

# Wanborough Parish Council

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25<sup>th</sup> November 2013

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Application to Designate a Neighbourhood Area – Wanborough Parish Council**

Please find enclosed Wanborough Parish Council's application to designate a neighbourhood area.

Yours faithfully



Angela Raymond  
Clerk to Wanborough Parish Council

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**Application to Designate a Neighbourhood Area for Parish and Town Councils  
Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Localism Act 2011 and Neighbourhood Planning  
(General) Regulations 2012**

Please note, before completing this form, it is important to refer to Swindon Borough Council's Neighbourhood Planning Protocol. The Protocol is, available online at [www.swindon.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning](http://www.swindon.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning) and is also available to view at the Swindon Borough Council One-Stop Shop Reception Desk at Wat Tyler House during normal office hours.

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 the planning department.

**Where do I send the completed forms?**

Please return all completed forms to: [forwardplanning@swindon.gov.uk](mailto:forwardplanning@swindon.gov.uk) or Planning Service, Swindon Borough Council, 5th Floor, Wat Tyler House West, Beckhampton Street, Swindon, SN1 2JH.

**For further information**

For Additional Information and assistance please refer to [www.swindon.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning](http://www.swindon.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning) or contact the Planning Policy Team on (01793) 466513 or email [forwardplanning@swindon.gov.uk](mailto:forwardplanning@swindon.gov.uk)

**What happens next?**

As soon as reasonably practical after receiving an application the Borough Council will publicise the application and the relevant information on the Swindon Borough Council website and in any other way that is appropriate for public comment for 6 weeks. You will then be contacted on the above details on the response.

**Please fill in the form in Black Ink and Block Capitals**

**1. Details**

Name of Proposed Neighbourhood Area: WANBOROUGH

Lead Contact Details

*(Please Note as advised above; the Lead Contact Details i.e. names and address will be made public)*

Name: ANGELA RAYMOND, CLERK

Address: 15 SPRINGLINES

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Email: WANBOROUGHPC@BTINTERNET.COM Tel No: 01793 / 791904

**2. 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

No

Name of Parish/Town Council: WANBOROUGH

**3. Extent of the area:**

Please indicate below and attach an OS plan showing the intended extent of the area.

Whole parish/town boundary area:

Part of the parish:

**Please provide a map to show the boundary of the application** – this should be on an Ordnance Survey base at a suitable scale with the boundary drawn in a single red line, with appropriate OS Copyright and a North Arrow. *(If necessary the Borough Council can supply a blank map)*

4. **Additional Joint Parishes** – is the Neighbourhood area going to cover more than one Parish or Forum

a) Yes

b) No

If the response to Question 4 was 'Yes', please list and provide additional contact details

Name of Parish	Contact Name	Contact Address	Contact Email and / or Telephone number

5. **Please attach a statement explaining why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area**

*Please provide information on the desired outcomes from the Neighbourhood Area. For example,*

- *What are the key issues in your area?*
- *What are the aims and purpose of the Area?*
- *If preparing a Neighbourhood Plan, please set out reasons why it is more appropriate than a Parish / Community Plan*
- *If it is a joint plan working with another Parish, Please set out your reasons why this is appropriate.*

6. **Intention of the Neighbourhood Area** – Please indicate the following you intend to undertake within your Neighbourhood area.

a) Neighbourhood Development Plan

b) Neighbourhood Development Order

c) Community Right to Build

**7. Declaration:**

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

Signed:           AJ Raymond          

Dated:           12/11/13          

Print Name:           ANGELA RAYMOND





Map not to scale

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# Wanborough Neighbourhood Plan area:

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**Statement explaining why this area is considered appropriate to be designated as a neighbourhood area.**

The purpose of the “Wanborough Neighbourhood plan” is to improve the local area and take an active role in shaping the future of the area in which we live. We will be creative in finding ways to maintain and improve conservation, local services and our amenities, by utilising local skills and knowledge. We would also ensure that development is in line with local needs and would be able to identify the specific site or broad location as well as size, type and design of new development.

Wanborough Parish Council intends to develop a ‘Neighbourhood Plan’ to cover a majority of our mainly rural parish but specifically excluding land to the North of the Lyden Brook which has been considered for some time to form the Southernmost boundary of the proposed ‘Eastern Villages’ housing development as proposed within the emerging (but as yet unexamined) Local Plan.

We believe that it is appropriate that the proposed urban area to the North of the Lyden Brook and East of the A419/Covingham is given the opportunity to develop its own community identity as it grows (if and when it is built).

In the latter stages of planning for the 8,000 home Eastern Villages development a proposal was made without consultation to include Redlands Farm and Airfield (to the South of the Lyden Brook) for a small scale housing scheme to solve difficulties for the Borough Council with its existing use for Skydiving and Microlights.

The Parish Council oppose large scale development of this site but are supportive of a small scale (30-40 home development – or similar in scale) *as proposed by the Eastern Villages Draft supplementary Planning Document* to form a hamlet within the previously identified RURAL BUFFER which protects the village of Wanborough from coalescence with the new housing developments. The rural buffer should promote a sense of place for both the development and the new developments which will share the proposed plan boundary.

The Lyden Brook is a particularly defensible line as it is a river course with wide areas both sides susceptible to flooding and which provides a visual gap between the urban form to be built to the North and the more loosely grouped housing on Wanborough’s edge.

Historically the village has evolved with a number of hamlets on the periphery in the rural hinterlands, namely ‘Horpit’ and ‘The Marsh’ to the North which are primarily individual, well-spaced homes with some rural enterprises including arable and dairy farming, equestrian enterprises, alpaca farming and some small business units. To the South of the village is the hamlet of Foxhill which has some housing, the large PGL ‘Liddington’ outward bound centre (despite the name this is entirely within Wanborough Parish) and is a major employer and the Foxhill Motocross site which is used for motocross events.

We have included the areas to the Parish Boundary in the South to ensure that its location within the AONB and with the historic Ridgeway trail running through it are respected but that also rural enterprise and rural employment is encouraged and nurtured through the planning process.