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Dear Mrs Hanslip

Application for Designation of Kesgrave Neighbourhood Plan

I refer to the above mentioned, where this Town Council hereby formally wish to apply for designation of the neighbourhood area in respect of the Kesgrave Neighbourhood Plan. I am aware that this is required under Part 2, Paragraph 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. I am also enclosing herewith the relevant map indicating the area of the proposed neighbourhood area. You will see that the boundary for the Neighbourhood Plan should encompass Kesgrave, Rushmere St Andrew, along Playford Road to the north up to Humberdoucy Lane to the west and Bealings. Rushmere St Andrew Parish Council is in favour of this designation, as agreed at its formal Meeting on the 8th February 2016.

You will be aware that Kesgrave is a large town and therefore, fulfils a role in servicing a wide area. The outlying villages rely on Kesgrave for basic services. Careful consideration was given regarding the inclusion of neighbouring parishes.

Kesgrave has significant constraints for growth in terms of development sites and open green spaces. Currently Kesgrave Town Council works in partnership with Parish Councils in close proximity to Kesgrave for sharing and pooling of resources and services. Therefore, the parish boundary of Kesgrave needs to be adopted encompassing cross-parish boundary areas.

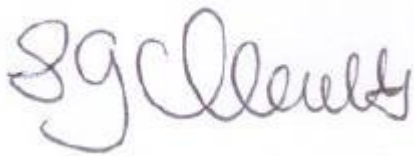
Kesgrave Town Council as defined under Schedule 9, Part 1, (Paragraph 61g sub-section 2(a) of the Localism Act 2011 is best served to include the boundaries as stated within its Neighbourhood Plan boundary area.

Clearly, it is vital that Kesgrave Town Council continues to engage fully with surrounding parishes, their respective residents and our own local residents.

Full engagement with the electorate of Kesgrave has commenced, including consultation on the proposed neighbourhood plan boundary area, where feedback has been encouraged and actively sought. Kesgrave Town Council set up a Steering Group in the early stages of considering a Neighbourhood Plan. Close liaison with other Parish and Town Councils who are at more advanced stages of this process has taken place and investigative and research work have also been carried out.

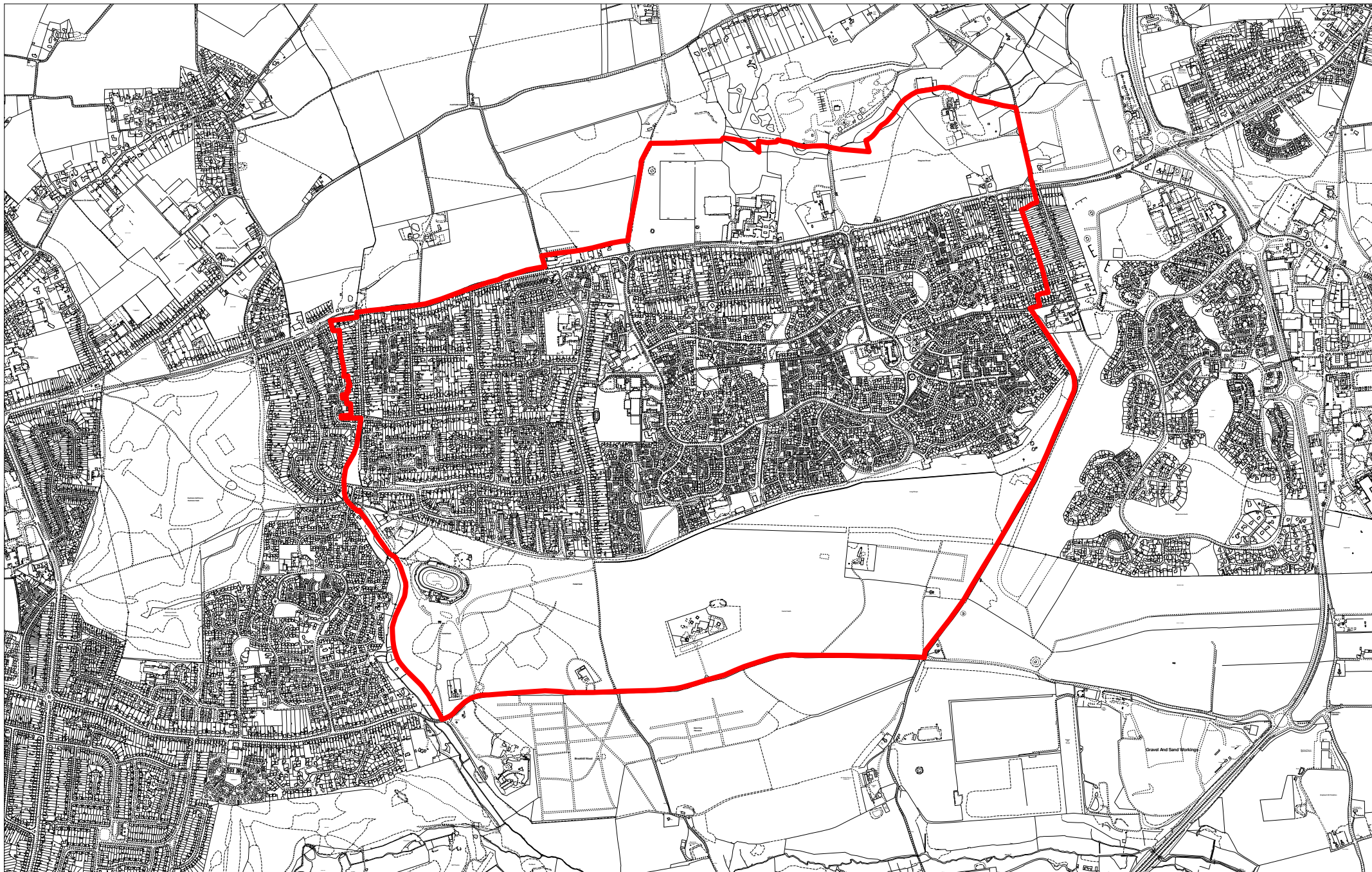
Could you please formally acknowledge safe receipt of this formal application and confirm that the statutory consultation period will now commence?

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'sgclements'.

Susan Clements
Town Clerk

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