, social care, churches and religious organisations.

Sports, Recreation and the Arts – Leisure centre, swimming pool, sports clubs, arts, Milton Rooms, museum and racing.

Environment

The Environment – Trees, planting, care and maintenance, our river, habitats, verges, open spaces and pollution.

Heritage

Heritage – Roman, historic buildings, Dickens, racing and riverside. Townscape – Buildings, street scene, chimneys and topography.

Forward Planning

The Economy – Retail, night scene, commercial, festivals, events, industrial, employment, transport and communications. Housing – Planning constraints, planning flexibility, design statements, impact and amenity. Infrastructure – Highways, utilities and rural aspects.

Steering Group

Overseeing the process, liaising with planning consultants through clerks, consolidating the work from the focus groups.

Please consider the above and if you are able to assist us with this process, we would be grateful if you would contact us at the address, or email, found at the head of the letter. Please also identify first, second and third choices of the areas of interest that you would be prepared to work on. We look forward to hearing from you. Please respond by 1st January 2016.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor David Lloyd-Williams Chairman, Malton and Norton Neighbourhood Plan Committee