



Suffolk Coastal District Council

Neighbourhood Development Plan – Designation of a Neighbourhood Area – Consultation

FRAMLINGHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA

Representation Form:

Use this form to give us your comments on the suitability of the submitted area.

Do you think the submitted area is suitable for a Neighbourhood Development Plan?

(Please select one answer)

Yes ☐

No ☒

If no, please tell us why not and suggest an alternative boundary:

Overall I would be of the view that a tighter boundary is more appropriate and would consider a boundary drawn to a radius of 2 miles from the market hill would be more appropriate, with minor adjustment to reflect topography and/ or existing development patterns.

Any special purpose employment use could be accommodated by a discrete and separate area which need not necessarily be physically connected to the core area.

Overall the tighter area would protect the town from focussed lobbying from developers for wholly inappropriate larger schemes on green field areas whether adjacent to Framlingham or in villages like Dennington.

Do you have any further comments that you would like to make?

Obviously this is a difficult call; as too tight a boundary might cause overheating of the traditional town centre; and too wide a boundary could facilitate inappropriately widespread development.

The first point I would like to make that under local democracy the councils (parish and district) should feel free to declare to central government that the development targets are too high (whether direct

or implied) and do in fact risk destroying the unique and preserved charm of the pastoral aspects of the surrounding countryside or of the older town centre.

I am aware of the financial attraction of the New Home Bonus to local authority finances at whatever level; but short term financial expediency should not be used to justify potentially significant environmental vandalism, even if well intentioned.

The second point is that the actual scale of development should be base budgeted and definitely include affordable housing, employment use, education, heritage, some reasonable level of people moving into the town etc.

I would be prepared to support such a process as a volunteer if this helps.

Your details:

Name: Vincent Hunt

Organisation/Business (if applicable):

Address:

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How to respond:

Consultation on the Neighbourhood Area is open for eight weeks from **Friday 26 April to Friday 21 June 2013.**

Please clearly mark which Neighbourhood Area your comments relate to and return to the Planning Policy Team by one of the following methods:

- **Post:** Neighbourhood Plans, Planning Policy, Suffolk Coastal District Council , Melton Hill, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP12 1AU
- **Email:** development.policy@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk