Neighbourhood Plan Application

by

Ettington Parish Council

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1 Introduction

The purpose of this document is to apply to Stratford-on-Avon District Council for designation of a neighbourhood plan area, in accordance with Regulation 5 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

The application is made by Ettington Parish Council.

2 Background

At a meeting of the Parish Council on 10 July 2013 the Council resolved to proceed with the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan.

An open session was held on 18 October 2013 by the Parish Council, with the purpose of consulting residents on the prospect of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan for Ettington and Fulready. The meeting was very well attended and there was overwhelming support for this.

A steering committee has been set up, comprising residents and a Councillor, with the purpose of managing the task of preparing the Neighbourhood Plan on behalf of the Parish Council, who will remain the qualifying body. The Area Designation for Ettington and Fulready is proposed to be consistent with the existing Parish Boundary.

The name of the proposed Plan has been agreed to be Ettington and Fulready Neighbourhood Plan The intention is that this Plan will be introduced in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act, the National Planning Policy Framework, and the emerging Core Strategy for the District.

3 The Application

Regulation 5 requires the submission of the following to the local planning authority:

a) a map which identifies the area to which the application relates:

A map of the proposed area is shown in Appendix 1;

b) a statement explaining why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area;

At the Parish Council meeting held on 10 December 2014 it was agreed to prepare a neighbourhood plan that covered the entire administrative area of the Parish without extension to incorporate adjacent Parishes.

However, the Parish Council recognises that Ettington does provide services and amenities that are used by residents within adjacent Parishes. Accordingly, the Steering Committee has been instructed to ensure the views and wishes of people from surrounding areas are taken into consideration as part of the wide consultation process that will form the basis for the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan;

and:

c) a statement that the organisation or body making the area application is a relevant body for the purpose of Section 61(G)2 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011):

Under Section 61G(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, a relevant body is defined as a Parish Council or an organisation or body which is, or is capable of being, designated a Neighbourhood Forum.

The application for designation of a Neighbourhood area is submitted by Ettington Parish Council, which is a relevant body for the purposes of this matter and therefore, authorised under Section 61G(2).

4 Conclusion

Ettington Parish Council formally requests that Stratford-on-Avon District Council acknowledges the intention to produce a Neighbourhood Development Plan for Ettington and Fulready Parish, and confirm agreement to the existing Parish boundary being designated as the area that this proposed Plan will cover.

It is requested that the District Council, as the local planning authority, publicise this application in accordance with Regulation 6, this being for a required six week period.

The Parish Council confirms that no previous applications have been made for designation of the neighbourhood area for Ettington and Fulready.