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Application for Designation of Arden Neighbourhood Area

Dated – 3 January 2024

Harborough District Council ('The Council') has received an application for designation of a Neighbourhood Area from Arden Neighbourhood Forum (2023 – 2028). Arden Neighbourhood Forum (2023- 2028) has demonstrated that it is capable of meeting the conditions for designation (see section 61F(5) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as applied to Neighbourhood plans by section 38A of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004). Arden Neighbourhood Forum has also explained what steps it has taken and is taking towards meeting the conditions for designation.

In accordance with Part 2 Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 the Council is able to confirm that the organisation making the application is capable of being a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G of the 1990 Act and the application is in compliance with Part 2 Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Copies of the application and plan of the Neighbourhood Area are attached as per part 2 Regulation 6 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Any representations concerning this application should be made by 14 February 2024 that being 6 weeks from the date on which the area application was first published.

These representations can be made in writing to:

**Strategic Planning
Harborough District Council
The Symington Building
Market Harborough
LE16 7AG**

Or by email to:

neighbourhoodplans@harborough.gov.uk

Do Not Remove until 14 February 2024

Application:

Neighbourhood Area Designation for Arden Neighbourhood Forum

As Arden does not have an approved body to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan, the residents of Arden and people who are employed in Arden have formed a Neighbourhood Forum with the name 'Arden Neighbourhood Forum (2023 – 2028)'.

I am writing to inform you that Arden Neighbourhood Forum (2023-2028), as the Qualifying Body, has taken the decision to develop a Neighbourhood Plan and the Forum is therefore applying to be designated as a Neighbourhood Area in accordance with Part 2 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

The area to be covered by the Neighbourhood plan is the ward area of Arden excluding the part of the ward area designated as Gt Bowden Neighborhood Area and excluding the Town Centre Masterplan Area. A map confirming the area to be designated is shown below with the boundary shown in red to satisfy Section 5 91) (a) of the Regulations.

Arden Neighbourhood Area

To satisfy Section 5 (1) (b) of the Regulations it is considered that the Neighbourhood Area detailed above is appropriate to be designated as it is the formal geographical boundary of Arden which wholly contains Arden excluding parts of the ward already designated as neighborhood areas.. The residents of Arden and people who are employed within Arden, value the identity, sense of community within the ward boundary, consider it to be a logical boundary to use for planning purposes and therefore wish to develop a Neighbourhood Plan for the future development of Arden.

Jonathan Fannon

December 13 2023

Chair of Arden Neighbourhood Forum and on behalf of Arden Neighbourhood Forum

