

## Planning Services

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23 March 2022

Dear Nigel Warner,

### **Decision regarding the designation of Abingdon as a Neighbourhood Area under Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended.**

This letter confirms that on 2 March 2022, the Head of Policy and Programmes at Vale of White Horse District Council, designated the area shown on Map 1 below as the 'Abingdon Neighbourhood Area'.

This designation has been made for the purposes of preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan by Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council under section 61G(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended. It was decided not to designate the area as a business area under section 61H(1) of the Act, as it is not primarily or wholly business in nature.

As part of the Radley Neighbourhood Plan Area was located within the parish of Abingdon-on-Thames, the designation of the Abingdon Neighbourhood Area boundary required the Radley Neighbourhood Area boundary to be modified.

Section 61G(6D) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 sets out that a modification under subsection (6) of a designation already made does not affect the continuation in force of a neighbourhood development plan even though as a result of the modification—

- (a) it no longer relates to a neighbourhood area, or
- (b) it relates to more than one neighbourhood area.

This means the Abingdon Neighbourhood Area does not affect the continuation in force of the Radley Neighbourhood Plan, even though as a result of the modification it now relates to two neighbourhood areas. Therefore, the policies of the made Radley Neighbourhood Plan will continue to apply to the area in question until such a time as the Abingdon Neighbourhood Plan is made.

The relevant designation information is set out below:

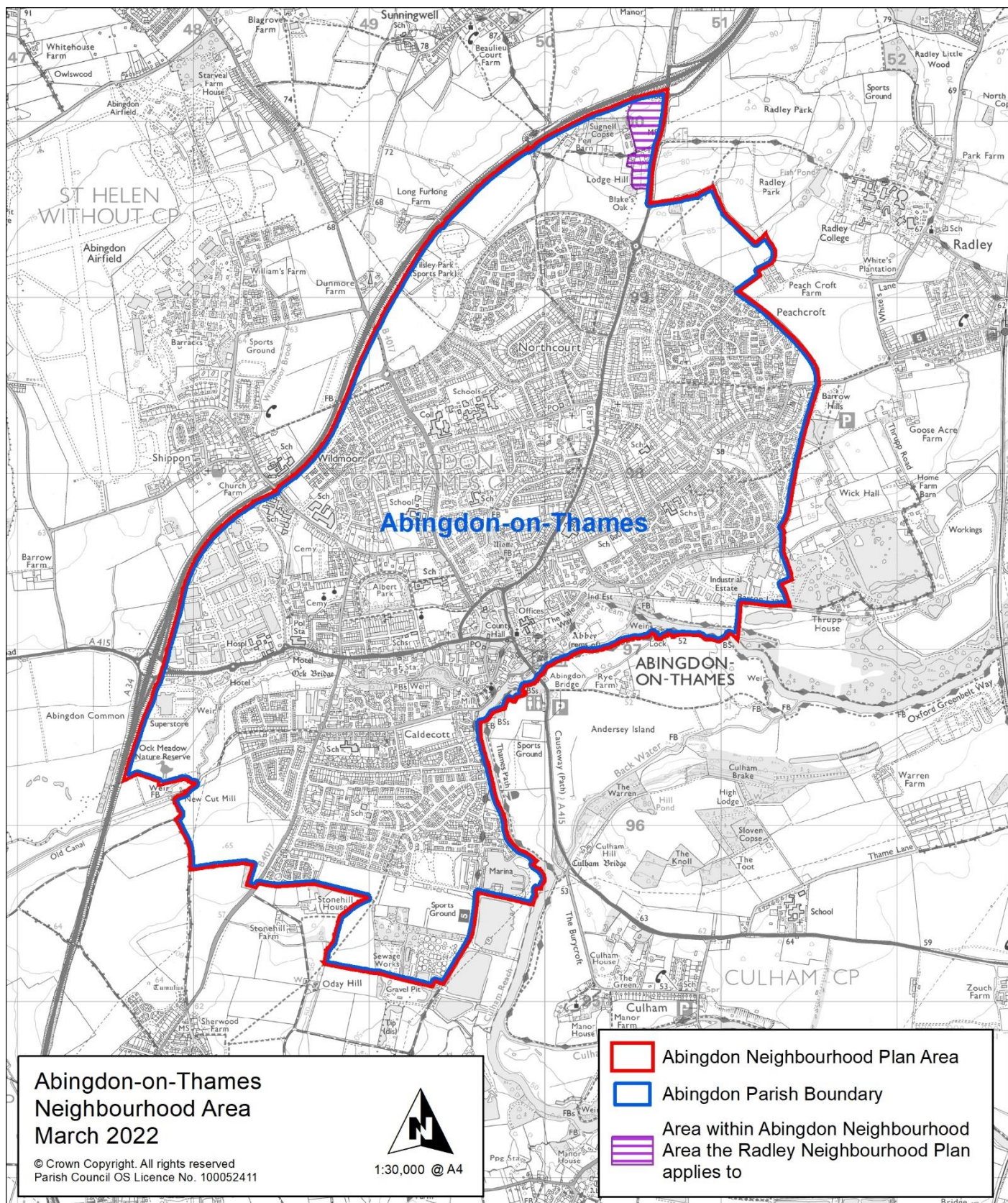
- a) Name of neighbourhood area: Abingdon Neighbourhood Area
- b) Map of neighbourhood area included below
- c) Relevant body: Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council
- d) The area designation application as submitted is available in Appendix 1

