



Designation of Neighbourhood Area for Holme-next-the-Sea

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), Section 61G Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Regulations 5 & 6

Holme-next-the-Sea Parish Council applied to the Borough Council on 22/02/16 for the whole of the parish to be designated a neighbourhood area. This would allow the Parish Council to prepare a neighbourhood plan for the area. As required by the regulations, the application was published and advertised. A period of 6 weeks was provided for comments on the application.

The application was advertised:

- On the Borough Council's website
- Posters were produced and made accessible at the borough councils offices in King's Lynn and Hunstanton. The posters were also displayed on Holme-next-the-Sea Parish Council noticeboard and provided to the Parish Council to display in other locations in and around the village.
- Direct notifications were sent to a list of statutory consultees whom had previously expressed an interest, or commented on the Local Plan and to organisations with an interest in the local area.
- Direct notifications were sent to neighbouring county, district and parish councils
- Direct notifications were sent to ward members for the parish.
- Direct notifications were sent to individuals, groups and organisations requested by the Parish Council.

The consultation was open from 7 March 2016 until 18 April 2016. A total of thirteen representations were received. Six representations were received from organisations with an interest in the Local Plan and neighbourhood plans. Five comments in support were received from members of the public and one with additional comments not specifically related to the application. One comment in support was received from a ward member and one comment in support was received from a local business owner.

There were no objections to the proposed neighbourhood area. Most consultees had no specific comment, either providing general advice or stating that they would like the opportunity to comment on the neighbourhood plan, if produced. Historic England provided specific advice on historical assets in the village to help inform the plan making process.

In determining the application, the Borough Council has considered the desirability of designating the whole of the parish as a neighbourhood area, and the desirability of maintaining the existing boundaries of areas already designated as neighbourhood areas. The application was for the whole parish, and there are no existing neighbourhood areas in the vicinity. No reasons were identified why a different area should be designated than that applied for. Therefore the Borough Council decided the whole of the town of Holme-next-the-Sea Parish should be designated a Neighbourhood Area with effect from today.

Executive Director

Date