

Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council



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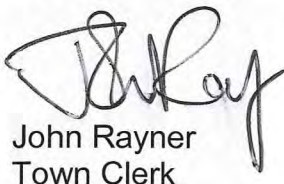
Dear Mrs Hanslip

APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA

Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council hereby formally applies for designation of the neighbourhood area in respect of Leiston-cum-Sizewell parish. This is required by Part 2, paragraph 5, of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. We provide a map showing the area to which this area application relates. This follows the parish council boundary. Careful consideration was given as to whether part or all of the neighbouring parishes should be included within the neighbourhood area. Whilst this was considered inappropriate based on the aims of the neighbourhood plan, it was resolved to ensure that the surrounding parishes and their residents would be involved as much as possible in the preparation of the plan. The reason for using the parish boundary is partly for administration purposes but largely due to the differing landscapes and expectations of the neighbouring parishes (who are almost entirely rural in nature) and the difficulty this would have caused in producing a cohesive document for future development. Many of the neighbouring parishes, not just the immediately adjacent ones, are frequent users of the services and the facilities available in Leiston however and many are also very involved in the business and employment landscape of the town. The process of drawing up the plan will involve everyone with an interest in Leiston and will concentrate on the main headings of housing, employment (and business), youth, infrastructure and the town centre.

Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council is the relevant body authorised to act in relation to this proposed neighbourhood area, as defined by Schedule 9, Part 1 (paragraph 61G, sub-section 2(a)) of the Localism Act 2011.

Yours sincerely



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