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Dear Andrew

Designation of a Neighbourhood Plan Area

Please find attached an application for designated area status by Baildon Town Council for the purposes of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.

Enclosed are:

- 1. Statement to confirm status as a qualifying body
- 2. Map showing area for the proposed neighbourhood plan
- 3. Statement explaining why the area is appropriate and what the plan will address

If you require any additional information then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Appendix 1

Statement to confirm status as a qualifying body

Baildon Town Council is a qualifying or relevant body to apply for designated area status under the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 Schedule 9 Neighbourhood Planning section 61G, paragraph (2)A.

- (2)A "relevant body" means-
- (a) a parish council, or
- (b) an organisation or body which is, or is capable of being, designated as a neighbourhood forum (on the assumption that, for this purpose, the specified area is designated as a neighbourhood area).











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Appendix 2

Map showing area for proposed neighbourhood plan

The attached map shows the Baildon Parish boundary and is taken from Ordnance Survey Maps









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Appendix 3

Statement explaining why the area is appropriate

Baildon Town Council operates within the confines of the Baildon Town Boundaries shown on Appendix 2. The area is considered as being appropriate to be designated as "The Baildon Town Neighbourhood Area" as it is already administered by Baildon Town Council.

The chief aim of Baildon Town Council is to create a Neighbourhood Development Plan based on consultation with key local interest groups, residents and neighbouring parishes to generate evidence which will ensure that the parish develops whilst protecting the area's heritage, maintaining its attractiveness, providing for housing need and building for a variable economic future.

Baildon Town Council recognises the need for some development but improvements in infrastructure need to be commensurate with the additional housing in the Aire Valley.

In applying for designated area status, the essential aims of any resultant Neighbourhood Plan will be to:-

- 1) Preserve the character of Baildon as an attractive semi-rural area retaining a distinct community protecting and cherishing the natural and built environment;
- 2) Meet defined housing needs commensurate with the Local Development Plan and character of the designated area whilst maintaining good shopping, recreation and cultural facilities integrating well with neighbouring communities;
- 3) Enhance employment opportunities for its residents -now and in the future;
- 4) Ensure a flourishing commercial, retail business and economic environment;
- 5) Meet the needs of all residents in the areas of education, health, leisure, recreation, sport and transport including footpaths;
- 6) Maintain and protect the natural environment and availability of green spaces and green belt within the designated town boundaries;
- 7) Maintain on-going dialogue with local organisations, developers, individuals, neighbouring communities and the LPA to ensure that the Local Development Plan criteria are met.
- 8) Include policies which recognise the particular status of those parts of the Town Council's area which either coincides with the Saltaire World Heritage Site Buffer Zone or are in the Baildon Conversation Area.





