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Dear Mr Baker

CROWTHORNE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA

I have been instructed to notify you that Crowthorne Parish Council wishes to apply for the designation of the Parish of Crowthorne as a Neighbourhood Area under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Crowthorne Parish Council qualifies as the relevant body to make this application as defined within section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Crowthorne Parish Council duly debated this matter during the meeting of full Council held on 1 March 2016 and it was unanimously resolved to submit an application to Bracknell Forest Council to designate a Neighbourhood Area as defined by the Crowthorne Parish Boundary.

I have attached a map identifying the extent of the proposed Neighbourhood Area, namely the Parish of Crowthorne which includes the Wellington element of Little Sandhurst.

Designating the whole Parish as a Neighbourhood Area is considered appropriate as: -

- 1) The Southern Boundary 'Crowthorne South' borders on the area designated by Sandhurst as their neighbourhood and includes Wellington College and some listed buildings. Representation from Wellington College will be included on the Working Group.
- 2) The Western Boundary borders Wokingham Without Parish which is governed by Wokingham Borough Council. However, because of the nature of this boundary it is intended that representation from Wokingham Without Parish Council will be included on the Working Group.

- 3) The Northern and North East boundaries border Bracknell Town Council and Winkfield Parish Council and include parts of the SPA and Crown Estate Land. It is intended that the Neighbourhood Plan will include policies on the use of open spaces within the Crowthorne Parish boundary.
- 4) Within the proposed neighbourhood area there are a number of sites designated within the Site Allocations Local Plan (SALP) for development (i.e.) TRL, Broadmoor and parts of Dukes Ride. The Neighbourhood Plan proposes to ensure all future development fits in with the existing characteristics of these areas and the wider Crowthorne community.
- 5) It is intended that the Neighbourhood Plan will include policies on the continued separation of the settlement boundaries and the provision of leisure facilities as identified as a requirement from an earlier resident consultation.

A Working Group, which includes representatives of both Crowthorne Parish Council and the community has been formed. The Working Group has met to discuss the process of creating a Neighbourhood Plan with a view to developing a locally specific policy framework, which other interested parties i.e. stakeholder groups will also have an opportunity to influence.

I understand you will be undertaking a consultation as part of this process and look forward to receiving the details in due course.

Yours sincerely

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