

Neighbourhood Plan Area Application

Pillerton Priors Parish Council

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This application was prepared by Pillerton Priors Parish Council

1. Introduction

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

The application is made by Pillerton Priors Parish Council (PPPC) as the relevant body.

2. Background

Following lengthy discussion, in January 2014 the Parish Council established a small project team to investigate the opportunity and feasibility of developing a neighbourhood plan for the parish.

Subsequently, on 17th April 2014 at the Annual Parish Meeting (attended by 42 residents) the project team, endorsed by the Parish Council, made a presentation to ask the community whether they would like to develop a Neighbourhood Plan.

Following this presentation and discussion a vote, by show of hands, indicated an overwhelmingly positive reaction and strong endorsement for the Parish Council's plans to proceed with the development of a Neighbourhood Plan.

At their meeting on Thursday 15th May the PPPC decided to progress with the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan for its area and apply to SDC for designation status. To further progress the development of the plan a steering group of nine residents comprising local volunteers and representatives from PPPC has now been formalised.

The plan will guide development in the proposed designated area in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act, the National Planning Policy Framework, and SDCs emerging Core Strategy.

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 area application relates;

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

c) a statement that the organisation or body making the area application is a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G(2) of the Town and County Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011).

3.1 The proposed neighbourhood plan area

A map of the proposed area is given as Appendix 1

3.2 Appropriateness of neighbourhood plan area designation

PPPC discussed the proposed boundary, and concluded that it was appropriate and practical to develop the neighbourhood plan for the Parish Council's entire administrative area and without seeking to create a neighbourhood plan in conjunction with adjoining Parish Councils.

3.3 Relevant body

Under Section 61G of the Town and County 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.

This application for designation of a neighbourhood area is submitted by Pillerton Priors Parish Council, which as a Parish Council is a relevant body for the purposes of this matter and is therefore authorised under Section 61G(2).

4. Conclusion

Pillerton Priors Parish Council formally requests that Stratford-on-Avon District Council acknowledge the intention to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for Pillerton Priors Parish and confirm agreement to the area that this proposed Neighbourhood Plan will cover.

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

The Parish Council confirms that no previous application(s) have been made for designation of the neighbourhood area for Pillerton Priors.

Appendix 1 – Boundary Map