

# Little Hadham Parish Council

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Dear Sir or Madam

**Re. Neighbourhood Plan Area Application - June 2016  
Localism Act 2011 (schedule 9) and Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (sections 61f  
& 61g)  
Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012**

Little Hadham Parish Council, as a “relevant body”, hereby formally submits an application to East Hertfordshire District Council as the local planning authority, for the designation of a Neighbourhood Area pursuant to the preparation of a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP).

## Background

Little Hadham Parish Council at its full Council meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016 has resolved to instigate proceedings to establish a Neighbourhood Planning Group to lead on the formulation of a NDP for the Parish of Little Hadham. An application is hereby submitted under Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

The designation of the Neighbourhood Area is seen as the first formal step in the process of producing the NDP. Regulation 5 requires the submission of the following documents as part of the application:

- A. A map which identifies the area to which the application relates.
- B. A statement explaining why the area is appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area.
- C. A statement that the organisation or body making the area application is a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

## A. Neighbourhood Area Map

A map is attached showing the area to which this application relates.

## **B. Neighbourhood Area Statement**

The proposed area covers the administrative boundaries of Little Hadham Parish Council, and includes the villages and hamlets of Little Hadham [The Ashe], Hadham Ford [The Ford], Cradle End, Green Street, Bury Green, Hadham Hall, Church End, Westland Green and all of the surrounding areas within the Parish boundary.

Schedule 9 of the Localism Act 2011, and Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, state that neighbourhood areas may not overlap. There are no known overlaps with other relevant bodies promoting other neighbourhood areas.

In determining the application for designation, the local planning authority must have regard to the desirability of designating the whole of the area of a parish council as a neighbourhood and the desirability of maintaining the boundaries of already designated neighbourhood areas.

## **C. Relevant Body**

This application for designation is submitted by Little Hadham Parish Council, which is considered to be a relevant body under the terms of Section 61G (2a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

For the reasons outlined above, the proposed neighbourhood area, as shown on the attached map, is considered to be appropriate and justified. Under Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Little Hadham Parish Council is considered to be a “relevant body” for the purposes of this application. The Parish Council therefore respectfully request East Hertfordshire District Council to process this application in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Yours sincerely

**B M Evans – Parish Clerk**

# Parish of Little Hadham

