

<b>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING OFFICER DECISION</b>			
<b>DECISION REQUIRED</b> <i>(please tick one box)</i>			
Designate a Neighbourhood Forum		Agree comments on a pre-submission plan	
Designate a Neighbourhood Area	X	Agree comments on a submitted plan	
Whether to accept and publicise a Submitted Plan		Agree the appointment of an Examiner	
Whether to decline or accept a repeat proposal		Agree actions to take following an Examiner's report	
Whether to modify a Plan or Order			
<b>LOCATION/ PARISH</b>			
		<b>Wolverton and Greenleys</b>	
<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>			
		<b>19<sup>th</sup> December 2019</b>	
<b>DEADLINE FOR DECISION</b> <i>(where Regs require this)</i>			
		<b>As soon as possible</b>	
<b>LEAD OFFICER</b>			
		<b>David Blandamer</b>	
<b>ISSUES/COMMENTS</b> <i>(including details of any consultations undertaken and any comments received)</i>			
<p>Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council has applied to amend the boundary of the Wolverton Neighbourhood Area to correspond with the entire parish area of Wolverton &amp; Greenleys.</p> <p>Under the amendments made to the T&amp;CP Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations, 2012 effected by the Neighbourhood Planning (General) and Development Management Procedure (Amendment) Regulations 2016, there is no longer a requirement to publicise area designation applications if the area specified in the application encompasses the entire Parish area. In such cases, the Regulations state that designations must be made as soon as possible, once the Authority is satisfied that the application is valid and complete. This is the case with the Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council application.</p> <p>When determining an area application, the Council is required to consider how desirable it is to designate the whole of the Parish Area as a Neighbourhood Area, and to maintain the existing boundaries of areas already designated as Neighbourhood Areas; and to consider whether it is appropriate to designate the area as a business area in accordance with Section 61G and H of the Town and Country Planning Act (TCPA) 1990.</p> <p>Officers are satisfied that the Wolverton and Greenleys Parish area represents a coherent, consistent and appropriate area for the purpose of neighbourhood planning. Whilst there are employment areas and Wolverton town centre within the neighbourhood area, the overriding character of the area as a whole is residential. Consequently, it is not considered appropriate to designate the area as a business area under Section 61H of the Act.</p> <p>It is therefore recommended that the neighbourhood area for Wolverton and Greenleys is designated.</p>			
<b>BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:</b> <i>(insert hyperlink to files on L drive)</i>			
<a href="#">\\Mkc\dfs01\Shared\Planning\Development Plans\Localism Act\Neighbourhood Plans from non frontrunners\Wolverton &amp; Greenleys NP\Neighbourhood Area Designation</a>			

**DECISION TAKEN: Wolverton and Greenleys Neighbourhood Area designation approved.**

**SIGNED:**

*T. Darke*

Tracy Darke, Director Growth, Economy and Culture

**DATE: 8 January 2020**