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Dear Nick,

**Application for the designation of the Lakes Estate Neighbourhood Plan**

Further to our letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> August 2012, we wish to re-submit our application for the area shown on the revised map (attached).

It was agreed at our Full Council held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2012 that Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council are to proceed with the application to Milton Keynes Council for the Lakes Estate Neighbourhood Plan.

The Lakes Estate is a development of some 2,000 homes located on the southern edge of the Milton Keynes urban area in Water Eaton. The estate was the last London 'overspill' estate to be built in Bletchley, with development beginning there in 1968 and being completed by 1975. The Lakes Estate is one of Milton Keynes Council's priority regeneration areas and has been the focus of several regeneration programmes aimed at the social, human and economic regeneration of the area.

A Neighbourhood Action Plan for the estate has already been produced by the multi-agency and resident led Lakes Regeneration Steering Group. Milton Keynes Council as the principal landowner and landlord within the area has now initiated the Lakes Estate Renewal Project which is undertaking the CESP programme.

In 2011 the Lakes Estate Steering Group applied to DCLG (Dept for Communities and Local Government) to be part of the Neighbourhood Planning Vanguard Scheme at which they were successful, as they recognise that the next stage for Lakes Estate is physical renewal and development.

As the relevant body (section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act) and in accordance with the requirements of regulation 5 we now submit our application for the area shown on the map (attached), to be designated as a Neighbourhood Plan area by the Local Planning Authority.

As you are aware, the Lakes Estate Steering Group, which includes local stakeholders established the Lakes Estate Task and Finish Group to oversee the project and this will continue.

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Courtney  
Town Clerk