

Mr Daryl Phillips
Joint Chief Executive
Hart District Council
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Dear Daryl,

I am writing both to inform you that Hartley Wintney Parish Council has resolved at a Full Council Meeting on the 4th August 2014 to undertake a Neighbourhood Plan, and formally to submit a request to Hart District Council for the Parish of Hartley Wintney to be designated as the neighbourhood area.

I confirm that Hartley Wintney Parish Council is the relevant body to undertake neighbourhood planning in our area in accordance with Section 61G of the 1990 Act and section 5C of the 2012 Regulations.

The Hartley Wintney Neighbourhood Development Plan boundary will mirror that of the parish as per the attached map. It is felt that the parish boundary provides a suitable boundary for the following reasons:

- Hartley Wintney is a rural village with a wealth of history, surrounded by idyllic countryside and rural hamlets. There is a keenness to maintain the overall character of the parish by establishing guidelines for future sustainable development and conservation in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and the emerging District Local Plan.
- The community has previously come together to develop a Parish Plan and the Neighbourhood Plan will build upon the community spirit that this engendered and the outcomes that have stemmed from this.
- A number of our neighbouring parishes are already producing, or planning to produce, their own plans and we cannot overlap boundaries. It is our intention to engage with all our neighbouring parishes as part of the Neighbourhood Plan.

We have applied for the £7,000 government grant and are seeking assistance from the charity, Towns Alive, which has a great deal of experience in supporting communities in the development of their neighbourhood plans. We are in the process of establishing a steering group comprising local residents and councillors and will be setting up working groups to ensure we have the necessary community engagement.

We will be liaising with neighbouring parish councils as well as the District Council.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Leah Coney
Executive Clerk