## **Neighbourhood Area Application**

# **Decision Notice**

Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012

## Neighbourhood Area Approved

Name of Neighbourhood Area: Worlingham Neighbourhood Development Plan

Qualifying Body: Worlingham Parish Council

Application Date: 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Decision under Regulation 7 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012:

The application for the designation of the Parish of Worlingham as a Neighbourhood Area, for the purposes of neighbourhood planning is **approved**.

Date of Decision: 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

Signed:

Philip Ridley

Head of Planning and Coastal Management Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Councils

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#### Consideration

Is the organisation making the area application the relevant body under Section 61G (2) of the 1990 Act?

Yes. Worlingham Parish Council submitted the area designation application.

Has the application been submitted in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012?

Yes. The application was accompanied by a map identifying the proposed Neighbourhood Area, a statement explaining why the area is considered appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area and a statement that Worlingham Parish Council is the relevant body to make the application.

Is the Neighbourhood Area considered appropriate? Section 61G (4)

Yes. The Neighbourhood Area comprises the whole parish of Worlingham following the parish boundary. There are no other existing boundaries of areas already designated as Neighbourhood Areas.

Has the application been properly publicised?

Yes. Waveney District Council undertook a six week consultation between 9<sup>th</sup> November and 21<sup>st</sup> December 2016. The consultation was publicised on Waveney District Council's website in accordance with Regulation 6 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. Worlingham Parish Council was provided with a site notice to copy and to display in appropriate locations in the parish.

Were any comments received during the consultation period?

Yes.

#### Summary of comments received:

There were five responses to the consultation.

General advice was received from Natural England for the neighbourhood planning group to consider as the Neighbourhood Plan is developed in relation the natural environment. They did not object to the application.

General advice was received from Historic England for the neighbourhood planning group to consider in relation to heritage matters and Neighbourhood Planning. They did not object to the application.

Suffolk County Council did not object to the application and suggested a variety of issues the Neighbourhood Plan may need to consider depending on its content.

Two members of the public supported the application.

All responses to the consultation can be viewed at: - <a href="http://consult.waveney.gov.uk/consult.ti/WorlinghamNeighbourhoodArea2016/listresponses">http://consult.waveney.gov.uk/consult.ti/WorlinghamNeighbourhoodArea2016/listresponses</a>

#### Are any modifications required to the Neighbourhood Area? Section 61G (6)

No. The matters the Council is required to take into consideration at this time are: -

'The desirability of designating the whole of the area of the parish council as a Neighbourhood Area; and

The desirability of maintaining the existing boundaries of areas already designated as Neighbourhood Areas'.

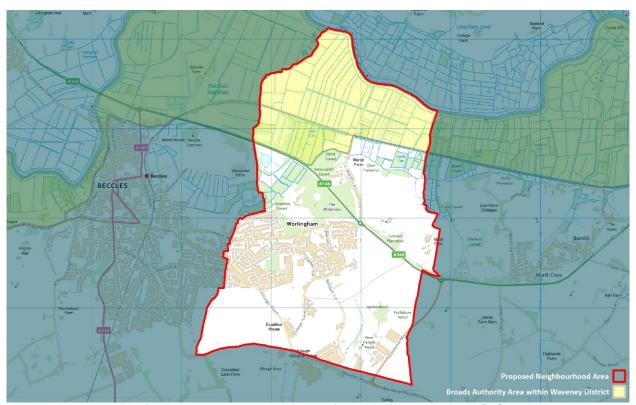
There are no reasons not to designate the whole of the area of the parish and there are no other existing boundaries of areas already designated as Neighbourhood Areas.

For the reasons set out above there are no valid reasons why Waveney District Council should not designate the Neighbourhood Area for Worlingham as submitted.

#### Recommendation:

That following consideration of the application by the Local Plan Working Group at it's meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 and the Broads Authority at their Development Control Committee held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017, consideration of their recommendations by the Head of Planning and Coastal Management in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Coastal Management, designation of the Parish of Worlingham as a Neighbourhood Area is **Approved**.

### Map of the Worlingham Neighbourhood Area



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