



13 November 2018

Mr Paul Clarke
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Dear Paul

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 The Neighbourhood Planning
(General) Regulation 2012

We are writing to you to request the designation of a Neighbourhood Area under Section 61 of the above Act. This application is made by the prospective Gresham Neighbourhood Forum, which is capable of being a qualifying body within the terms of Section 61.

The prospective Neighbourhood Forum Plan Committee is comprised of 21 or more people living, working or acting as elected members in the area. The membership is drawn from different places in the area and different sections of the community.

The enclosed Application for Neighbourhood Forum Status document (Appendix 1) shows those people who have, as of this date, volunteered to be a member of the Neighbourhood Forum Committee. All of those who have volunteered to be on the committee either live or work in the defined area. The membership of the committee comprises people of a variety of ages and experience. They include both current employed, self-employed, unemployed and retired residents. All have in common an active interest in improving our local community.

Our Committee members have been informed of the implications and requirements of the Neighbourhood Plan and have willingly accepted involvement. We feel that the commitment of our members and the diverse knowledge, experience and professionalism is sufficiently comprehensive to engage with the requirements of the Middlesbrough Local Plan.

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The group has developed a written constitution for the Neighbourhood Forum's formation, Appendix 5.

Having considered the options for the Neighbourhood Area, we envisage the area indicated on the enclosed map to be designated.

Gresham Neighbourhood Forum wishes to encompass the whole of the former Gresham Ward as we consider this to be appropriate for designation as a neighbourhood area as shown in Appendix 2. This mirrors the area covered by the Newport Community Forum (Community Council).

At a meeting of the Newport Community Forum held on 12th July the meeting unanimously agreed that they would like to be involved in this initiative and that Streets Ahead for Information should be the organisation to take the lead on the development of the Neighbourhood Plan (see appendices 3 and 4), due to their reputation and track record within the area. We feel that Streets Ahead for Information meets the requirements outlined for a 'relevant body' as it has vast experience of working in and developing relationships across the whole of the proposed area.

We ask for formal recognition of our group as an organisation dedicated to sustain and improve the local Gresham area and immediate neighbourhood within the remit of the Localism Act and to further the formation of the Middlesbrough Council Local Plan.

Yours sincerely



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