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**Colin Burgon**  
Member of Parliament  
Constituency of Elmet

I am delighted to offer my support to Barwick in Elmet and Scholes Parish Plan knowing that it will provide a good opportunity for local people at the heart of each village to shape their future. I am pleased to hear that so many residents were involved in the consultation process and feel sure they will support the implementation of the Plan for the benefit of future generations.



**Mr. Raymond Franks**  
Lord of Barwick in Elmet  
and Thorner

As Lord of the Manor of Barwick in Elmet I am naturally concerned for the future of the village and surrounding areas. The well-being and survival of rural England is a very important issue and I am pleased to learn of the Government's recent initiative to encourage rural communities to take action for themselves in order to safeguard their future. It gives me much pleasure in offering my support and encouragement to the Parish and I look forward to hearing how the villagers have responded to the questionnaire circulated to them and how they would like to see their own village develop in the future. This is a wonderful opportunity and the Parish Council is to be congratulated on their foresight in taking up this challenge.



**Councillor Ann Castle**  
Deputy Lord Mayor 2005/6

The three City Councillors for the Ward, Rachael Procter, Alec Shelbrooke and I were delighted to learn that the villages of Barwick in Elmet & Scholes had decided to produce a Parish Plan. It will be helpful in our work to be aware of the views, likes, dislikes and aspirations from all sections of the community. It will provide a blueprint for the future, to make the Parish an even better place in which to live and work. With all good wishes to everyone concerned with its production.



**Malcolm Lawson,**  
Chairman of Barwick in Elmet & Scholes  
Parish Council

The Parish Council would like to thank everyone in both villages for their input into the Parish Plan which has been a sterling effort from all concerned. Although the idea to produce a Parish Plan was a Council initiative the work in preparing and distributing questionnaires, collecting them, analysing the data and writing the report has been carried out by willing volunteers forming the Steering Group, supported by many others. All must be congratulated and thanked for the time and effort so freely given. The Parish Council hopes that the resulting Action Plan will accurately reflect resident's priorities which can be addressed in the coming years. We may not be able to achieve all the aims stated but with this invaluable research available as guidance we should be able to see a clearer way forward.

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