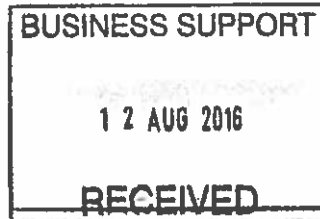


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Dear Tom,

CHURCH FENTON PARISH COUNCIL APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA

At the meeting of Church Fenton Parish Council held on 26th November 2015 the Council resolved to undertake a Neighbourhood Plan and at its meeting on 16th June 2016 agreed to seek approval for the designation of the whole of the civil parish of Church Fenton as the Neighbourhood Area.

The application is for the designation of a Neighbourhood Plan Area for the Parish Council of Church Fenton pursuant to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by the Localism Act 2011.

Church Fenton Parish Council forms the relevant body for (the purposes of section 61G(2),) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by the Localism Act 2011.

This application is in respect of the whole of the area designated as the Parish of Church Fenton as shown enclosed on the attached map and outlined in red.

The area to be designated does not overlap any other Neighbourhood Area Plan or Parish Areas.

I have attached a supplemental statement which provides more information regarding the Neighbourhood Plan proposal

Yours faithfully,

Jeremy Sherlock
Clerk Church Fenton Parish Council

CHURCH FENTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT

- 1. Area** – the proposal is for the Neighbourhood Plan boundary to be the Church Fenton Parish Council boundary which has a population of c1,290 (NYCC 2013 estimate). Church Fenton has been identified by Selby DC as a “Service Village” and the Parish Council boundary includes all village housing, adjacent rural areas, and village services such as the School, Station, Village Hall, Sports Clubs and shop. A recent government consultation has indicated that there is a view that Parish Boundaries are appropriate areas for designation, and the government are considering removing Principal Authority discretion in this area.
- 2.** In the view of the Parish Council there only possible issue is the RAF housing which fall within Ulleskelf Parish, but are generally seen as part of Church Fenton. The Council is aware that Ulleskelf are also looking to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan, and has held some initial discussions. The Council would work with Ulleskelf to ensure that the 2 plans are sensibly coordinated.
- 3. Airfield** – the Parish includes a small portion of the Airfield mainly comprising grass with a small portion of runway. No change is anticipated to the status of this area and it is anticipated that it would only be covered by any area wide generic policies. The Council also recognises that the Plan would need to be broadly in line with any strategic policies that affect the Airfield.
- 4. Focus** – the Parish Council has decided to progress a Neighbourhood Plan following a number of debates at Parish Council meetings. The Council would not wish to pre judge issues that may arise through the consultation process. However in the Council debates the need to provide allocations for development that are in line with Local Plan requirements has been recognised. However the Council is concerned that the form and quality of some recent proposals are not in keeping with the character of the village, and feel there is a need for locally defined policies that help guide future development so that they contribute to the village character. In addition there is a desire to seek to protect local services and amenities.
- 5.** Church Fenton is an area where the community feel threatened by potential major strategic developments (such as the Airfield and HS2) where there is little local control and influence. The community feels that it is appropriate that it has influence in other areas as part of mitigation for these major projects.
- 6. Information** – the Council is in the process of commissioning consultants with one of their first tasks being to evaluate current data availability. However there is a substantial amount of up to date information available through the PLANSelby process. The Parish Council will have significant knowledge regarding local services available to the community.

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