Neighbourhood Area Application

Determination and Decision Notice

Name of Neighbourhood Area: Halesworth Neighbourhood Development Plan
Qualifying Body: Halesworth Town Council
Application Date: 19th April 2018

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

The application for the designation of the Parish of Halesworth as a Neighbourhood Area as shown on the accompanying map, for the purposes of neighbourhood planning is Approved.

Signed: Philip Ridley
Date of Decision: 31st May 2018

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. Halesworth Town 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 Halesworth Town 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 Halesworth. There are no other existing boundaries of areas already designated as Neighbourhood Areas.

Has the application been properly publicised?

The application applies to a whole parish area only therefore there is no requirement to publicise.

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

No. As set out in the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations (2012) (as amended), the Local Planning Authority is required to designate the area where:

- the application is from a parish council;
- the area specified is whole of the parish council’s area; and
- if any part of the specified area is part of a neighbourhood area, none of that neighbourhood area extends outside the parish council’s area.

No part of the specified area has been designated a neighbourhood plan area. No part of the specified area is specified in another area application.

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

That following consideration by the Head of Planning and Coastal Management in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Coastal Management, designation of the Parish of Halesworth as a Neighbourhood Area is Approved.