

# **Examination of the City of York Local Plan 2017 – 2033**

## **Phase I Hearings**

**Written representation from  
Elvington Parish Council**

Date : 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019

We would like to re-iterate Elvington Parish Council's (EPC) previous representations regarding the soundness of the proposed local plan for York. In particular relating to questions 1.2-1.9 of the Schedule of Matters, Issues and Questions for the Examination (v.2 Nov19)

As previously stated, we do not feel that City of York Council (CYC) has fulfilled it's duties to cooperate as stated in the National Planning Policy Framework. In particular Section 3.16.C whereby the plan is to;

*be shaped by early, proportionate and effective engagement between plan-makers and communities, local organisations, businesses, infrastructure providers and operators and statutory consultees;*

We do not feel that CYC has engaged with us at all and feel that they produced a plan to satisfy central government, without taking into account the views of the residents of the city they seek to represent.

When the initial site consultation documents were circulated in 2013/14 we held 3 public drop in sessions attended by a significant majority of the adult resident population of the parish. From these we gained a great insight into the views of the parishioners to the proposals.

Thereafter we forwarded to CYC, our representations on the proposed sites based upon the feedback from the sessions. From that point forward we have heard nothing from CYC to say our views have been considered or otherwise and if not, the rationale behind why not.

This does not in our view go anywhere near CYC's duty to cooperate, as laid down under statute and therefore the plan fails immediately as these legal requirements have not been met.

We will comment on the specific site issues in the Phase 2 hearings.

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