

Stradbroke Neighbourhood Area Designation Application Responses

September 2014

In order to prepare a neighbourhood plan, the first formal stage is to designate the Neighbourhood Area (see Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012). The ‘qualifying body’ (the town or parish council) has to apply to Mid Suffolk District Council to designate a neighbourhood area, stating its reasons and submit a map of the proposed area.

Mid Suffolk District Council received an application from Stradbroke Parish Council to designate a Neighbourhood Area to enable the production of a Neighbourhood Plan. A statutory consultation as set out in the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 sections 5 – 8, was undertaken by Mid Suffolk District Council between 23rd July until 4pm on 10th September 2014 (allowing for a one week extension agreed to accommodate an adjoining Parish Council’s meeting and parish magazine publication). The following comments were received:

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07/09/14	Alex Pullen, Parish Clerk	Wilby Parish Council	The council members considered the proposal and have no objections	N								
03/09/14	James Cutting	Suffolk County Council	<p>Thank you for consulting Suffolk County Council on the matter of designating a neighbourhood plan area for a future Stradbroke Neighbourhood Plan. The County Council has no objection to the area as proposed in your letter dated 22 April. However, as the plan is developed, appropriate consideration will need to be given to the impacts of proposals on other parishes in the locality.</p> <p>The Plan may or may not impact on County Council service responsibilities, depending on what the Parish Council is seeking to achieve. If the Plan is likely to impact on any of the County Council’s services, such as transport or education (in particular), we would welcome the opportunity to discuss the Parish Council’s proposals. Relevant County Council services include:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="898 1185 1682 1316"> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="898 1185 1290 1219">Highways and transport</td> <td data-bbox="1290 1185 1682 1219">Education (incl. pre-schools)</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="898 1219 1290 1252">Surface Water Management</td> <td data-bbox="1290 1219 1682 1252">Social Care</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="898 1252 1290 1286">Archaeology</td> <td data-bbox="1290 1252 1682 1286">Fire and rescue</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="898 1286 1290 1316">Libraries</td> <td data-bbox="1290 1286 1682 1316">Waste Infrastructure</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Please contact me or my colleague Robert Feakes via the contact details above, if we can be of assistance.</p>	Highways and transport	Education (incl. pre-schools)	Surface Water Management	Social Care	Archaeology	Fire and rescue	Libraries	Waste Infrastructure	N
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27/08/14	Rachel Bowden	Natural England	<p>Natural England is a statutory consultee in neighbourhood planning. We must be consulted on draft Neighbourhood Development Plans where the Town/Parish Council or Neighbourhood Forum considers our interests would be affected by the proposals. We must be consulted on draft Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders where proposals are likely to affect a Site of Special Scientific Interest or 20 hectares or more of Best and Most Versatile agricultural land. We must also be consulted on Strategic Environmental Assessments, Habitats Regulations Assessment screening and Environmental Impact Assessments, where these are required. Your local planning authority will be able to advise you further on environmental requirements.</p> <p>The following is offered as general advice which may be of use in the preparation of your plan. Natural England, together with the Environment Agency, English Heritage and Forestry Commission has published joint advice on neighbourhood planning which sets out sources of environmental information and ideas on incorporating the environment into plans and development proposals. This is available at: http://publications.environment-agency.gov.uk/PDF/GEHO0212BWAZ-E-E.pdf</p> <p>Local environmental record centres hold a range of information on the natural environment. A list of local records centre is available at: http://www.nbn-nfbr.org.uk/nfbr.php</p>	<p>General advice is provided which has been forwarded to Stradbroke Parish Council. No further action required.</p>
05/08/14	David Grech	English Heritage	<p>No objection to this designation. A preliminary desktop study of the area covered by the proposed Neighbourhood Plan has shown the parish includes a number of designated heritage assets including Stradbroke Conservation Area which includes a significant number of listed buildings. There are primarily located along New Street, Queen Street, and Church Street and include the Grade II* listed Church of All Saints plus a number of other</p>	<p>Copy of letter forwarded to the Parish Council. No further action required.</p>

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			<p>buildings, again mainly listed at Grade II, but Broad End Farmhouse in the east of the parish and Hill House Farmhouse in the northwest of the parish are both listed at Grade II*. In line with national planning policy, it will be important that the strategy for this area safeguards those elements which contribute to the significant of these assets so that they can be enjoyed by future generations of the area.</p> <p>We consider that the planning team and historic buildings conservation officer at Mid Suffolk District Council will be best placed to assist the parish in the development of their Neighbourhood Plan and, in particular, how the strategy might address the area's heritage assets. Consequently, we do not consider that there is a need for English Heritage to be involved in the development of this plan, but we would welcome the opportunity to comment on a draft in due course.</p> <p>Furthermore, we would recommend that the Parish consult the Historic Environment Record to gain advice on designated heritage assets and archaeological matters, together with locally-important buildings, archaeological remains and landscapes. Some historic Environment Records may be available on-line via the Heritage Gateway (www.heritagegateway.org.uk). It may also be useful for the parish to involve local voluntary groups such as the local Civic Society or local historic groups in the production of their Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>To this end information of our website might be of initial assistance: http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/caring/get-involved/improve-your-neighbourhood/</p> <p>The Parish Council may also find the advice in "Planning for the Environment at the Neighbourhood Level" useful. In the event that the area application is successful, please provide the Parish Council with a copy of this letter.</p>	

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23/07/14	Sue Bull	Anglian Water	Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal. Whilst I do not have any comment to make at this area designation stage, I would welcome the opportunity to comment on later consultations should the plan progress to a draft.	N

As no material objections were received, using delegated powers, the Head of Economy can designate the Stradbroke Neighbourhood Area to allow the community's plan to proceed to the next stage.