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Nicola Smith – Chief Officer for Growth and Investment,
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5th July 2023

Dear Nicola,

Re: Neighbourhood Plan for Newton and Biggin Parish – application for designation as Neighbourhood Area

I am writing to inform you that Newton and Biggin Parish Council has taken the decision to develop a Neighbourhood Plan and we are therefore applying for the Parish to be designated as a 'Neighbourhood Area' in accordance with Part 2 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

We can confirm that Newton and Biggin Parish Council is a relevant body for the purposes of Section 61G of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act which specifically includes Parish Councils.

The area to be covered by the Neighbourhood Plan is the whole of the Parish of Newton and Biggin. A map confirming the area to be designated is attached. It is considered that the entire Parish is appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area as it is self-contained, has meaningful boundaries and is generally meaningful and coherent for policy making purposes.

We trust that this matter will be dealt with in a timely manner. As you are aware, planning Practice Guidance states 'In certain circumstances, the local planning authority must designate all of the area applied for. These circumstances are where a parish council applies for the whole of their parish to be designated' (Paragraph: 035 Reference ID: 41-035-20161116). Please can you advise me if this process is likely to take longer than a few days.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information and I look forward to working with the Borough Council and other partners in its development.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Barry,
Clerk - Newton and Biggin Parish Council.