

Council Office, Eversley Park Centre, Low Street, Sherburn in Elmet LS25 6BA

Ryan King Senior Planning Policy Officer North Yorkshire Council Civic Centre Doncaster Road Selby **YO8 9FT**

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Dear Ryan,

Re: Application to become a designated Neighbourhood Area in order to produce a Neighbourhood Development Plan - Sherburn in Elmet, North Yorkshire

I am writing to you on behalf of Sherburn in Elmet Town Council. In order for the Council to investigate and produce a Neighbourhood Development plan under The Localism Act (2011), I understand that we must first apply for the parish to become a designated Neighbourhood area.

1. Name of proposed Neighbourhood Area: Sherburn in Elmet see below

2. Map of proposed area:



<u>Courtesy of Parish Online: Sherburn in Elmet parish boundary</u>

3. Supporting statement:

Sherburn in Elmet is a fast-growing town, which sustains four supermarkets (Spar, Tesco Express, Aldi and Co-op). There are several independently owned shops and a market in the centre of the town once a week. As well as the shops and houses in the centre of Sherburn, just on the outskirts of the village is the Sherburn Industrial Estate, one of the biggest enterprise parks in the area: home to some big names such as Debenhams, Sainsbury's distribution and Eddie Stobart. British Gypsum, the UK's leading manufacturer of interion lining systems also had a large site on the outskirts of the village.

The town is served by both Sherburn in Elmet railway station with services to York, Hull, Sheffield and in nearby South Milford station, providing services to Leeds and Hull. A regular bus service also go to Leeds, Tadcaster and Selby.

As well as a number of local well-established businesses in the town, there are also a number of significant community groups including SVS (Sherburn Visiting Scheme), SIE CT (Sherburn in Elmet Community Trust), the Old Girls' School, Elmet Lions, We are Sherburn (community and businesses networking group) and Elmete Business Forum: to name but a few. It is hoped that all of these groups will be informed and communicated with to form the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

The proposed neighbourhood area represents a strong mix of semi-rural residential development and commercial business use. The town is supported by an eastern boundary ring-road which separates the parish from the Industrial Estates and the old London Road runs from north to south through the town creating a cross roads in the heart of the parish. To the west lies the West Yorkshire boundary and the A1/M1 link road, to the south, the M62 is a few miles away and to the north is the town of Tadcaster and the A64 trunk road from Leeds to York.

Sherburn in Elmet as a parish has seen exponential growth in residential development over the past 10 years, coupled with the planning consent Sherburn II Industrial Estate: making Sherburn the largest industrial estate employer in North Yorkshire. There are currently over 3,000 people employed on the Industrial Estate. The vision for the formation and adoption of a Neighbourhood Development Plan for Sherburn in Elmet is to enable the Town Council to support in the creation of community facilities, designated green space and required infrastructure so that Sherburn in Elmet is a vibrant and thriving community to live, work, play and socialise.

The Town Council will lead on the creation of a NDP Steering Group (Town Council Committee Terms of Reference) to formalise the meetings of local community groups and businesses so that a wide and cross-section of the local population can be invested and influence the formation of the plan. The population of 8,568 (2021 census), 6,709 electorate and 4,096 homes represent the continued expansion of Sherburn in recent times.

The aims of the NDP will be to assist in the delivery of the clear vision to support the re-generation and creation of community facilities, open spaces and infrastructure to promote healthy lifestyles in a small parish where the Council have designated themselves as a Town Council to reflect the huge increase in residential development (circa 8,000 population) over the past decade.

The application only involves the area within the Sherburn in Elmet parish boundary but there will be open and transparent liaison and communication with neighbouring parishes including Barkston Ash, Newthorpe with Huddleston, Monk Fryston, South Milford and Church Fenton.

4. Statement of Intent:

Sherburn in Elmet Town Council, as a separate corporate body are making the application on behalf of the parish: for the purposes of Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act (1990). It is the intention of the Town Council to make and prepare for public referendum an adopted Neighbourhood Development Plan for Sherburn in Elmet.

5. Contacts:

In line with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations (2012), please see below contact details:

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6. Declaration:

As you can see from the draft minutes of a recent Full Council meeting held on Monday 15th January 2024 insert web link to minutes, minute ref FC/24/XXX, the Town Council unanimously agreed to submit this application to apply for designation of the Neighbourhood Area with the parameters of the Sherburn in Elmet parish boundary.

If we could arrange a meeting to discuss the progression of our Neighbourhood Development Plan with you at your earliest convenience, I would be most grateful.

Yours sincerely,

Georgina Ashton

Georgina Ashton, Responsible Finance Officer
For and on behalf of Sherburn in Elmet Town Council