



NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA DESIGNATION NOTICE

HITCHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Babergh District Council received an application from Hitcham Parish Council (the 'Relevant Body') to designate the whole of the parish as a Neighbourhood Plan Area on the 7 January 2020.

The application was made under Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended). A copy of the application and a map which identifies the area to which this relates can be found on the District Council website at:

<https://www.babergh.gov.uk/HitchamNP>

Regulation 5A states that ... “where (1)(a) a local planning authority receives an area application from a parish council” *and* (1)(b) the area specified in the application consists of the whole of the parish council’s area, (2) the local planning authority must exercise their powers under section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to designate the specified area as a neighbourhood area.”

Regulations 6 and 6A relating to publicising an area application do not apply in this instance. Therefore, in accordance with Regulation 5A (2) and 7 (1) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) Babergh District Council hereby give notice that it has designated the parish of Hitcham as a Neighbourhood Area in order to facilitate the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan by the Parish Council.

Tom Barker

Assistant Director - Planning for Growth
Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Council

Dated: 20 January 2020

Application to Designate a Neighbourhood Plan Area

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Publication of applications on the Babergh / Mid Suffolk District Council websites:

Please note that the information provided on this application form may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact: communityplanning@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk

* Indicates a mandatory field

1. Town / Parish Clerk details	
* Title	Mrs
* First Name	Doreen
* Last Name	Neun
* Prop name / no.	██████████
* Address 1	██████████
* Address 2	
* Address 3	
* Town	Hitcham
* County	██████
* Postcode	██████
* Email	parishcouncil@hitchamsuffolk.org.uk

2. Additional contact (if different)	
Title	Mr
First Name	James
Last Name	Morgan
Prop' name or no.	██████████
Address 1	██████████
Address 2	
Address 3	
Town	Hitcham
County	██████
Postcode	██████
Email:	████████████████████

3. Relevant body:

Please confirm that you are the relevant body to undertake neighbourhood planning in your area in accordance with section 61G of the 1990 Act and section 5C of the 2012 Regulations.

Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

* District: Babergh District Council

If 'Adjacent LA / Parish has been selected please provide details

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4. Name of the Neighbourhood Area:

Please give a name which your neighbourhood area will be formally known: *

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5. Extent of the area:

Please indicate below the intended extent of the area: *

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Whole parish boundary area
<input type="checkbox"/>	Part of the parish
<input type="checkbox"/>	Joint with neighbouring parish

Reminder: Your application needs to be accompanied by an OS plan showing the area. We can produce this for you so please ask if you have not already done so.

Would you like our assistance producing an OS plan? (if you haven't already been provided with one) (*Already have one*)

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

To satisfy Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, a statement is required to explain why the proposed neighbourhood plan area is considered appropriate in order for it to be designated. Please provide a statement below that explains why you consider the extent of the neighbourhood area appropriate *

Whilst the village centre is somewhat more developed than the other parts of the parish, the remainder of the area consists of occasional small groups of houses amidst fields, so the parish is quite uniform in the issues which need to be considered. Apart from farming which remains important throughout the parish, there is no other sizable industry or the likelihood of any. We have therefore concluded that for the purposes of producing the neighbourhood development plan the parish should be considered as a whole.
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6. Intention of Neighbourhood Area:

Please indicate which of the following you intend to undertake within your neighbourhood area: *

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Neighbourhood Development Plan
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neighbourhood Development Order
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Right to Build Order

Please provide support for your choice below. For example, which parish and community meeting has the above choice been discussed at? Are the community aware of what is being proposed and why? Do the community support the choice selected? *

Neighbourhood Development Plan – the Parish Council is about to start a detailed consultation with the village but so far discussions with local residents and businesses have indicated that the issues facing the village are those which are best addressed through the more comprehensive process of producing a neighbourhood development plan. Once the consultation process is under way we will review this decision to confirm it remains appropriate.

7. Adjoining parish clerk details (multi-parish area):

If you are applying with an adjoining parish or parishes please give the clerk's details for each parish:

Not relevant

8. Declaration:

I/we hereby apply to designate a neighbourhood area as described on this form and the accompanying plan.

Name(s) *	James Morgan (Hitcham Parish Councilor) Doreen Neun (Parish Clerk acting on behalf of Hitcham Parish Council)
Date (dd/mm/yy) *	07/01/2020