Yours sincerely,

*DBryson*

**Deborah Bryson**  
Senior Planning Policy Officer (Neighbourhood)




**Map 1: Designated Abingdon Neighbourhood Area**



**Abingdon-on-Thames  
Neighbourhood Area  
March 2022**

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-  Abingdon Neighbourhood Plan Area
-  Abingdon Parish Boundary
-  Area within Abingdon Neighbourhood  
Area the Radley Neighbourhood Plan  
applies to

# Neighbourhood Planning Area Designation Application Form



Application to designate a Neighbourhood Area  
Town and Country Planning Act 1990  
Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012



## 1. Single point of contact regarding the Neighbourhood Plan

Title:  First Name:  Surname:   
 Address:   
 Postcode:  Telephone:   
 Email:

## 2. Parish clerk details (if different from those above)

Title:  First Name:  Surname:   
 Address:   
 Postcode:  Telephone:   
 Email:

## 3. 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  YES No

Name of Relevant Body:

Note: in areas covered by a town or parish council, the town or parish council is the relevant body. For applications covering more than one parish area, please nominate a lead parish to act as the Relevant Body. If your area is not covered by a parish council (only a parish meeting), please contact the Planning Policy Team before making your application.

## 4. Extent of area

Please attach an OS plan showing the extent of the proposed Neighbourhood Area and indicate below the relationship of the proposed area to parish boundaries. For further information about obtaining OS maps please see note 1.

Proposed area covers the whole of a single parish boundary area:  YES

Proposed area covers part of a single parish boundary area:

Proposed area covers multiple parish boundary areas:

## 5. Applications covering more than one parish area:

If your application area covers more than one parish area, please list the parishes covered by the area application, the extent of the parish included and obtain consent from the parish by getting them to sign below:

Name Town/Parish Council	Extent of parish included in Neighbourhood Area	Name and Position	Authorising Signature
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

By signing this form your Parish Council is agreeing to the inclusion of part or the whole of your parish into the Neighbourhood Area named below and shown on the attached OS map.

## 6. Name of Neighbourhood Area

Please give the name by which your Neighbourhood Area will be formally known

Abingdon

## 7. Intention of neighbourhood area:

Please indicate which of the following you intend to undertake within your neighbourhood area:

Neighbourhood Development Plan:  YES

Neighbourhood Development Order:

Community Right to Build Order:

## 8. Reasons for considering the area appropriate

Please briefly describe below why you consider this area is appropriate to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area:

We consider it important that the neighbourhood plan area covers the whole town in order that the community's needs and aspirations are planned in an holistic and comprehensive manner and the plan can be most effective.

## 9. Previous applications

Has this relevant body previously submitted an application to designate a neighbourhood area, which has not yet been determined?

Yes

No  NO

## 10. Withdrawal of previous application

If you answered 'yes' to question 9 above, please sign below to withdraw your previous application

I/we hereby wish to withdraw any previous application/s to designate a neighbourhood area made by this relevant body

Name:  Date:

Signature:

## 11. Declaration

I/we hereby apply to designate a Neighbourhood Area as described on this form and the accompanying plan.

Name:  Date:

Signature:

## Please return the form to:

**Vale of White Horse District Council**

135 Eastern Avenue

Milton, Milton Park, OX144SB

[planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk)

or

**South Oxfordshire District Council**

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Publications of applications to the Council's website.

Please note, as required under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, a copy of this form and accompanying information will be published on the Council's website. However, all personal information, with the exception of the name and address of the main contacts, will be redacted from the website. The complete form will be available to view in the council offices. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Planning Policy Team.



# ABINGDON-ON-THAMES TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Nina Merritt

## **Designation of a Neighbourhood Development Plan Area for Abingdon-on-Thames**

Further to internal discussions on the above matter, and in accordance with the Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council's resolution, I write on behalf of Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council to apply formally to designate a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) for Abingdon. In accordance with the requirements, I attach a map of the proposed NDP area which encompasses the whole town council area. The NDP area has been carefully considered and the whole parish area has been included to encourage community cohesion during the development of the NDP, rather than singling out a particular area of the town for special consideration. We feel that aligning the Abingdon NDP area to the boundary of the town will give the best possible plan for the Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council to use to inform future decision making and hence give the best plan for the residents Abingdon. I confirm that, in making this application, Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council is considered the qualifying body for the purposes of neighbourhood planning.

Yours sincerely,

*Nigel Warner*

Nigel Warner (Town Clerk)