

# North Tyneside

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** New York and Murton, Preston with Preston Grange

Please see the attached letter

## Attached Documents:

- Collingwood letter .pdf

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed boundaries of the New York & Murton ward. As a resident of the area, I believe that these boundaries are the most sensible and appropriate for the distinct communities of Chirton Grange, Moor Park, New York and Murton.

One of the main reasons I support these proposed boundaries is that they keep these communities intact. The distinct character of each of these areas is important, and it is essential that they are not divided by ward boundaries. The proposed boundaries ensure that the entire proposed development of 3,000 houses is contained in the same ward, which will allow any issues which arise as part of the development to be handled by the same group of Councillors. This will enable them to familiarise themselves with the issue and provide better governance to the community.

Furthermore, I appreciate that the proposed boundaries take into account the impact of the proposed development on the New York and Murton communities. By having these communities in the same ward, it will allow the Councillors to work on issues of common concern that they are likely to face due to overdevelopment, traffic congestion, and the provision of public services.

I also welcome the inclusion of community assets such as the New York & Murton Social Club, Hill Top Park, and St. Aidan's Church within the proposed ward. These community assets play an essential role in fostering community spirit and building strong local relationships. The proposed boundaries ensure that these assets remain within the same ward, which will allow for better collaboration between the residents, Councillors, and community organisations.

Another reason I support these proposed boundaries is that they take into account the transportation needs of the area. The 53 bus route connects New York to North Shields town centre, and the number 310 bus route connects Norham Road North to Newcastle. By having these routes run through the proposed ward, it will ensure that residents have access to reliable and convenient transportation options.

My current ward also includes the Preston Grange estate which has always been distinct and separate from the rest of the ward, I would fully support the new Preston with Preston Grange ward which will bring together the communities within the same ward. Residents that I have spoken to seem very supportive, particularly given Preston Grange has been recognised in the naming of the ward.

Overall, I support these proposed boundaries because they promote effective governance. With the proposed ward containing geographically small and easily traversable residential areas, it will ensure that Councillors can address issues quickly and efficiently. Moreover, the proposed boundaries will provide an opportunity for more effective governance of the proposed new Metro station between West Monkseaton and Shiremoor, which is likely to be a significant challenge to get up and running.

In conclusion, I fully support the proposed boundaries of the New York & Murton ward. They are sensible, appropriate, and take into account the needs of the community. I urge you to support these proposed boundaries and ensure that the distinct communities of Chirton Grange, New York and Murton remain intact.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Cllr Olly Scargill  
**Collingwood Ward**