

RECORD OF DECISION

Date on which decision was taken: 26th February 2021

Name and title of decision making officer: Matthew Tubb – Senior Planner – Planning Policy

Record of decision taken (including reasons):

Winthorpe with Langford Parish Council submitted an application, under regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), to designate the Parish in its entirety as a 'Neighbourhood Area' for the purposes of Neighbourhood Planning on the 4th November 2020. Delegated authority to deal with applications for Neighbourhood Areas has now been handed to Officers from the Economic Development Committee.

Accompanying the application is a statement explaining why the proposed Neighbourhood Area is an appropriate area- namely that the Neighbourhood Area is synonymous with Winthorpe with Langford Parish, and that the Parish Council are the relevant body under Section 61G of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act.

Where a Parish Council applies for the whole Parish area to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area then legislation requires this should form the extent of the proposed designation. For Neighbourhood Area applications made by a Parish Council and covering the whole of the Parish area there is no longer any need to carry out consultation prior to its designation. Should the application be valid, and some or all of the area has not yet been designated, then the Neighbourhood Area must be subsequently designated.

The extent of the Neighbourhood Area is consistent with legislative provisions, and the application submitted is valid. It is therefore confirmed that Winthorpe with Langford Parish (see attached plan) has been designated as a Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of Neighbourhood Planning. This means that the Parish Council can formally begin the plan making process.

Details of alternative options, if any, considered and rejected:

The application met legislative requirements so this was not necessary.

Names of any Member of the Council who has declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision*

N/A

*only applies where decision making officer is taking a decision under a specific express authorisation.