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## **WALKERN PARISH COUNCIL Walkern Neighbourhood Plan Group**

8<sup>th</sup> October 2014

Secretary: Sally Roberts

Kevin Steptoe  
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East Herts Council  
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By email only

Dear Sirs,

### **APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA**

Walkern Parish Council and its Walkern Neighbourhood Plan Group, as a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011), hereby requests that the village of Walkern as defined by its parish boundary and outlined in black on the enclosed map, be designated as a Neighbourhood Area as specified in Schedule 9 61G of the Localism Act 2011.

The Parish Council and its Walkern Neighbourhood Plan Group considers this an appropriate area for designating as a Neighbourhood Area for the following reasons:-

- The boundaries represent existing and well established boundaries.
- This complies with the guidance given in Interim Neighbourhood Planning Guidance Note (East Herts Council, December 2011) that "the expectation in East Herts is that neighbourhood areas will follow parish boundaries".

Secretary for Walkern Neighbourhood Plan Group  
On behalf of Walkern Parish Council