



## The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

### Designation of the Bures Neighbourhood Plan Area

**Dated: 25 November 2021**

To prepare a Neighbourhood Plan, the first formal stage is to designate the plan area. The 'qualifying body' (the relevant Parish or Town Council) must apply to relevant local planning authority to designate the neighbourhood area, stating its reasons why it wishes to prepare such a plan and submitting a map of the proposed area.

Babergh District Council and Braintree District Council received a joint application from Bures St Mary Parish Council and Bures Hamlet Parish Council to designate these two parishes as a single Neighbourhood Plan Area on 6 July 2021. The application was made under Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations.

In accordance with Regulation 6, which requires that all multi-parish area applications are consulted on, comments were invited from both statutory consultees and those who live, work and carry on business in the area between 1 September and 15 October 2021. During this period, nine responses were received but none of these raised any significant or material objection.

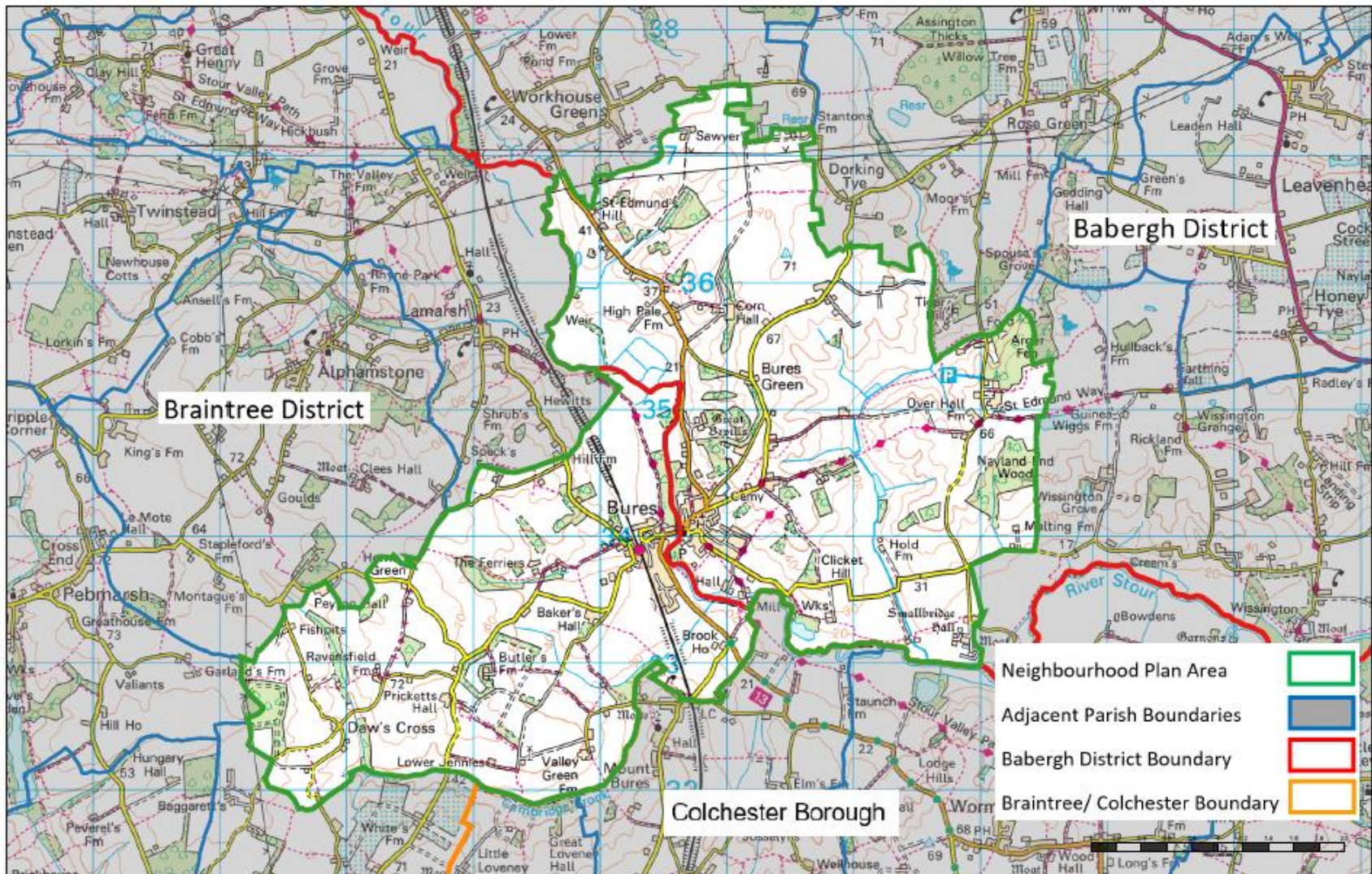
Therefore, and in accordance with Regulation 7 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations, Babergh District Council via delegated decision, and Braintree District Council at its meeting of the Local Plan Sub-Committee of the 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021, hereby designate that part of the application area which falls within their district. Consequently, the whole of the Bures Neighbourhood Plan area is designated.

A map of the plan area and copies of the representations received follow.

To follow the progress of this Neighbourhood Plan, please visit the following website:

- <https://www.braintree.gov.uk/planning-building-control/neighbourhood-planning/14>
- [www.babergh.gov.uk/BuresNP](http://www.babergh.gov.uk/BuresNP)

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**Bures Neighbourhood Plan Area**

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## Respondents on the Bures Neighbourhood Plan Area Designation Consultation

Listed below are the organisations / individuals who submitted a written representation. The table also briefly summarises what further action, if any, needs to be undertaken by the two District Council as they work with the Bures NP Group going forwards.

Respondent	Brief note / summary from both Local Planning Authorities
Essex County Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The important role of ECC as an infrastructure provider etc. is noted, as is the helpful link to their NP Information Guide. [Nb: The same role is undertaken by Suffolk County Council, who have also published an NP Information Guide, a link to which will be forwarded to the Bures NP Group]</li> <li>Noted that, to be in general conformity, this NP will have to consider two distinct sets of local plan policy documents</li> <li>Note also the information set out on the Bramford to Twinstead NSIP and the Dedham Vale AONB &amp; Stour Valley Extension</li> </ul>
Little Cornard Parish Council	No further action required.
Natural England	Copy of letter sent to NP Group. No further action required at this stage.
Historic England	Copy of letter sent to NP Group. No further action required at this stage.
Highways England	No further action required.
Suffolk CCG	Noted that the NP will straddles two different Clinical Commissioning Group areas and that their respective planning departments are already engaging with each other on relevant matters. The Bures NP Group will be asked to ensure that they maintain an appropriate dialogue with both the West Suffolk CCG and Mid Essex CCG. Otherwise, no further action required at this stage.
NHS	No further action required.
Mr J Firth	Copy of response sent to NP Group. No further action required at this stage.
Mr R Firth	Copy of response sent to NP Group. No further action required at this stage.
Mr & Mrs Petre	Support for the NP noted. No further action required at this stage.

Full details of the consultation responses can be found at:

<https://braintree.cmis.uk.com/braintree/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/Meeting/1028/Committee/6/Default.aspx>